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## THE SOCIETY

The Australian Anthropological Society was formed in 1973 to 'promote the advancement of Anthropology as a professional discipline'. In 1987, the Society was re-structured to establish a two-tiered membership, providing a basis for the professionalisation of the discipline in Australia. The membership of the Society includes most practising anthropologists in this country, with some members overseas in, for example, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Fiji. It also includes a broad representation of persons working in related fields. The Society is incorporated under New South Wales legislation.

Subscriptions fall due on July 1 each year. Membership fees are as follows:-

Unsalaries \$10.00

Ordinary members \$40.00

Fellows \$60.00

Applications must be made on the prescribed form, accompanied by a \$5 membership admission fee. Successful applicants will be invoiced for their subscription. Subscriptions to the *Newsletter* only are also available, at \$20 for Institutions and \$10.00 for Individuals.

There are two grades of membership. Any person who has completed an Honours degree in Anthropology or who has equivalent qualifications is eligible to be admitted as an Ordinary Member. Those who have successfully completed a postgraduate research degree in Anthropology at a recognised institution, or who have engaged in research, teaching, writing or other professional activities which the Society accepts as being of equivalence to a postgraduate research degree in Anthropology, are eligible to be admitted as Fellows of the Society. Further information about membership is available from the Secretary.

The Society's principal academic activity each year is the Annual Conference. Attendance at the Annual Conference is open to all interested persons, whether or not they are members of the AAS, on payment of the conference fee. This year's Annual Conference will be held at Melbourne.

## Editorial

This issue includes a Call for Papers for the forthcoming Melbourne conference. In order to expedite production of the next *Newsletter*, contributors are requested to send copy to session convenors, who in turn are asked to submit their copy either on disk in ASCII format, or by E-mail. The Museum has still to arrange for E-mail, but David Trigger has kindly offered the use of his E-mail address in the meantime.

I have written to the heads of all departments of Anthropology at universities and museums seeking profiles of their respective departments for inclusion in the next two issues of the *Newsletter*, including brief history, staffing, course structures and postgraduate details. The first three responses to be received are included here.

The deadline for copy in my hands is Monday 6th September and the next issue will be mailed out within the following 7-10 days, all being well. It will contain the full programme for the Melbourne meeting.

John E. Stanton

***Deadline for the next Newsletter: September 6th, 1993***

(Note: this is an absolute deadline if the issue is to be received by members before the Conference.)

## AUSTRALIAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 29 — OCTOBER 1, 1993

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY

The Annual Conference of the Australian Anthropological Society is being organised this year by La Trobe University. Because of accommodation difficulties at La Trobe, the conference will be held at Melbourne University from Wednesday September 29 to Friday October 1.

We aim to make this a lively intellectual and social gathering. Melbourne University is a short walk from the restaurants and cafes of Lygon Street in Carlton, so participants will be well placed on both counts.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

The following sessions have been proposed and many are calling for offers of papers.

Please note that suggested titles and abstracts should be sent to convenors no later than August 20 so that full programmes for sessions can be forwarded to the programme organiser by August 27.

Convenors are responsible for collating the details of their sessions, including the order the papers. They should also inform the organizer if they have any preferred dates and times.

The final programme, including abstracts of papers, will appear in the next issue of the *Newsletter*.

Please direct any queries about the programme to John Morton, Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic. 3083; Tel: 03 479 1445; Fax: 03 471 0894.

1. *Affinities and Differences: A Discussion of the Boundaries Between Anthropology and Sociology, and Whether They Should be Maintained*

Convenor: Raul Pertierra

This panel will discuss the disciplinary boundaries of anthropology and sociology to see how they presently apply in the context of contemporary challenges to earlier paradigms of power,

culture and society. It will assess the affinities and differences between the two disciplines and ask if, within the comparatively small intellectual community in Australia, we can maintain the disciplines separately.

Send titles and abstracts to Raul Pertierra, School of Sociology, University of New South Wales, P.O. Box 1, Kensington, N.S.W. 2033; Tel: 02 697 2313; Fax: 02 313 7859.

