



Postgraduate Workshop: Getting a Job in Academia and Beyond

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Seminar Room 427, Old Teachers' College, The University of Sydney



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Day One: Applying for Jobs

Time	Session	Details
09.30am	Registration	
09.45am	Session One: Applying for a job in academia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Olivier Krischer <i>China Studies Centre</i>• Dr Natali Pearson <i>Sydney Southeast Asia Centre</i>
11.00am	Morning tea	
11.30am	Session Two: Planning for a non-academic career	<p>Chair: Dr Natali Pearson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Timothy Dean <i>The School of Life</i>• Dr Catherine Dorey <i>Independent advisor</i>• Ms Maria Poulos <i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>• Dr Merriden Varrall <i>KPMG</i>
12.30pm	Lunch	
1.30pm	Session Three: Developing your research statement and teaching philosophy	<p>Chair: Dr Natali Pearson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Rosemary Grey <i>Sydney Law School, USyd</i>
2.30pm	Afternoon tea	
3.00pm	Session Four: Preparing for interview	<p>Chair: Dr Natali Pearson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professor Michele Ford <i>Sydney Southeast Asia Centre</i>• Associate Professor Sonja van Wichelen <i>Department of Sociology and Social Policy, USyd</i>
4.00pm	Session Five: Debrief and wrap-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Natali Pearson <i>Sydney Southeast Asia Centre</i>
4.30pm	End of the day	

Day Two: Preparing for Interview

Time	Session	Details
09.30am	Registration	
09.45am	Session Six: Academic job markets around the world	Chair: Dr Olivier Krischer • Dr Thushara Dibley Sydney Southeast Asia Centre • Dr Petr Matous School of Civil Engineering, USyd • Dr Sophie Webber School of Geosciences, USyd
11.00am	Morning tea	
11.30am	Session Seven: Shortlisting of applicants	Students
12.30pm	Lunch	
1.30pm	Session Eight: Mock interviews and feedback	• Dr Sandra Alday Business School, USyd • Professor Marina Kennerson Faculty of Medicine and Health, USyd • Professor Rita Shackel Sydney Institute of Criminology, USyd
3.00pm	Afternoon tea	
3.30pm	Session Nine: Announcement of successful applicant; wrap-up	• Dr Olivier Krischer China Studies Centre • Dr Natali Pearson Sydney Southeast Asia Centre
4.00pm	End of the day	

Biographies



Dr Sandra Alday

Sandra Alday is a Lecturer in International Business, teaching units in international risk management. Prior to embarking on an academic career, Sandra was a consultant to a wide range of medium- to large-scale companies, specialising in international business development and organisation development. In the area of international business development, her consulting engagements were mainly aimed at informing clients' strategic business expansion efforts in Southeast Asia, and included risk assessments, market attractiveness studies, competitive analyses and business feasibility analyses. In the area of organisation development, Sandra's consulting engagements focused on helping companies design their organisation structure and processes, and put in place human resource management systems aimed at supporting the delivery of overall corporate strategies.



Dr Timothy Dean

Tim Dean is a freelance philosopher, writer and facilitator. He has a PhD in philosophy from the University of New South Wales on the evolution of morality. He is also a journalist and writer, and has been the Science & Technology Editor at The Conversation, and has edited magazines including Cosmos and Australian Life Scientist. In 2015 he was awarded the Australasian Association of Philosophy Media Professionals' Award for his writing on philosophy in the public sphere. He is an Honorary Associate in the Philosophy department at the University of Sydney. He is also resident philosopher at The School of Life Sydney, where he teaches workshops on philosophy and emotional intelligence. He is also lead communicator at the Universal Commons project, which is seeking to reform capitalism to make it more sustainable and just. And he has been philosopher in residence at high schools in New South Wales and Western Australia.

