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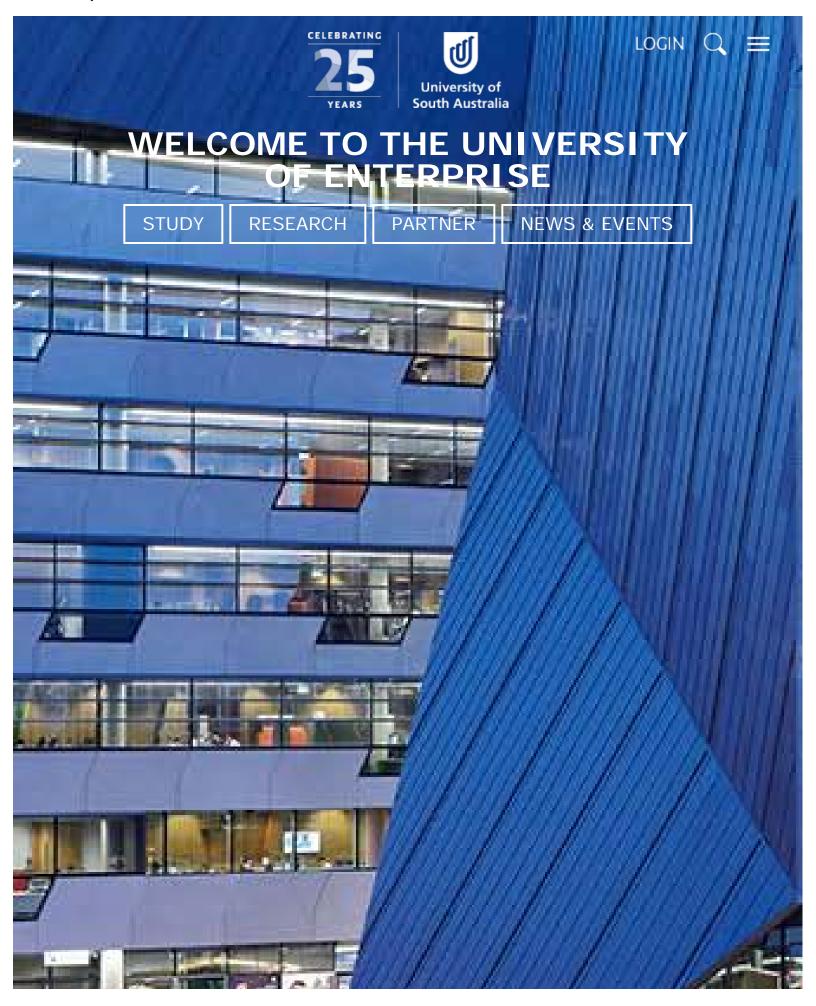
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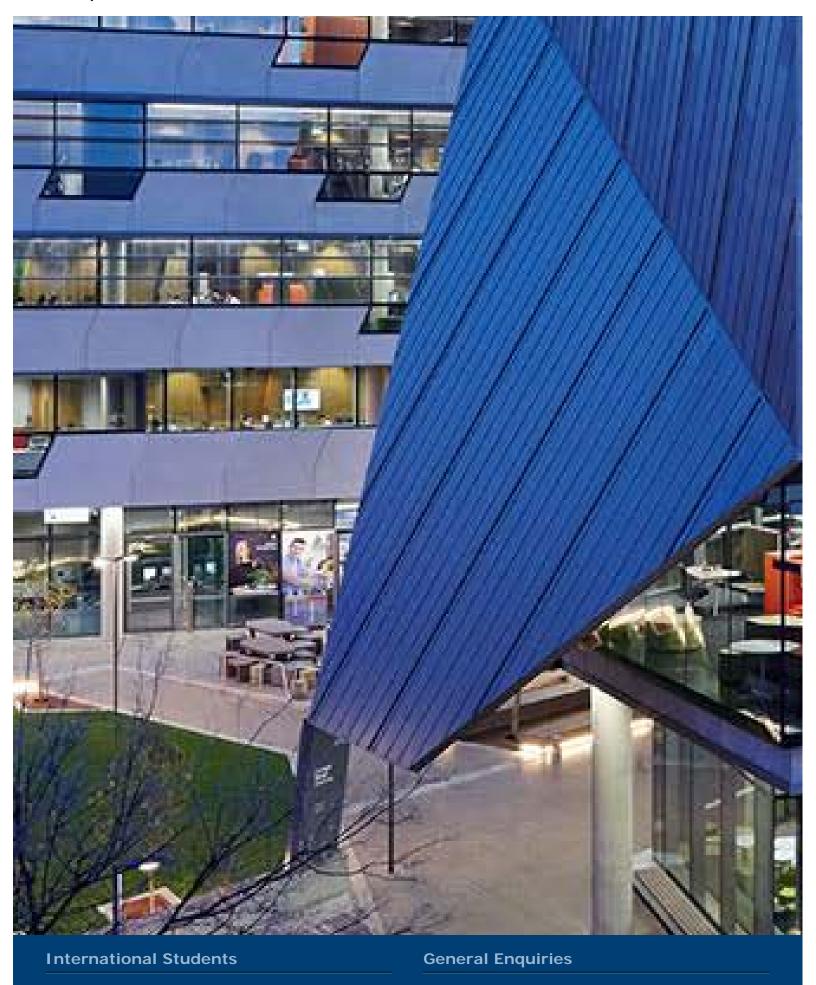
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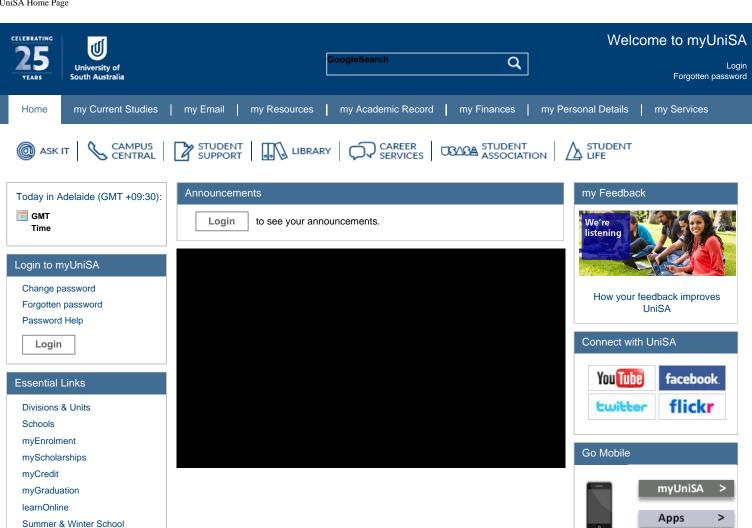
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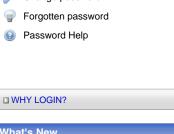




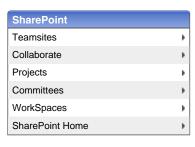
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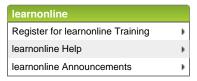














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## Space explorers descend on Adelaide

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by Rosanna Galvin



European Space Agency (ESA) astronaut Paolo Nespoli, STS-120 mission specialist, floats through an airlock hatch on the International Space Station while Space Shuttle Discovery is docked with the station.