## **2. *Anthropological Reflections on Nationalism***

Convenor: Sanjay Srivastava

The Convenor is not calling for papers in this session. For further details contact Sanjay Srivastava, Department of Anthropology, Sydney University, N.S.W. 2006; Tel: 02 692 2360; Fax: 02 692 3046.

## **3. *Anthropology and Cultural Studies: approaches to local knowledge and global cultures***

Convenor: John Gordon

In recent years, 'Cultural Studies' has developed a considerable following in some Australian universities. It has also had a degree of influence within Anthropology. This session, sponsored by *Anthropological Forum*, hopes to encourage debate among those engaged in the study of 'cultural texts' within both Anthropology and Cultural Studies.

While papers might address any aspect of the relationship between Anthropology and Cultural Studies, the following questions may provide a focus: Is there a role for ethnography within Cultural Studies perspectives? To what extent is the study of 'culture' part of empirical research on social relations within Anthropology and Cultural Studies respectively? Can Anthropology continue to maintain a primary focus on local knowledge without confronting the broader processes of the production of national and global cultures? Papers may also take as a starting point the recent exchange between D. Trigger and R. Hodge & V. Mishra which appeared in *Anthropological Forum* 1993: 6(4):607-618.

Papers presented at this session which have been prepared in advance will be eligible for publication in an issue of *Anthropological Forum* which the Editorial Board hopes to publish before the end of this year. Relevant papers from other sessions will also be considered for publication. Anyone interested in presenting a paper should contact John Gordon, Editor, as soon as possible. To ensure publication in the short time remaining between the AAS Conference and the end of the year, papers would need to be in a substantially finished form at time of presentation. A Style Guide is available from the Editor. All papers published in *Anthropological Forum* are anonymously refereed.

Send titles and abstracts to John Gordon, Department of Anthropology, The University of Western Australia, Nedlands, WA, 6009; Tel: 09 380 2850; Fax 09 380 1062; E-mail: jgordon@arts.sauwa.edu.au

## **4. *Cultural Studies, Anthropology and the Politics of Representation***

Convenor: Andrew Lattas

This panel will discuss anthropology and colonialism, with special reference to nationalism and the representation of Aborigines. The panel is almost complete, but offers of papers will still be considered.

Contact Andrew Lattas, School of Behavioural Sciences, Macquarie University, North Ryde, N.S.W. 2109; Tel: 02 805 8014.

#### *5. Difference and its Management by the State*

Convenor: Julie Finlayson

This session will discuss diverse themes to do with sexual, racial, cultural and ethnic differences, together with issues related to the management of difference through policy formation and bureaucratic implementation.

Send titles and abstracts to Julie Finlayson, Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic. 3083; Tel: 03 479 2701; Fax: 03 471 0894.

#### *6. History of Anthropology*

Convenor: Geoff Gray

This session will discuss the history of ethnography; examine other forms of ethnography, beyond the bounds of academic authority, such as the work of missionaries and administrators, particularly the relationship between academic anthropology, anthropologists and colonial governments and their administrative officers. This panel is almost complete but offers of papers will still be considered.

Send titles and abstracts to Geoff Gray, Arts, Deakin University, 336 Glenferrie Road, Malvern, Vic 3144; Tel: 03 510 6750.

#### *7. Indigenous Australians and Academics*

Convenor: John Morton

The Convenor is not calling for papers in this session, which will comprise Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. For further details contact John Morton, Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Vic. 3083; Tel: 03 479 1445; Fax: 03 471 0894.

#### *8. Mabo and Victoria*

The Convenor is not calling for papers in this session. For further details contact Ian Clarke, The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, P.O. Box 553, Canberra, A.C.T. 2601; Tel: 06 246 1111.

#### *9. Masculinities in Cross-Cultural Perspective*

Convenor: Rachel Bloul

This panel will look at the social construction of masculinities from a variety of perspectives, exploring the cultural, emotional and political dimensions of men's lives. Because this is a relatively undeveloped field of study, there will be no specific boundaries on possible topics. Some suggestions include: men and their bodies; the masculinity of political cultures; the genderization of emotions and/or reason—but contributors are welcome to propose any topic they deem to be relevant.

