
Adelaidean

Vol 6 No 9

NEWS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE

JUNE 2, 1997

Students taking Maths 2 and a language other than English at SACE Stage 2 level may have their chance of entry to University of Adelaide courses boosted from the year 2000.

In broad terms, students who successfully complete Maths 2 and/or a language other than English at the required level, and who have applied for entry to a University of Adelaide course, will receive bonus points which will enhance their tertiary entrance options.

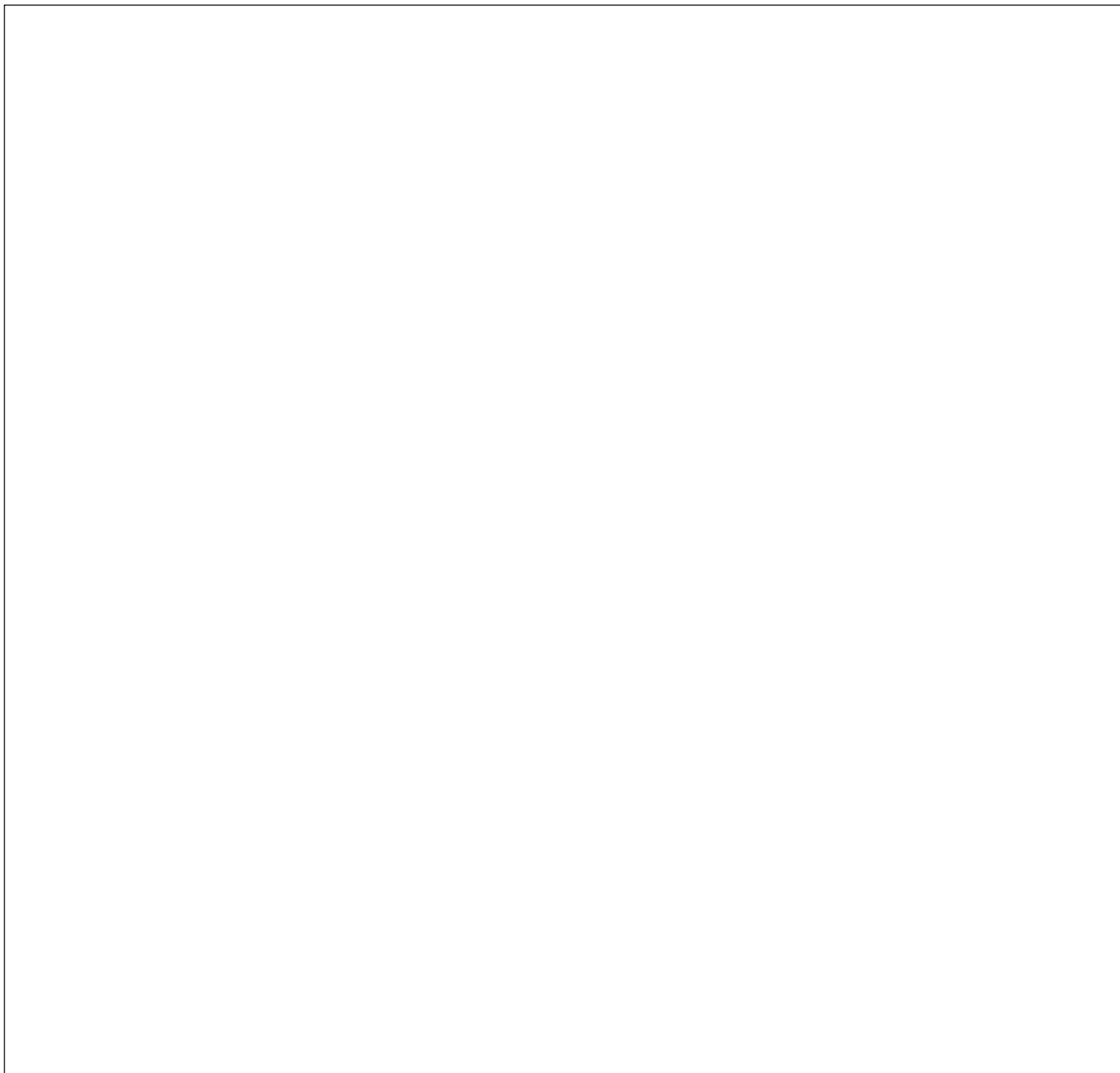
Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor Doug McEachern says the offer of bonus points is a practical way of highlighting the importance of study in mathematics and languages in higher education.