From the future of space exploration to whether you can eat ice cream in space, this month international astronauts gave audiences in Adelaide a rare insight into life beyond Earth.

Adelaide's first and only person in space, Andy Thomas, and internationally renowned Italian astronaut Paolo Nespoli (pictured above), gave a public lecture at the University of South Australia as part of the Southern Hemisphere Summer Space Program (SHSSP).

A collaboration between the International Space University and UniSA, SHSSP runs for five weeks and brings together 35 students from nine countries as well as 44 staff and lecturers from 11 countries.

The international astronaut duo of Nespoli and Thomas shared with a rapt audience what it's really like to live and work in space.

"From space, you get a great sense of the massive human influence on earth – so much human activity is visible," Thomas told the audience.

Meanwhile, Nespoli admitted that they don't actually get to eat ice cream but "we did have a type of yoghurt".

Nespoli undertook his first mission to space in 2007 and more recently spent nearly six months living on

board the International Space Station in 2010 and 2011.

Nespoli's story, from growing up in a small village in Italy to finally going to space for the first time aged 50, is one about following your passion no matter what path it takes you on.

"When you're growing up, you don't know much about your capabilities, what you could do and what is possible. It's very difficult to pick a career, to pick a dream, to pick something," Nespoli said.

"You should really look into yourself and understand what makes you tick. Once you figure out what your passion is, then you need to go after it because in the end, if you end up doing something with passion, whatever it is, you are likely to be successful.

"My own career path was not straightforward, the path that I took was really, really contorted. But I eventually flew in space when I was 50."

Renowned astronomer and expert on astrobiology, Dr Charley Lineweaver, will also deliver a public lecture this week. He will explore the origin and ultimate destination of the universe by addressing the fundamental questions of life: Where did we as a species come from and what is our fate?

To complete the public lecture program, experts from academia and industry will outline the latest scientific and technological developments in space mining on January 30.

For more information or to register for the two remaining public lectures, go to http://unisa.edu.au/spaceprogram.

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# Preparing for the uni year: how to make Back to story index the most of online education

by Katrina Phelps



As lecturers and students alike prepare for the new university year, UniSA's own recipient of an Australian Award for Teaching Excellence encourages other teachers to provide more personal support to students, particularly external students.

Dr Jackie O'Flaherty (pictured above – middle) from the School of Pharmacy and Medical Sciences was one of only 13 lecturers across Australia to be recognised as the best in the country, while David Morris, UniSA Senior Lecturer in the School of Art, Architecture and Design, was one of only nine recipients of an Award for Programs that Enhance Learning.

Dr O'Flaherty coordinates two Bioscience subjects for first year nursing and midwifery students, and delivers the external program.

Her 2013 Award for Teaching Excellence recognised her work in fostering engagement for online learners, particularly for students studying at a distance.

"Because so many students have become interested in taking distance classes, it has become important to understand the unique demands of learning at a distance for educators, students and advisors," Dr O'Flaherty said.

"There is a real concern that external students who study



Dr O'Flaherty has introduced virtual classrooms for her Co'Flaherty has introduced virtual classrooms for her from UniSA, Jackie O'Flaherty and David Morris.

at a distance are not receiving an equivalent education as their face-to-face, on-campus counterparts. So my passion has been to try to address this inequity."

external students that are run at times that suit the students. Since the virtual classrooms have been running, the attrition rate has dropped while the pass rate for practical exams has increased significantly.

"It may seem impersonal not meeting your teacher in real life but distance learning students can now have even more support than on-campus students," she said. "Being part of an online community when studying at a distance is very important.

"Being able to engage with a teacher and peers in real time, using virtual classrooms, reduces the sense of isolation and anxiety that is often experienced studying in an external and online environment. It seems students want a sense of belonging and they are now getting this with the virtual classrooms.

"My research has shown that contact between educator and student is paramount for effective learning. The distance students may be out in the ether but they are not isolated and they are not feeling that anxiety."

Dr O'Flaherty has secured a grant to explore in 2014 what distance learners felt worked well for them, and what important support they need to be successful online learners.

Fellow 2013 Learning and Teaching Australian Awards recipient David Morris was recognised for his work over the past 20 years to enhance architecture and design education through experiential learning for students of the Design and Construction program.

Senator Scott Ryan, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, congratulated all the award recipients at a ceremony in Canberra late last year.

"The Australian Awards for University Teaching are a nationally recognised marker of esteem," Senator Ryan said.

"The outstanding university teachers and programs deserved to be recognised and celebrated for their exceptional work.

"This year's recipients have worked to engage students in active learning and relate their curriculum to the world in which we live."

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#### From the Vice Chancellor





When I first looked at joining UniSA from a hemisphere away, I saw a university with amazing potential to be unlocked, an identity which could be strengthened and whose path towards differentiated excellence could be readily charted. As I celebrate my first anniversary at UniSA I have a report card to mark.

The job – and the University - exceed my expectations on every level.

One of the major highlights of the year for me was Unijam and the conversation that we all had together that provided the impetus for the changes we're now making.

The conversation at Unijam, and the strategic plan that developed from it, showed how confident and expansive and ready to take on new opportunities this institution and its people are. It showed us as young and vibrant with the intellectual firepower - and the ability to use it - to create a university that gets things done.

Crossing the Horizon was the blueprint we produced to announce the way we wanted to grow for the next five years. We are positioning ourselves as the University of Enterprise with a focus on end-user needs. Our ambition is to provide the best education we can to our students, to conduct the most innovative and real-world connected research, and to meet the high expectations that society has of our sector, which includes equity and social engagement. We intend being a globally visible university with reach and leverage, whose

research is informed, leading-edge and relevant and whose graduates are the new professionals driving the local and international economy with their skills, capabilites and innovation potential.

It's a fine ambition - and one that is already starting to take hold.

Even though we're only at the beginning of the cycle, here as we kick off our transition year, we have begun the search for a new senior leader for student engagement and equity. The person in this role will implement the University's first Reconciliation Action Plan, deliver our expansive regional footprint, deliver the Disability Action Plan, develop new pathway programs to ensure our equity statement is not just words, and enhance the student experience across the University.

We are also developing our research concentrations and we're beginning to build an increasing number of strong working partnerships with other organisations.

Just before Christmas we formalised the alliance between the University and the Centre for Cancer Biology. That alliance sees world-class researchers joining UniSA as a hub of cancer research excellence with an outstanding record for basic and applied research in the field of cancer biology, notably leukaemia, breast, colon, melanoma and brain cancer. Out of this alliance will come patient-focused discoveries and great opportunity for cross-disciplinary collaborations with other UniSA research strengths, particularly in tissue engineering and pharmaceutical science.

We're in danger of becoming the go-to university for problem solving, and that's a great place to be.

Even though we are making the initial steps to become Australia's University of Enterprise, the university we plan to be by 2018, we've just closed the first chapter in this new story of the University of South Australia. We know what we want to do, and how we want to do it; now as we start work in 2014, we will begin to deliver it.

