

Publishing, Funding and Networking: Strategies for PhD Candidates and Early Career Researchers

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So you have a PhD or working towards one, now what?

► Types of academic work in Australia

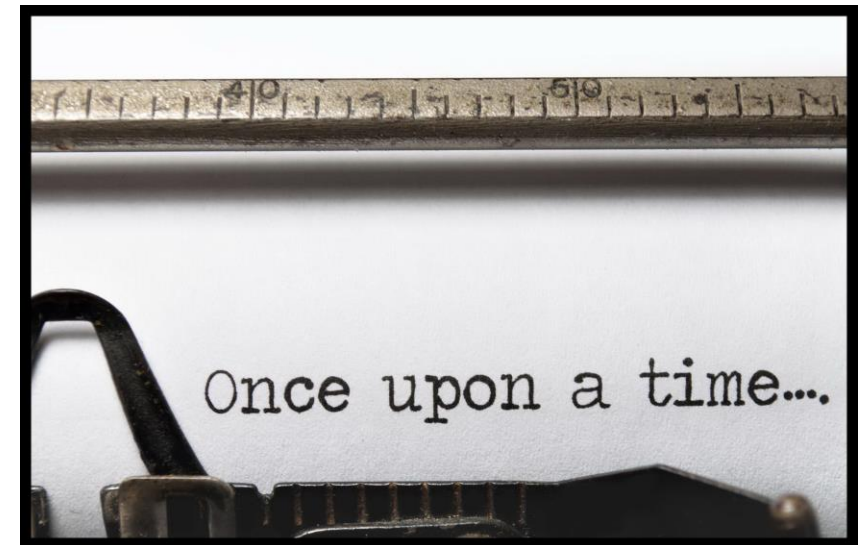
1. Teaching & Research (otherwise known as the 'traditional' T&R position can be contract and/or ongoing)
2. Teaching only (teaching-track, teaching intensive)
3. Research only – often if not always, contract positions. Quite problematic because of precarity.

How about working overseas? E.g. Asian Research Institute, National University of Singapore (Asian Migrations Cluster). <https://ari.nus.edu.sg/>



Publishing

- ▶ Publish or Perish: why we publish
- ▶ Current publishing environment – legit and predatory (don't entertain any unsolicited emails referring to past work) / vanity press. All about peer review.
- ▶ Open access – some high impact also want \$\$
- ▶ Should I publish only in high impact outlets?
- ▶ That first book – and then what?
- ▶ Publications assist in getting grants (track record)



Funding

- ▶ Might need funding to conduct research; must move on from PhD

- ▶ **Internal grants**

Department, School, Institution

- ▶ **External grants (extremely competitive)**

- Australian Research Council (ARC): Discovery, DECRA, Linkage

Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA)

- National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)
- Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Grants (e.g. Australia-China Council, Australia-ASEAN Council)
- Victoria: International Student Welfare Grants from Study Melbourne (5 to 75k)
- Australian International Education: Enabling Growth and Innovation Program (over \$3 mil worth of grants across the board)



Australian Government

Australian Research Council

Funding

Postdocs

- ▶ e.g. VC Postdocs; postdoc working on someone else's project

What are they and what do they give you?

After this, then what?



Postdoc

Networking

- ▶ What is networking?
- ▶ Collegiality and why this is so very important
- ▶ Being sensible on social media – what not to do and why this matters



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