"The scheme will encourage students to increase their career options in many important professional fields, and assist them to participate more effectively in industry and the community as Australia interacts increasingly with the rest of the world," Professor McEachern said.

Two bonus points will be available for students who successfully complete the Publicly Examined Subject (PES) Maths 2 at SACE Stage 2.

Students successfully completing at least one PES language other than English at SACE Stage 2 will also receive two bonus points (regardless of whether one or more languages are taken).

Thus, students will be able to obtain a maximum of four bonus points. For University of Adelaide



Approved for Print Post 505001/000040

INSIDE

Commentary: Protecting the public good, p.2

Holocaust scholar on racism, p.4

Overseas links for protein research, p.6

Democrat: 'appalled'

I have just read your lead article on Repromed and its relationship with Indonesia in the 5 May edition of *Adelaidean*.

I am appalled to think that the University of Adelaide is associated with such a project, and even appears to be proud of the fact.

With money being spent on what is clearly an optional extra for the rich when there are people in that country who do not even have access to clean water, the morality and priorities of this arrangement should be rethought, and urgently.

Sandra Kanck
MLC

... and Repromed responds

As readers of the *Adelaidean* would be aware, Repromed is a highly successful Adel-

The News **IN BRIEF**

AWARD FOR ANTHROPOLOGIST

The head of Anthropology at the University of Adelaide, Professor James Weiner, has been awarded US\$15,000 for an international anthropology conference.

The conference, entitled "From Myth to Minerals: Place, Narrative, Land and Transformation in Australia and New Guinea", is to be held in Canberra in July.

Professor Weiner and co-organiser Alan Rumsey, from the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies at ANU, were awarded the money by the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, which is based in New York City.

The conference will look at the traditional and modern-day links between

Advertisement

Genocide scholar: important not to forget Holocaust lessons

While there are some who deny that it occurred, and others who try to downplay its significance, University of Adelaide graduate Pierre James knows only too well the truth about the Nazi Holocaust during World War Two.

For the past four years Mr James has been researching the fate of his grandfather, Franz Prager—an Austrian Jew who was killed at the Auschwitz concentration camp in 1942 at the age of 24.

The work required to trace his grandfather took Mr James across Europe and to Israel, where he searched through thousands of documents containing details of Holocaust victims.

This research forms part of Mr James's PhD thesis, "A Genealogy of Genocide: the Extermination of the Jews and the Longing for a German Nationalist Utopia".

Mr James, who has published a number of articles about racism and anti-Semitism, graduated from the University of Adelaide with degrees in Economics and Arts in 1988 and 1989.

He began his PhD studies in Adelaide before transferring to the University of Amsterdam, and then to Germany's Philipps-University of Marburg.

He returned to Adelaide last month to give a public talk about the important work of the International Red Cross in tracing victims of the Holocaust.


"The research of my grandfather and his family led me to the Red Cross, which is without exaggeration the world's most important organisation for tracing victims of the Holocaust," Mr James said.

"The Red Cross has an ongoing program to trace all victims of the Nazi terror, and it receives about 100,000 requests every year for

Advertisement

Advertisement




Educational Technology Unit
Telephone 8303 4740

Graham Lawton: a valued leader in Geography

Emeritus Professor Graham Lawton, the Foundation Professor of Geography at the University of Adelaide, died on 4 May in Adelaide.

Professor Lawton will be remembered with great affection and respect by his university colleagues and the many hundreds of students who were privileged to have been taught by him over the 26 years that he served the University of Adelaide with such distinction. He was not only instrumental in establishing Geography as an important field of study and research in the University of Adelaide and in South Australia more generally, but was a major pioneer in the development of research into Aboriginal settlement in South Australia.

Professor Lawton was born in Victoria and graduated with Bachelor degrees in Arts and Education at the University of Melbourne before proceeding to Oxford where he took a Masters degree. Like many of his generation, Professor Lawton's academic career was interrupted by the war but following it he held posts in some of the world's most prestigious Departments of Geography at that time — University of California, Berkeley, University of New Zealand at Canterbury and the University of Washington, Seattle.

In 1951 he arrived at the University of Adelaide to take up the position of Reader-in-Charge of the newly estab-

lished Department of Geography. Geography prior to his arrival had been taught at the University since at least 1904 and on his arrival in Adelaide there were three part-time lec-

Malaysian graduation caps active week in region

Australia's High Commissioner Designate to Malaysia, Mr Robert Cotton, was among the distinguished guests who joined around 600 family members and friends to celebrate the achievement of the 75 new University of Adelaide graduates who received their certificates from the Chancellor, Mr Bill Scammell, in a ceremony at the Hotel Istana in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday 25 May.