When we first talked about the changes we needed to make to the way we work as a university, one senior staff member - who may yet remain nameless - suggested it would be like trying to change a car tyre while the car was still moving. Challenging? Of course. Impossible? Not for this institution.

Professor David Lloyd Vice Chancellor and President

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UniSA is proud to be the first education partner for the WOMADelaide Planet Talks program in 2014.

In six thought-provoking panel discussions over three days, a range of ideas and topics relating to the environment and sustainability will be explored by local, national and international speakers.

UniSA is also pleased to announce that staff, students and alumni will receive up to 20 per cent discount on festival tickets. For staff and alumni to claim their discount, tickets must be purchased by February 10 by filling out the relevant form found on our WOMADelaide website, while students can purchase them online.



WOMADelaide is being held from March 7-10 at Botanic Park.

#### New door opens for manufacturing in SA

A \$59 million Australian Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) for Cell Therapy Manufacturing opened at UniSA's Mawson Lakes campus in December, marking the start of something big for biotechnology in the state.

Under one roof, the CRC will bring together the spectrum of skills and facilities required to turn a promising cell into a viable cell therapy.

Managing Director for the CRC Dr Sherry Kothari says the Centre holds enormous promise for the state and the nation in leading research and development into new materials-based manufacturing to increase the



affordability, accessibility and efficacy of the kinds of cell therapies vital to battling big health challenges such as diabetes.

"We are aiming to develop ways to deliver cell therapies for a range of previously incurable or intractable diseases and in the CRC we have top research and development partners," Dr Kothari says.

She says the CRC partners include hospitals, manufacturers, other research providers, industry and charities from Australia and around the world.

To read more about the Centre, see the University's media release about the opening.

#### Research Australia Board welcomes Professor Head

Research Australia has welcomed Professor Richard Head, Deputy Vice Chancellor: Research and Innovation as one of its new Directors.

Research Australia is the nation's largest alliance of members and supporters working to make health and medical research a higher priority in Australia. Independent of government, Research Australia's activities are funded by its partners, donors and supporters from leading research organisations, academic institutions, philanthropy, community special interest groups, peak industry bodies, biotechnology, medical technology and pharmaceutical companies, small businesses and corporate Australia.



Professor Head joins a diverse Board which is representative of the broad membership base of Research Australia. Representatives on the Board are from across the country, from both industry and academia, and come from a number of different areas across the health and medical research sector, as well consumer representation.

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#### **UniSA's tribute to Nelson Mandela**

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by Rosanna Galvin



People from around the world have mourned the loss of 20th century champion of social justice, Nelson Mandela (pictured above), who passed away last month.

Closer to home, UniSA's Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre has set up a memory book in Mandela's honour, giving the South Australian community a chance to record their appreciation of Mandela's life and his outstanding contribution to reconciliation, social justice and peace.

Mandela was made an Honorary Doctor of UniSA in 1998 at a special ceremony at Fort Hare University. In 2001, his close relationship with former Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke also saw Mandela accept an invitation to become International Patron of the Hawke Centre.

Outgoing director of the Hawke Centre, Elizabeth Ho, said it had been a privilege for the Centre to have the patronage of one of history's most remarkable figures.

"We were deeply saddened by the loss of Nelson Mandela and have extended our sympathies to Mandela's family, and to the people of South Africa," Ho said.

"He was deeply committed to education and he linked it closely to empowerment and equality for the oppressed. His example will continue to inspire the Centre to carry forth his legacy in our program of educational engagement with the public."

The Mandela memory book was open for several weeks in December, and will be available to sign again in March when students are back on campus, giving students and others the opportunity to record their

personal tributes. The book will be open from March 3 to 24 at the Hawke Centre, in the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery at UniSA's City West campus (55 North Terrace).

A copy will then be sent to the Nelson Mandela Foundation in South Africa as a token of esteem from the Hawke Centre, and from all those who have recorded their tributes, while the original will be held by the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Library.

Mandela will continue to be honoured in the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery through the Mandela Wall, a major feature of the space, and also remembered in the UniSA Nelson Mandela Lecture in the Hawke Centre's annual program of events.

*UniSA News* has a copy of *Long Walk to Freedom* by Nelson Mandela to give away to one lucky reader. To be in the running, send your answer to the below question to unisa-news@unisa.edu.au by January 31, 2014.

Q. In what year was Mandela made an Honorary Doctor of UniSA?

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#### **New Student Ombud**

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by Katrina Phelps



A lecturer and researcher who has more than 30 years' experience working with students has taken up the role of UniSA's Student Ombud.

Dr Geoff Page (pictured above), who was a Program Director of the School of Commerce up to the end of 2013, says he is looking forward to his new role as Student Ombud.

The role of the Student Ombud is to ensure that all students receive fair and equitable treatment within UniSA. The Student Ombud is seen as a last resort when all else has failed in trying to resolve a dispute within the University.

"I've always had an interest in equity and students who might otherwise fall through the gaps and not get the support they need," Dr Page said.

"The gain of this role is that it gives me an opportunity to address some of those issues."

Even as a university student himself, Dr Page recalls being an activist in terms of equity; fighting for a friend in need who was in danger of being kicked out of university, and campaigning to student administration to be tougher on student cheating.

In announcing the appointment, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, Professor Allan Evans, said Dr Page has a deep personal commitment to equity and fairness, and that he brings considerable breadth and depth of experience from his extensive career at UniSA.

See the Student Ombud office website for more information.

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## Medicine dream begins





Three students who completed UniSA's Bachelor of Medical Science degree last year are about to embark on the next stage of their career journey by studying medicine in 2014.

The Bachelor of Medical Science exposes students to the broad range of disciplines central to understanding human health and disease. Through a partnership with the Australian National University (ANU), the program also gives students an opportunity to study part of their degree at the ANU in Canberra.

Aniket Mehendale has been a UniSA student in the joint degree with ANU, and has accepted a place in ANU's graduate entry Medicine program in 2014.

"I really enjoyed studying Medical Science through UniSA and it really opened up opportunities for me," Aniket says.

"I don't know what (medical field) I want to specialise in yet; for now I am just excited at being in medical school and looking forward to starting the next phase of my life."

Fellow Medical Science students Cristina Galvan and Viera Stanekova (pictured above), will study medicine at Flinders University in Adelaide and Darwin respectively.

Medical Science program director Associate Professor Sandra Orgeig says she is delighted for the three students who are going to be studying medicine.

She says other Medical Science students are completing an Honours year or going on to postgraduate options like physiotherapy, occupational therapy and dietetics, while some students will go straight into work in areas like medical research and the biotechnology industry.

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# UniSA staff join in cycling tour as professionals hit Adelaide

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by Rachel Broadley



The Santos Tour Down Under has hit the streets of Adelaide and beyond this week, as Team UniSA-Australia switches into gear with a new intake of up-and-coming cyclists.

But it isn't only the professionals who are hitting the tracks, as a band of nearly 90 amateur cyclists take part in the Bupa Challenge Tour on Friday January 24 under the banner of Team UniSA.

