

MYM 2022 Report of CAUTHE Fellows Activity

The CAUTHE Fellows last met on 15 February. Of the 21 Fellows who remain “active” (see below), 16 attended this online meeting. Nearly all who were apologies for this meeting were Fellows who live outside Australia and were impacted by time zone differences.

In lieu of a face-to-face conference, this Zoom meeting was our opportunity to welcome our new (late 2021 and early 2022) Fellows Candice Harris, Bruce Prideaux, Kirsten Holmes and Erica Wilson. Collectively we are pleased to have a group of Fellows that is robust and highly engaged. Most Fellows continue to work in the higher education sector, while others are involved in grant-funded or self-funded research, consulting, guest lecturing, writing, and serving on industry advisory boards and committees, with only a handful who have “fully” retired but choose to remain active as CAUTHE Fellows. Each year Fellows are invited to change their status from active to inactive, and at this stage there have been no changes for 2022.

Also at this meeting, a small committee (Marg Deery, Jennie Small, David Simmons and Bob McKercher) was established to **revisit and update**, where appropriate, **the criteria for the annual CAUTHE Fellows award**. This committee will report back to the CAUTHE Fellows in due course, with the intention of implementing changes in time for this year’s round of awards. Preliminary discussions suggest creating four awards: a teaching and research award for new scholars (up to five years after completing their doctorates) and a teaching and research award for emerging scholars (up to 10 years after completion of their doctorate).

Most of the Fellows were **active contributors to the 2022 conference** in some way. This included the Ask-a-Fellow and Small Group Mentoring sessions. The Fellows view these types of sessions as having particular merit in a face-to-face conference environment and are happy to continue to participate and contribute to these as part of the 2023 conference. Many Fellows were also involved in the conference in other capacities such as contributing to the PhD/ECR workshop and special interest groups, speaking as panellists, chairing sessions, reviewing papers, presenting papers, attending the AGM and of course participating as delegates.

Two Fellows volunteered to write items for the **Fellows Footnotes column** of the CAUTHE newsletter in 2022. Brent Ritchie’s contribution appeared in the April newsletter, entitled “Five Tips to Manage Careers and Self” and David Simmons’ contribution will appear later in 2022.

Based on discussions at the February meeting, a new initiative – a **Fellows Panel** entitled **Building Researcher Identity of PhD Students and ECRs** – is being run in conjunction with this year’s MYM. Five Fellows who are able to attend this meeting in person volunteered to be panellists and the chair for this initiative.

Several Fellows continue to actively engage in the **CAUTHE journal** as Editor-in-Chief, Editorial Review Board members, and Editorial Advisory Board members. And of course two of our newest Fellows, Professor Erica Wilson and Professor Kirsten Holmes, serve on the current **CAUTHE Executive** as Chair and Past Chair while Fellow Jennie Small continues to hold the position of Public Officer.

There are many other ways in which individual Fellows continue to be involved in academic leadership, mentoring and scholarship, and Fellows are encouraged to mention their affiliation with CAUTHE and their status as a Fellow of CAUTHE when possible.

-submitted by co-chairs Betty Weiler and Bob McKercher, July 2022