

# PostGrad Newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> May 2008

Hi everyone,

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1. Postgrad Lunch/UCTL information session (and Student Forum):

Just a reminder that the information session begins at 11.45am on Tuesday (3 June), so please aim to be seated by this time. Prof. Steve Weaver, the Postgraduate Dean, will briefly introduce himself and talk about his role, and this will be followed by the UCTL talk at 12pm. There will be an opportunity for questions/discussion after the talk, and this will be followed by lunch. I have requested that the vegetarian food is labelled, so hopefully you'll be able to identify it easily! The venue is the Study Room (upstairs, UCSA Building).

We plan to commence the Student Forum At 1:45pm (same venue) and all interested students are welcome to stay and participate. We look forward to hearing your views on issues of interest to postgrad students. This could include such things as: resources, facilities, IT resources and courses, quality of supervision - or anything else that contributes to a healthy and productive postgrad environment.

2. Postgrads not on email list:

I understand that not all postgrads are receiving this email, and so are not being kept up to date with what's available. I have followed this up with IT, but in the meantime, if you are talking with other postgrads and hear they haven't received the newsletter, please refer them to the postgrad page on the UCSA website: <http://www.ucsa.org.nz/18.html>  
All the newsletters for the year are available there.

3. Study in France:

If you've ever considered studying in France the attached info about a presentation on study opportunities in France may be of interest. The presentation is at 1pm, Friday 30 May - Engineering E16 lecture theatre. A representative from the Embassy of France is visiting to present information on university study in France and the Hexagone scholarships scheme.

The information will be of interest to all students considering study in France, and specific material will be included on French engineering schools. The Scholarships Office has printed material available on the French institutions and scholarship opportunities.

4. Correction - Provision of Resources Policy Support for PhD Students:

If you search for the PhD Resources policy with a colon in the title as I advised in the last newsletter, the policy won't be found - my apologies for this. The search option will only bring up the correct result if you search for the policy without a colon, that is: "Provision of Resources Policy Support for PhD Students".

4. "Quick Guide" - PhD Regulations:

Many of you will have received notification of the new PhD regulations. Attached is the Quick Guide which explains the key changes. If you first enrolled pre-Dec 2007, you get to choose the regulations you prefer.

Also, for all PhD information you can email the PhD Coordinator, Sonia-Ingrid Marshall at: [sonia-ingrid.marshall@canterbury.ac.nz](mailto:sonia-ingrid.marshall@canterbury.ac.nz) or the PhD Administrator, Samantha Eason at: [samantha.eason@canterbury.ac.nz](mailto:samantha.eason@canterbury.ac.nz)

Or just drop in to the Postgraduate Office, Level 3 Registry, they're a well informed team and always ready to help.

That's all for now. For everyone coming to the UCTL talk, I'll see you on Tuesday, and I wish everyone an enjoyable Queen's Birthday Weekend!

Cheers,  
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