Among them is UniSA staff member Jossalyn Murphy (pictured above), who was one of three members of staff to win special training testing with UniSA's Professor of Exercise Science Kevin Norton at the new high-performance laboratory at the City East campus, to help her prepare for the gruelling ride ahead.

Murphy, who works as a Financial Services Support Officer in the University's finance department, says the training testing has given her useful insight into her fitness and training regime.

"This is the second time I've taken part in the Bupa Challenge; last time I rode the 35km route, but this year

I'll be tackling 75km," she says. "I'm a regular cyclist and have been cycling for the past two years but I also used to race BMX when I was growing up.

"The training testing was really interesting. The test I did focused on strength and general fitness for my age.

"We did nine minutes on the bike with different goals to set my heart-rate at for each block of three minutes. Professor Norton said I had to try to keep it constant for three minutes at a time. It was good, I didn't feel too puffed and my fitness was better than I thought it would be.

"I was happy with the feedback I got. My fitness age was lower than my actual age which is good to know!"

Prof Norton says the tests offered at the new lab varied from lactate threshold testing, VO2max tests and measures of Health and Performance Ages.

"The tests assess fitness in different ways, but all are useful for tailoring training," Prof Norton says.

"The lactate threshold test involves riding for about 30 minutes where every four minutes the power increases and a sample of blood is taken and analysed for blood lactate concentration.

"Normally lactic acid concentration in the blood is quite low, but as the intensity of the exercise increases the body relies more and more on anaerobic energy supply to power the workload which in turn increases the production of lactic acid. The point at which the blood lactate concentration accelerates is an important marker for aerobic athletes and can be used to predict performances and also provides a benchmark value for future comparison, to see if training improvements have occurred.

"The VO2max test is a test of maximal aerobic power, more commonly known as the highest level of oxygen that can be consumed by the body during very intense activity.

"Oxygen goes from the atmosphere through the lungs, circulatory system, into the muscles and finally into the mitochondria in the muscle cells where it is used in the generation of chemicals to produce power during exercise. The higher the VO2max value the fitter the athlete.

"Based on the power output at which the lactate threshold occurs, training can be tailored to specific speeds or power levels for the athlete. For example, if a threshold occurs at 200 Watts then specific training sessions can be scheduled for some interval-type training at powers above this level or recovery sessions below this level."

While Murphy found the training testing useful, she insists people who are not regular cyclists should not be put off riding in the Challenge next year.

"If you're thinking about taking part next year I would definitely recommend it," she says. "It's a great day out and it doesn't matter what your fitness level is because of the different distances. As long as you can ride a bike you'll be fine!"

To see photos from the Challenge Tour see UniSA's Flickr page after Friday.

And to keep updated on the professional cyclists as Team UniSA-Australia progresses throughout the Tour, search for #TeamUniSA on Twitter. Written and video race reports will also be uploaded on the Team UniSA-Australia Supporter's Club website daily.



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## Awards recognise film and talk as paths Back to story index to understanding



A film-maker from Hobart has been awarded the individual category win in the 2013 Awards for Muslim and non-Muslim Understanding.

In her film Mary meets Mohammad, Heather Kirkpatrick (pictured above), sensitively debunks myths and speculation about asylum seekers and Muslims which, fed by the politics of the day, have become entrenched in Australia.

The Awards for Muslim and non-Muslim Understanding were established by UniSA's International Centre for Muslim and non-Muslim Understanding and the Australia Day Council to highlight the efforts of people around the nation who are contributing to social harmony and community cohesion.

Director of the International Centre for Muslim and non-Muslim Understanding and University of South Australia Pro Vice Chancellor for Education, Arts and Social Sciences, Professor Pal Ahluwalia says the dedication and passion for understanding showcased in Kirkpatrick's work is remarkable.

He says equally inspiring is the winner of the award in the organisation category - the Muslim Women's Association of South Australia.

Established in 1993, the Association has been working to improve understanding between Muslim and non-Muslim communities for 20 years.

Outstanding programs run by the Association include the You Will Achieve program, a special speaking circuit of Adelaide schools. The program enlists young professional Muslims to speak to Muslim and nonMuslim students in a bid to build understanding and inspire achievement.

This is the second year the awards have been held. The inaugural awards in 2012 saw AFL player Bachar Houli recognised for his work with the AFL as a multicultural ambassador by winning the individual award.

The 2012 organisation award went to the Exchange Community Centre near the Brisbane CBD for responding to the growing representation of Muslim people in the neighbourhood by developing services and programs that encourage community engagement, promote health and well-being and reduce social isolation.

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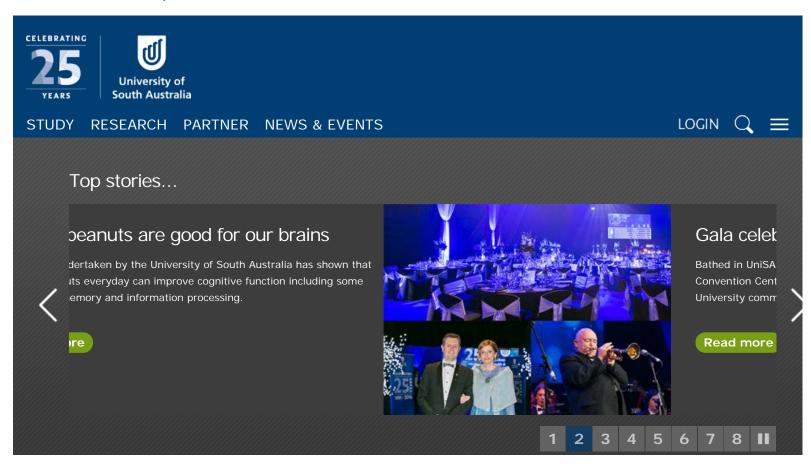
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## Food for thought

by Rachel Broadley

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A Kenyan food program designed to keep poverty-stricken children in school could be a model for expansion to other schools thanks to its 22-year-old founder, a UniSA Bachelor of Nutrition and Food Sciences graduate.

Program founder Ann Njiru (pictured above), has just returned home to Kenya and says when she came to university she had a clear goal in mind: to do something to benefit her community in the long term.

Free state education has been available to all children in Kenva since 2002, but Ann savs many of the poorest children are still not attending regularly and often leave at lunchtime to work to earn money for food.

Ann's program, Food for Education, provides 40 children aged 8 to 13 with healthy, seasonal foods at lunchtime on school days, to help keep them in school and improve their education prospects.

Ann says the program has grown since its inception two years ago.

"We have grown from 25 to 40 kids over the past two years, and now we have started up a pig farm to generate money to buy food for kids. We've been able to raise a bit of money from the pig farm, so we started a kitchen garden," she says.

"I'm only 22 and have no assets but have had support from my family and my community. We are using some

land of my grandmother's for the pig farm and the local church has given us some land for the kitchen garden.

"We have also organised mentorships for the children, provided by local university students.

"We have seen an improvement in the children's attendance and performance at school.

"The challenge has been getting the kids to high school. All our kids will come to school because they know there is a meal at lunchtime. Our agenda is to feed their bellies but we want them to go to high school and this has improved as well."