Engineering graduate Ir. Chris Chow Chow Pang (BE 1961), the Senior Vice-President of KTA Tenaga Sdn. Bhd and President of Adelaide Uni Alumni (Malaysia) Bhd, delivered the Occasional Address.

Mr Chong urged the graduates to put the skills they have acquired to the good of their country.

"The graduates are going to enter into a new phase of life," he said, "holding their heads high in their chosen professions — be it as doctors, engineers, economists, executives in business, banking or corporations. Your country feels proud to welcome you all into our ranks in society.

"Malaysia is marching into the new 21st century with a number of notable achievements," Mr Chong said. "We should be very proud of what our Prime Minister is advocating in the international arena to bring about a just and fairer world. He sets very lofty goals... Ask yourselves what you can contribute to achieve these goals!

"While we realise we are entering the exciting IT age, we must not forsake our tradition, our culture, our values. No nation can be truly strong without its backbone and the moral fibre and unity of its people," Mr Chong said.

The Sunday afternoon graduation was followed by the Annual Dinner of Adelaide Uni Alumni (Malaysia), also held at the Hotel Istana. Many of the new graduates attended this function, along with older Malaysian graduates of the University, among them the first Malaysian student to study at Adelaide, Dato' Dr Gopal Sreenevasan (MBBS 1952).

The Chief Minister of Sarawak, YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri Haji (Dr) Abdul Taib Mahmud (LLB 1961, DUniv 1994), who is Patron of Adelaide Uni Alumni (Malaysia), was the guest of honour. In his address, the Chief Minister spoke fondly of his years as a student in Adelaide, and positively of the potential of the ongoing relationship between the University and its Malaysian alumni.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Mary O'Kane also presented a warmly-received speech at the dinner which focused on the University's drive towards a greater internationalisation of its activities over the next 20 years.

In this context, the Vice-Chancellor referred to Pauline Hanson, describing Ms Hanson and her supporters as "a small section of Australian society who would like to see us return to a largely fictional past where the races were kept separate and Australia needed nothing that it could not find within its own borders."

Professor O'Kane re-affirmed the University's commitment to a global, non-parochial vision.

"Our work and our future have always been tied with the rest of the world," she said. "Our students have been drawn from many different cultures and have been welcomed into our community. The University of Adelaide will not be diverted from its engagement with students, teachers and researchers from across the globe."

Eight staff were in Malaysia for the graduation, as well as the Chancellor and the Senior Deputy-Chancellor, Mr Jim Bettison.

The event was the high point of a busy period which involved activities in Singapore, Sarawak, Sabah and Penang, and included: meetings with alumni in Sabah and Sarawak; a dinner with Singaporean alumni addressed by the Vice-Chancellor; a visit to Sepang Institute of Technology, where the University's twinning program is progressing very strongly; fruitful ongoing negotiations for the establishment of a joint graduate education centre with the Ngee Ann Kongsi which should see the signing of a final agreement in the near future; and productive meetings related to University of Adelaide arrangements with Universiti Sains Malaysia and Universiti Pertanian Malaysia.

The Vice-Chancellor was particularly involved in an intensive round of visits and meetings during her trip, ending in a project for the Malaysian Government as the leader of a team reviewing the Government's research development plan.

The Chancellor, the Registrar Frank O'Neill, and Alumni Relations Director Geoff Sauer were also guests at the 61st birthday celebrations of the Chief Minister of Sarawak at the beginning of the week.

—John Edge



Graduates pose for their official photographs after the ceremony.



Last minute instructions from Commemorations Manager Graham Feltham.



Mr Chris Chong Chow Pang delivers the Occasional Address.



The Chancellor presents Mazlina bt



Graduation in Kuala Lumpur is an occasion for all the family. The above photographs by William Abraham of Charlie's Photography, Klang.

CENTRAL LONDON: Clapham Old Town: Fully furn house avail July & Aug - 3 dble brs, 2 bathrooms & 1 wc, sunny breakfast rm, lge living & dining rms. Close to transport & park. £2,400 (for the 2 mths, all inclusive). Ph Brandino Rangoni + 44 171 622 0516.

NORTH ADELAIDE: Female to share 3 storey townhouse. \$80 pw + exp. Ph Alison 0414 888 307 or 8239 0507.