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Dr Thushara Dibley

Thushara Dibley is Deputy Director of the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre. She researches social movements in Southeast Asia, with a particular focus on Indonesia and Timor-Leste. Her recent research projects have focused on the role of NGOs in peace-building in Timor-Leste and Indonesia and on the disability movement in Indonesia. She is the author of *Partnerships, Power and Peacebuilding: NGOs as Agents of Peace in Aceh and Timor-Leste* (2014).



Dr Catherine Dorey

Dr Catherine (Cat) Dorey has been working on fisheries and seafood sustainability for 15 years, primarily with Greenpeace, and in the past year as an Independent Advisor. Cat works with NGOs, industry, governments, and academics to provide up-to-date analysis of current and emerging science and policy development for fisheries management, sustainable & equitable seafood sourcing practices, and most recently fish welfare. Cat is also a regular guest lecturer and public speaker on fisheries and aquaculture issues, including for the Law, Policy and Sustainability Unit at Sydney University Law School. Cat's mission is to draw together the best wisdom from the fields of marine ecology and conservation, permaculture, human rights, and animal rights to bring greater understanding and protection of all life within, and at the edges of, our oceans.

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Professor Michele Ford

Michele Ford is Director of the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre. Her research focuses on Southeast Asian labour movements, labour migration and trade union aid. Michele's work has been supported by a number of Australian Research Council Discovery Project grants related to these and other topics. She has also been involved in extensive consultancy work for the International Labour Organisation, the international labour movement and the Australian Government.



Dr Rosemary Grey

Rosemary Grey is a University of Sydney Postdoctoral Fellow, based in the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre & Sydney Law School. Her postdoctoral project examines gender & international criminal law, with a focus on the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) in Phnom Penh. This project builds her book *Prosecuting Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes at the International Criminal Court*, published by Cambridge University Press in 2019.

Before joining the University of Sydney, she completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Melbourne, and spent time as a visiting scholar at the Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies (University of Leiden) and PluriCourts (University of Oslo).

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Professor Marina Kennerson

Marina Kennerson is a Professor of Neurogenetics/Neurosciences with the ANZAC Research Institute and Sydney Medical School, University of Sydney where she heads the Gene Discovery and Translational Genomics Inherited Peripheral Neuropathies Program. Her team has discovered several genes for motor neuron disorders. Marina enjoys teaching and has run international gene mapping and next generation sequencing courses at Sultan Qaboo University, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, University of Malaya and is the Genetics Unit of Study Co-ordinator at the Brain and Mind Centre. Marina is the Scientific Secretariat of the Asian Oceanic Inherited Neuropathy Consortium (AOINC), a member of the International Charcot-Marie-Tooth and Related Neuropathies Consortium (CMTR) Board and a member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the CMT Foundation.



Dr Olivier Krischer

Olivier Krischer is Deputy Director of the China Studies Centre at the University of Sydney. He is an art historian interested in modern and contemporary China-Japan relations, and networks of art activism across East Asia. Olivier completed his PhD at the University of Tsukuba, Japan, after which he has been a Visiting Fellow in the Institute for Modern History, at Academia Sinica, Taiwan, and a post-doctoral fellow at the Australian Centre on China in the World, ANU. In Japan, Olivier was assistant professor in art history at the University of Tsukuba, and in Australia has lectured and supervised at the University of Sydney, UTS and ANU. He is co-editor of the journal issue 'Asian Art Research in Australia and New Zealand: Past, Present and Future', Australia & New Zealand Journal of Art (Taylor & Francis, 2016), and the book Asia through Art and Anthropology (Bloomsbury, 2013). He has also worked as managing editor of the contemporary Asian art periodical ArtAsiaPacific in Hong Kong.

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Dr Petr Matous

Petr Matous is a senior lecturer in the University of Sydney's School of Civil Engineering, and the Associate Dean for Indigenous Strategy and Services in the Faculty of Engineering. He is also an active member of the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre's Executive Committee. His research investigates how social networks affect ordinary people's access to resources, such as clean drinking water in Manila. Petr graduated with a PhD from the University of Tokyo in 2007, and received the University of Tokyo's President Award.