Employing two cooks, the Food for Education program provides food structured upon seasons, with plenty of vegetables and legumes in every meal to provide protein, and fish when possible.

Ann says her degree has been instrumental in giving her an understanding of how to tailor to nutritional needs.

"Since graduating, I have returned to Kenya and plan to study for a Master's in Public Health. I am interested in policy and how research can shape how we can deliver health in Africa," Ann says. "We are seeing traditionally Western health problems such as diabetes becoming more prevalent as well as malnutrition.

"After my Master's, I hope to be able to work full-time in Food for Education; I am the only one in my area doing that kind of work, and we have had a couple of requests from other local schools who would like to be involved in the program.

"When I started Food for Education I was 20, and I never thought I could contribute anything like that. It has been really encouraging to see other young people come through to help as mentors. We don't have to wait for anyone else to come and solve our problems.

"At the moment, I am providing a model which I hope will be replicated formally by the government – that would be my dream."

Program Director of Nutrition and Food Sciences at UniSA, Dr Miguel De Barros Lopes says he was delighted to hear about Ann's Food for Education program.

"Ann has a real appreciation of the importance of family, community and culture to food and nutrition," he says. "She has a global view on health and a real interest in strategies of sustainability and food security, and I wish her all the best with this exciting venture."

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# Chinese Government presents award to Back to story index local student

by Katrina Phelps



A distinguished student leader award presented by the Chinese Government at the end of last year was awarded to a UniSA PhD student who has a passion for connecting Chinese students.

Zhengnan Shan (pictured above) from the School of Pharmacy and Medical Sciences was awarded a 'Distinguished Student Leader' award from the Chinese Embassy on behalf of the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China, for setting up a UniSA Chinese Students and Scholars Association.

"I am more than proud to receive this award," Zhengnan said. "Chinese students are the largest group of international students at UniSA, so to organise such a student union is tough work with great responsibility but I do enjoy meeting with various students, listening to their thoughts, and trying to find the best way to promote the association.

"The association has grown from 14 members to 240, and it is expected to be up to more than 500 in 2014."

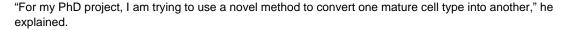
Zhengnan received the award as part of the annual conference of the Chinese Students and Scholars Association. He was among 25 student representatives from Australian universities who were invited to attend. Each student gave a five-minute presentation about their student union experience, after which Chinese Ambassador Zhaoxu Ma presented the award to Zhengnan (pictured).

Zhengnan noted a highlight of forming the association in 2013 was organising a joint event with Adelaide and Flinders universities.

"In June we organised a Chinese student forum which was attended by the Minister-Counsellor of the Chinese Embassy and 200 Chinese students from all three major Adelaide universities," he said.

"This is the first time that a large group of Chinese students from UniSA, Adelaide and Flinders have come together to celebrate a Chinese traditional festival."

Zhengnan, who started his PhD at UniSA in 2013, is researching the generation of functional insulin-producing pancreatic beta cells from human somatic cells.



"Stem cells have the highest capability to develop into nearly all cell types in the human body, but mature cells cannot. A recent study has successfully used a cocktail of several small molecules to reprogram mouse mature cells. The cells treated by the cocktail partially possess the characteristics of stem cells and can be converted into another cell type.

"Thus, we are trying to use human somatic cell (mature cells) to generate a pancreatic beta cell, which is capable of releasing insulin. We hope this method can replace the pancreas transplantation surgery for diabetic patients in the future."

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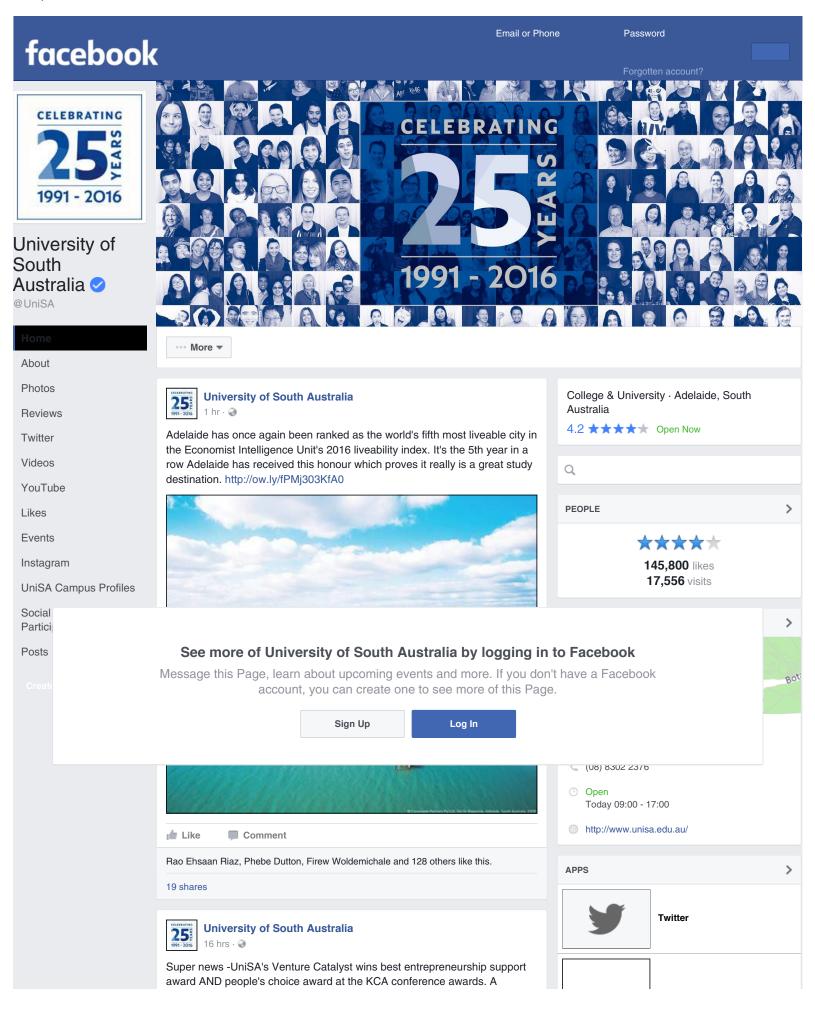
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Hear from USASA Adelaide International Student Representative, Valerie, about how her family celebrate Christmas back home and what 'Unity in Diversity' means to her.

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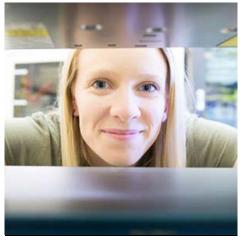
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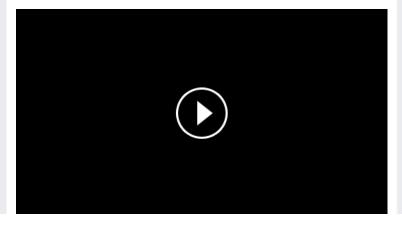


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Science Without Borders student, Pedro, gives us an insight into music and cultural celebration in Northeastern Brazil, and explains what 'Unity in Diversity' means to him.