TENNYSON: Absolute beach front, fully furn, 3 br. Avail for 6 mths. Ph 8269 2892.

WALKERVILLE: Fully furn cottage avail for 6 mths. 1 br, huge living room, very peaceful. Ph 8269 2892.

WANTED: Academic couple (Flinders) require furn house for first semester of 1998 (and possibly beyond). 2 br, study, lounge. Prefer near

Goodwood or Unley Rds. \$160-\$210 pw. Ph Mark 8201 3673 or email: LSMAI@flinders.edu.au

WANTED: 2br house or unit near the beach for visiting academic from (approx) 29 Aug - 8 Dec 97. Ph Leah Hill 8303 4255.

WANTED: Professional couple seek house for min 12 mths in south-eastern suburbs. Will care for garden & pets. Reasonable rent offered. Ph 8271 6635.

WANTED: 4 br, fully furn home in eastern suburbs for family from July 97 - April 98. Ph Marilyn Ades 8379 4211 (ah) or fax 8379 0433.

WANTED: Going on leave? Scientist would like to rent your furn home/apartment. Periods as short as 1 mth considered. Ph Jim 8259 5895 or email: Jim.winkles@dsto.defence.gov.au

WANTED: Couple seeks 3-4 br house/townhouse from early July for 9-12 mths in

eastern suburbs or city. Ph 0419 813 355 or email: miriam@adam.com.au

WANTED: Accommodation for overseas postgrad student within walking distance or 15 mins drive/bus of Uni from 16 June. Ph Kelvin 8267 3368 or email: kseah@arts.adelaide.edu.au

BED: Queen size bed base only. On wheels, 6 yrs old, good cond. Ph 8303 4538 or email: ktull@library.adelaide.edu.au

HOLDEN COMMODORE: VN 1989 sedan, V6 auto, power steer, air cond, full metal jacket. Good cond. VBA 084. Ph David 8363 4371 or 8332 5982 (ah).

HOUSE: Panorama -

Adelaidean

Executive style, 4 br, 2 bathroom home with study, in-ground spa and garage umr. Views to Glenelg, near Flinders, Scotch College & transport. Officers over \$240,000 welcome. Ph Paul 0411 19 4 340.

HOUSE: Rostrevor - Foothills retreat with 4 brs, 2 bathrooms, views & serenity. Architect's own rustic home, energy efficient and low maintenance. 2 studios (1 detached). Mid \$200,000s. Ph Robin 0411 19 4 330.

LAWN MOWER: Scott Bonnar with exc 3 hp Briggs & Stratton motor. \$260 ono. Ph Derek 8303 5748 or 8339 2986.

MISC: Simpson 2001 fan forced electric stove, \$200. Dining table & 4 chairs (TH Brown & Sons), light honey

maple, 1950s style, \$200. Nest of three tables to match, \$25 & 1 larger lower table, \$30. 3 winter jackets, assorted colours, \$35 ea. Pram, \$175. Full size vaulting horse, school/gym use. \$75. Ph 8333 2582.

MISC: Westinghouse frost free fridge, \$100. National colour tv, Quintrix, \$75. Birdcage with stand, toys, mirrors, etc, suit 2 budgies, \$50. Ph Henk 8431 5202.

TOYOTA CORONA: 1981 manual, 2 ltr, mechanically exc, 161,000km. VHA 763. \$1,400 ono. Ph 8357 4778 (ah).

TENDER: Holden Commodore station wagon, 1995, petrol, white, 38,900km, VSW 032, auto, air cond, mudflaps. Inspection Wed 4 June, 10am-12noon, ph John Davey, 8303 7306. Tenders in a sealed envelope marked Tender No W221 to the

Purchasing Manager, Waite Campus by 10 June 1997.

TENDER: Toyota Hilux 4x4 ute/twin cab, 1996, white, VUU 422, 40,000km, diesel, manual, mudflaps, tow pack, long range fuel tank, bullbar. Inspection Wed 4 June, 10am - 1pm, ph G Butfield 8303 5844. Tenders in a sealed envelope marked Tender No W220 to the Purchasing Manager, Waite Campus by 10 June 1997.

YAMAHA C5 GRAND PIANO: Manufactured 1980. Ph 8303 5286 for inspection. Tenders in a sealed envelope to Head, Department of Music Studies by 4pm Wed 11 June. No tender necessarily accepted.

WORD PROCESSING: From \$2.75 per page, after house service, professional formatting of WP on disk. Ph Anne Every 8212 6869 or 8415 7866.