Send titles and abstracts to Rachel Bloul, Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic. 3083; Tel: 03 479 1476; Fax: 03 471 0894.

10. *Medical Anthropology*

Convenor: Robyn Mobbs

Any papers in the areas of health and medicine are invited for this session.

Send titles and abstracts to Robyn Mobbs, Palliative Care Unit, Flinders Medical Centre, Bedford Park, S.A. 5042; Tel: 08 204 5608 (w); 08 278 3813 (h); Fax: 08 277 4957.

11. *Papua New Guinean World Views*

Convenor: Dawn Ryan

The theme for this session is very general, the aim being to enable participants to present diverse aspects of Papua New Guineans' constructions of themselves and the world they live in. 'Bisnis', Christianity, custom, development—these are but some of the labels denoting aspects of contemporary P.N.G. How do people make sense of the world they and their forebears have come from?

Send titles and abstracts to Dawn Ryan, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, Monash University, Clayton, Vic. 3168; Tel: 03 565 2478; Fax: 03 565 2993.

12. *Recreation and Meaning in Australian Society*

Papers are invited that examine how the diverse groups in Australian society, past and present, use recreational activities (e.g. tourism, festivals, gambling and sporting events) to create meaning.

Send expressions of interest and/or abstracts to one of the following:

Janice Newton, Ballarat University College, P.O. Box 663, Ballarat Vic 3353; Tel: 053 339 623, Fax: 053 339 545.

David Collett, Parks and Wildlife, P.O. Box 44a, Hobart Tas 7001; Tel: 002 336 345 (w), 237 522 (h), Fax: 002 240 884.

Joan Knowles, P.O. Box 843, Sandy Bay Tas 7006; Tel: 002 237 522.

13. *Other*

If anyone wishes to arrange a panel or session different from those above, there will probably still be room.

Those individuals who wish to give papers that do not fit into any of the proposed sessions can be given a special session of their own.

Address all further enquiries to John Morton, Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic. 3083; Tel: 03 479 1445; Fax: 03 471 0894.



## AAS POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

### COMPUTER-ASSISTED DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS FOR ANTHROPOLOGICAL RESEARCH

Sunday 26th & Monday 27th September

A two-day workshop on computer-assisted data collection and analysis for anthropological research will be held at La Trobe University on the above dates, in the Social Science Computer Laboratory. The workshop will be conducted by Mr Bob Powell, who has considerable experience in teaching computer programmes that can be used for anthropological fieldwork.

The workshop will be free of charge and students attending will be able to purchase the software at a reduced rate. Students who are about to undertake field research, and those who have recently returned, should find this workshop invaluable as it will enable them to systematise their notes and develop strategies for accessing complex information.

At present there is no funding available to defray the costs of attending the workshop. It has been scheduled to take place just prior to the AAS Conference so that students who are already planning to attend the conference can take advantage of the workshop at minimum cost. There is the possibility of accommodation at the University colleges, and billeting with Melbourne-based AAS members.

**Deadline for enrolment in the workshop: Monday 6th September**

Enquiries about the workshop and applications for enrolment should be directed to Dr Martha Macintyre, Department of Anthropology, University of Melbourne; Tel: 03 344 5153; E-mail: Martha=Macintyre%anthropology%UNIMELB@muwaye.unimelb.EDU.AU

## REPORT FROM WORKING GROUP FOR POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

In April, we sent a circular letter to departments of Anthropology and related disciplines in Australian universities, with the aim of following up the discussion about a postgraduate research workshop at the 1992 AAS Conference. The letter enquired about preferences with regard to the timing and content of any proposed postgraduate research workshop, and solicited letters of support for a planned application for a National Teaching Development Grant for 1994.

The response rate to the letter was very high, with 15 departments replying with varying levels of detail, and most providing letters of support for the grant application. Most departments strongly endorsed the proposal to hold such a workshop under the auspices of AAS.