Multicultural Day is at UniSA City East Campus today from 12pm. Check out the schedule of events at www.unisa.edu.au/multiculturalday **#UniSAMulticulturalDay** 





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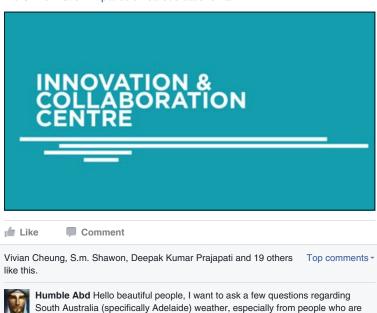
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Hear from UniSA student, Swapnil, about how he celebrates within his culture and what this year's theme ('Unity in Diversity') means to him.

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Here we'll share the stories from some of our students about how they celebrate within their culture and what this year's theme ('Unity in Diversity') means to them.

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Multicultural Day is about celebrating 'Unity in Diversity' and cultures from around the world.

Next week a Multicultural Day celebration will be held on campuses from 12-2pm. The events are an opportunity for all students and staff to share and learn about different cultures and celebrate all things multicultural on campus, with a variety of FREE cultural food, activities, music and dance performances, workshops, and sport demonstrations on display.

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#### Graziella Caprarelli

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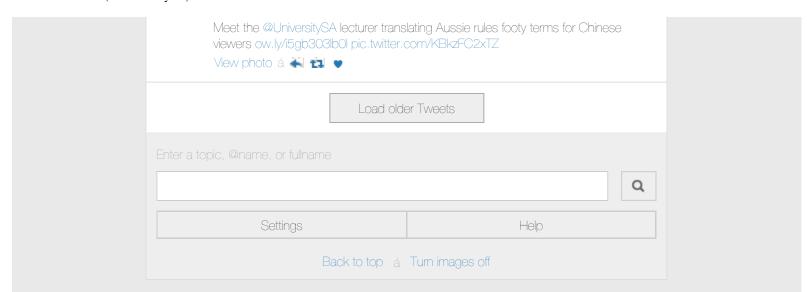
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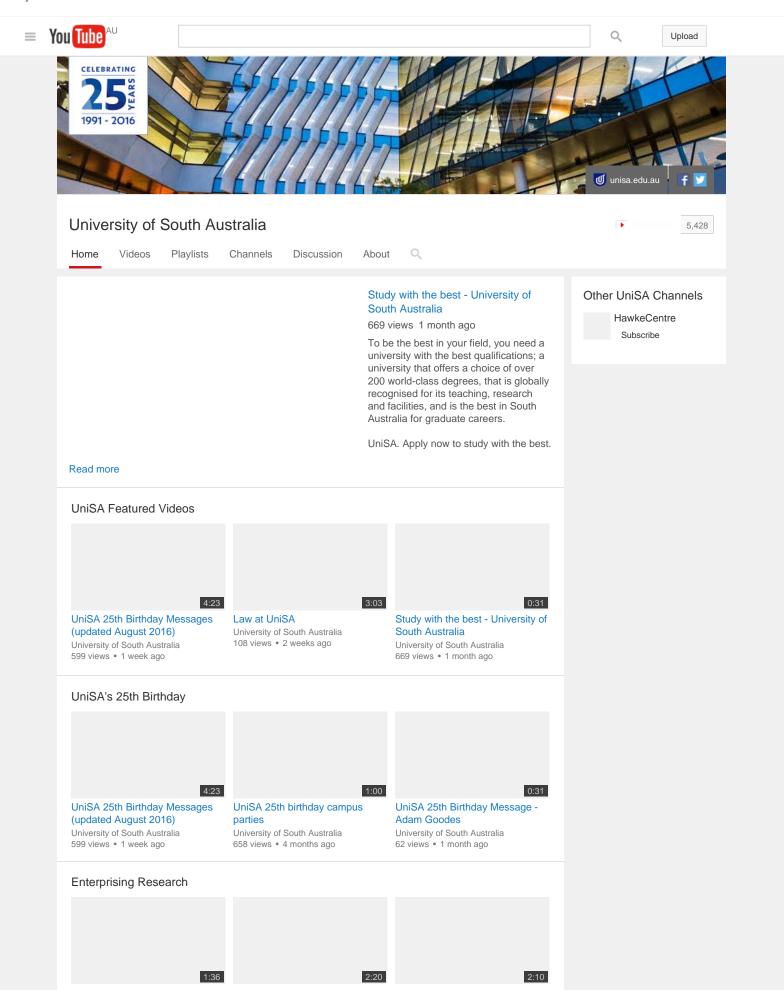