Dr Natali Pearson

Natali Pearson is Curriculum Coordinator at the Sydney Southeast Asia Centre. Natali is co-editor of *Perspectives on the Past* at *New Mandala* and a regular contributor to *The Conversation*. She received her PhD in Museum and Heritage Studies from the University of Sydney, and also holds a Master of Museum Studies, a Master of Arts (Strategy and Policy) and a Bachelor of Arts (Asian Studies) in History and Indonesian Studies. She has worked at the Asia Society's galleries in New York and Hong Kong, and as a consultant to the Asia Society Arts & Museum Summit. She is an alumni of the Australian Consortium for In-Country Indonesian Studies and the Asialink Leaders Program. Her research focuses on the protection, management and interpretation of underwater cultural heritage in Southeast Asia.

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Ms Maria Poulos

Maria Poulos is currently External Relations Officer at the NSW State Office of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. She was most recently Acting Director at DFAT's Diplomatic Academy and has served in policy and senior advisory roles in the Crisis Management and International Legal and Security Divisions of DFAT. She has served overseas as Charge d'Affaires in Mauritius, First Secretary to France and Sri Lanka, with short term postings to Vietnam, Philippines and India.



Professor Rita Shackel

Rita is a graduate of the University of Sydney holding undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications in law, science, psychology and education. Her academic awards include the 'Jones Memorial University Medal' for most outstanding academic and professional record. She has worked as a lawyer, advocate, policy adviser, researcher, academic and consultant in a range of settings including in academe, government and in non-governmental organisations. She has served on numerous government, institutional and professional committees, and delivered professional and capacity building training and continuing education programs to legal practitioners, judicial officers, police, and health and welfare professionals nationally and internationally.

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Dr Merriden Varrall

Merriden Varrall is Director of the Australia Geopolitics Hub at KPMG. From 2014- 2018, Merriden was Director of the Lowy Institute's East Asia Program. She was also the Assistant Country Director and Senior Policy Advisor at United Nations Development Programme, China, where she worked on China's role in international development cooperation policy. Prior to that she worked for the Australian Government Treasury and the Department of Family and Community Services. Merriden spent almost eight years living and working in China, including lecturing in foreign policy at the China Foreign Affairs University and conducting doctoral research. She has a PhD in Chinese foreign policy from Macquarie University and the Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, as well as an MA in International Affairs from the Australian National University, and a BA in International Studies at the University of Technology Sydney.



Dr Sophie Webber

Dr Sophie Webber is a Lecturer in the School of Geosciences at the University of Sydney. Sophie is an environmental and economic geographer who studies and teaches about the politics and economies of climate change adaptation and resilience in the Asia-Pacific region. Within this broad focus, Sophie is currently working on two research projects: the first about the impacts, effectiveness and manifestations of the globalising discourses and practices of urban resilience using the case study of Jakarta, and the second about attempts to commercialised and marketise climate change science to encourage adaptive policy making in the Pacific region.

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Associate Professor Sonja van Wichelen

Sonja van Wichelen received her PhD in Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Amsterdam (2007) and held positions in the Center for Cultural Sociology at Yale University (2007-2009), the Pembroke Center at Brown University (2009-2010), and the Institute for Culture and Society at the University of Western Sydney (2010-2014) before joining Sydney University in 2015.

Sonja van Wichelen is Associate Professor with the Department of Sociology and Social Policy at the University of Sydney and Director of the Biopolitics of Science Research Network. Her research broadly engages with the body, law, and science in the age of globalization. She is the author of *Legitimizing Life: Adoption in the Age of Globalization and Biotechnology* (Rutgers University Press, 2018) and *Religion, Gender and Politics in Indonesia: Disputing the Muslim Body* (Routledge, 2010).




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