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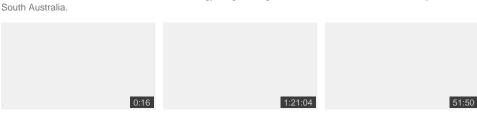
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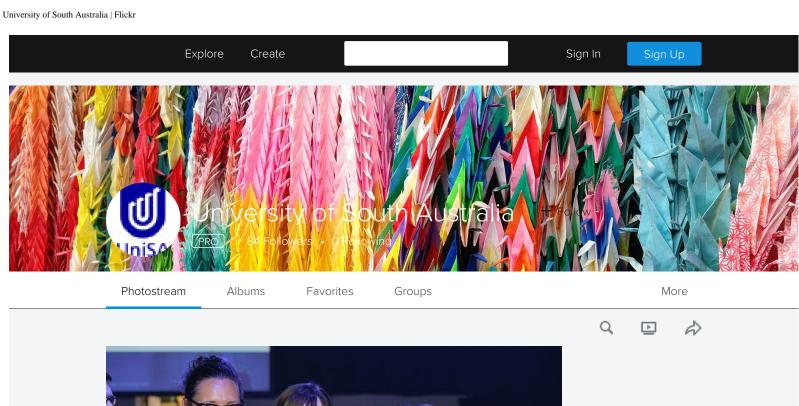
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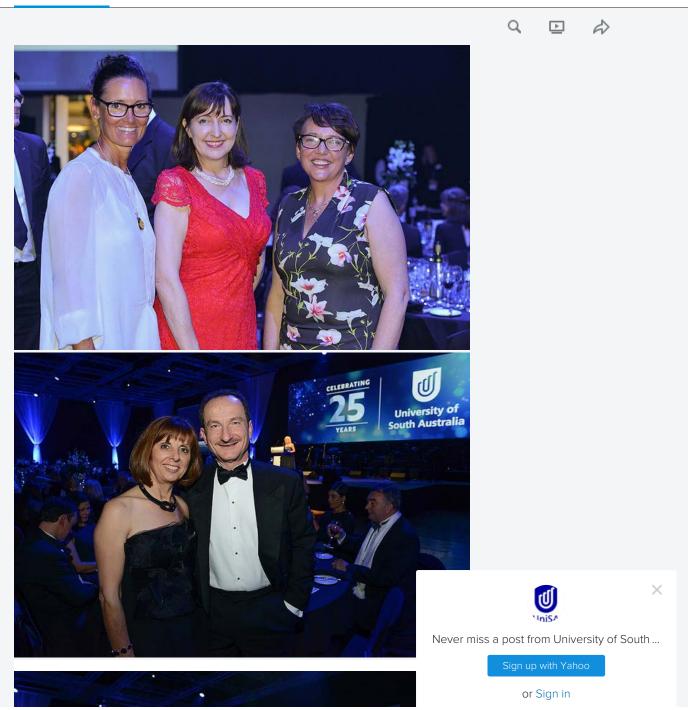
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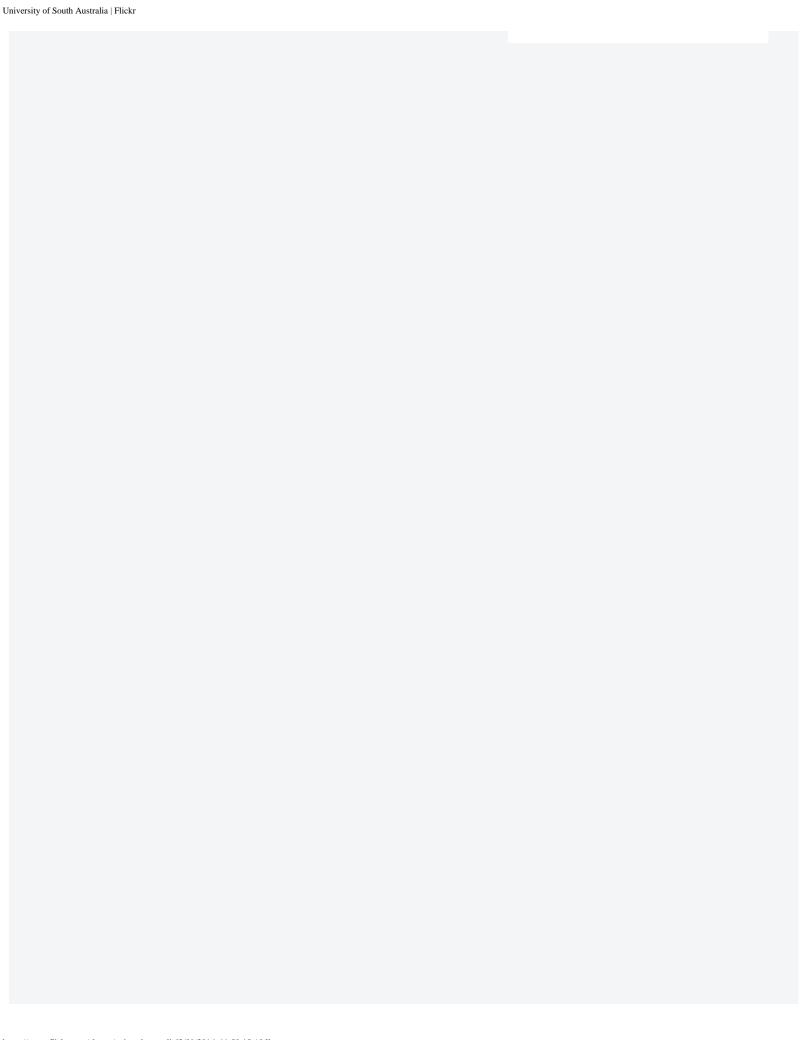
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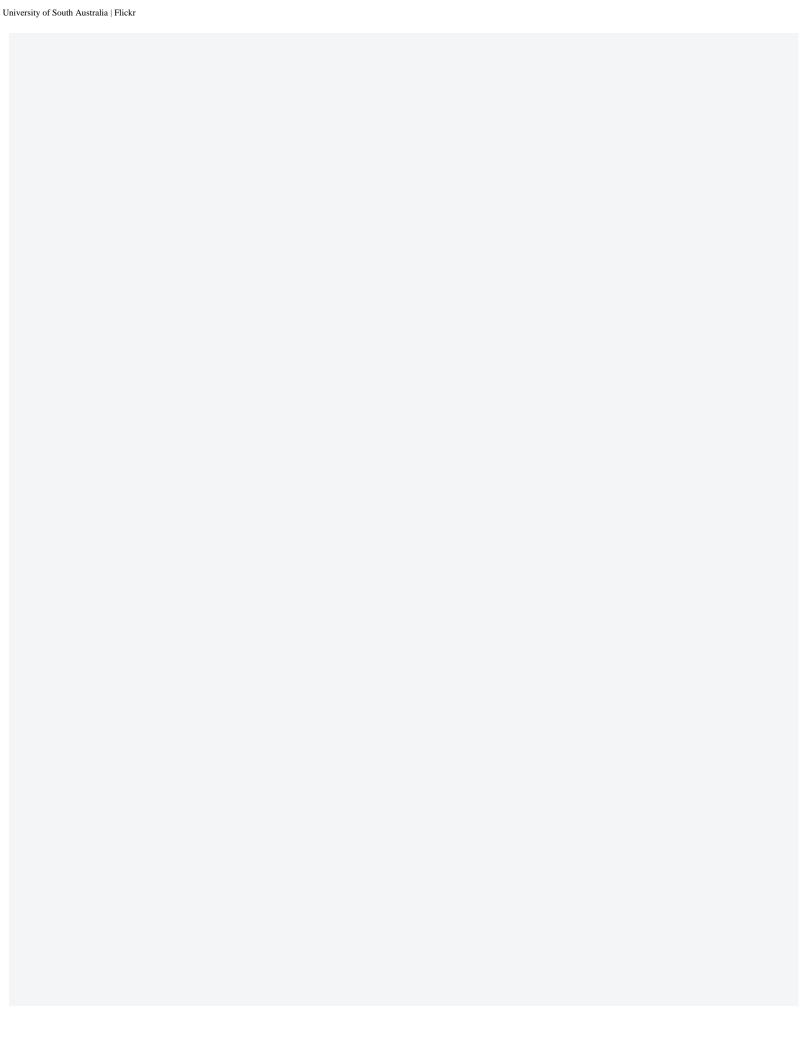
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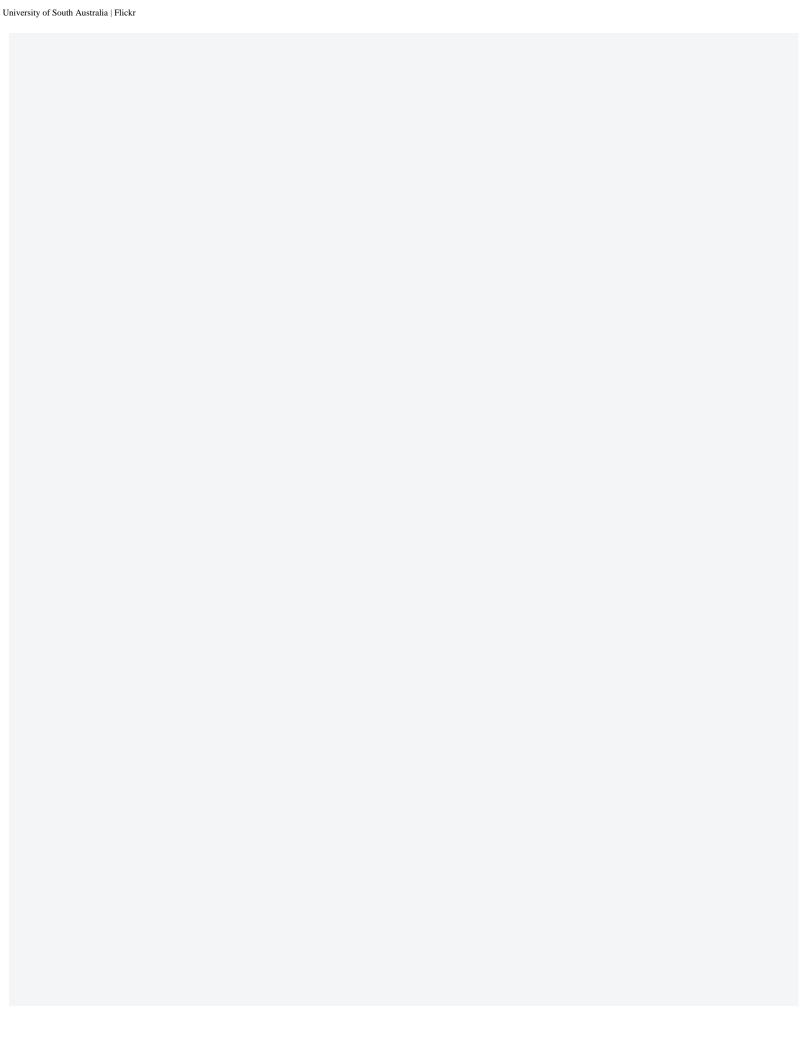


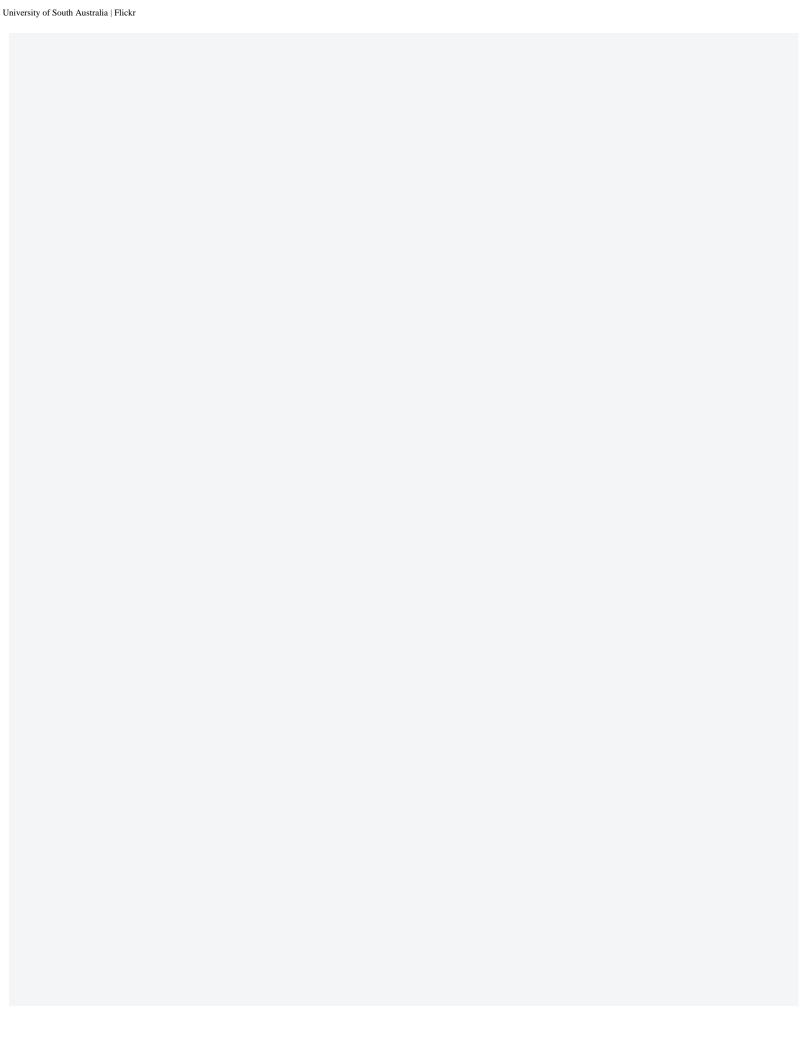


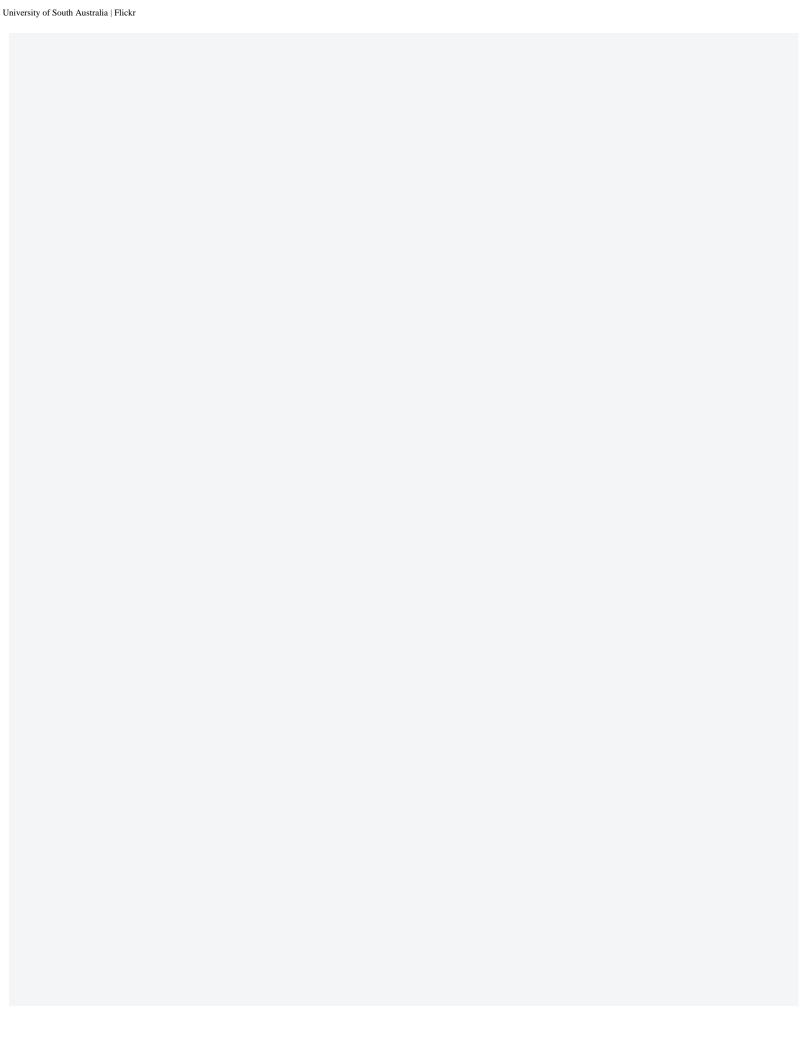












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