Unfortunately, we had to abandon the grant application for 1994. The lead time for applications was very tight—only a few weeks—and coincided with the first few weeks of the academic year. The grant involved the coordination of a 'reference group' of experts in the field who all had to be involved in the grant proposal during its development, and this posed insuperable logistical problems for the working group at the time. Nonetheless, the letters of support are much appreciated and will be used to advantage as we seek out further funding sources this year.

With regard to the other matters raised in the letter, the responses were as follows:-

*Timing of the workshop:* Four departments favoured the first half of the year, one department favoured the second half; the rest expressed no opinion.

*Content of the workshop:* Most departments did not respond on this issue, but those that did (5 in all) stressed the following issues: ethics, health, computer programmes, equipment, and logistics of entering the field. These issues also ranked highly in the discussions at the 1992 AAS postgraduate research meeting.

*Number of students:* Departments were asked how many students would attend if expenses were paid by a grant. Eleven departments provided estimates which totalled 50-60 students.

Linda Connor

Martha Macintyre

Paul Alexander

### *Plan for the 1993 Workshop*

As indicated by the announcement which appears in this issue of the *Newsletter*, we have decided to organise a postgraduate research workshop on a shoe-string for this year. The support of the Department of Sociology at La Trobe, and the offer of assistance by Mr Bob Powell of the Social Science Computer Laboratory at La Trobe, have made it possible to hold a two-day workshop on computer-assisted data collection and analysis prior to the AAS Conference in September. We hope that, apart from the technical skills learned, the workshop will provide an opportunity for informal networking among postgraduate students who attend.

It is possible that we may be able to organise some further workshop sessions around the identified priority topics mentioned above. These sessions could take place on the Tuesday prior to the Conference (which starts on the Wednesday). Further information will be provided about this in the next issue of the AAS Newsletter. If anyone is interested in facilitating a workshop session on ethics, health care, use and care of equipment, logistics of fieldwork (or anything else), please contact Martha Macintyre (Fax: 03 344 7894), Linda Connor (Fax: 049 216 902) or Paul Alexander (Fax 02 692 3046).

Linda Connor

Newcastle, 12th July 1993

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**Draft Minutes of Executive Teleconference 1/93**  
**held on 25.3.93**

The Teleconference opened at 12.00 noon (Darwin time).

*Linked:*

Nic Peterson, Jim Fox, David Mearns, Chris Healey, John Gray, David Biernhof.

*Social Analysis:*

The President outlined the proposal for the journal *Social Analysis* to become the journal of the Society.

During discussion, concerns and reservations were expressed by several members in regard to the degree of influence the Society might have over editorial policy and over the uncertain financial implications for the Society of such a move. Alternative possibilities were canvassed before it was

AGREED that Jim Fox would explore the possibility of links with the five Australian journals and prepare a briefing paper for discussion at the next Executive conference.

*Action:* Jim Fox

*DEET Restrictions:*

Jim Fox AGREED to attempt to follow up the matter of possible proposals to alter the regulations on Postgraduate research.

Nic Peterson AGREED to compose a letter to DEET expressing concern and conveying the motion passed at the Annual General Meeting. He undertook to seek the signatures of as many heads of Anthropology as possible to strengthen the letter's impact.

It was AGREED that Jim Fox and Nic Peterson would monitor the situation as it developed and react as necessary—consulting the Executive beforehand if possible.

*Action:* Jim Fox and Nic Peterson

*Conference:*

The President noted the difficulty that had been encountered in connecting with Martha Macintyre and indicated that he believed that Paul Alexander had approached DEET with a view to funding support for the Workshop.

*Directory:*

It was noted that John Stanton would issue the *Directory* shortly to all members. It was AGREED that the Secretary should liaise with John Stanton and that the Treasurer would attempt to work out the margins on the production of the *Directory* and that two copies should be sent to Jim Fox to assist in negotiations with DEET.

*Action:* David Mearns and Chris Healey

*Sage:*

Following a request from SAGE Publications for a list of members it was AGREED that John Stanton should send them a copy of the *Directory* and bill them accordingly.

*Action:* John Stanton

*Files:*

It was AGREED that the Society would pay for the organisation of the membership files and for their shipment to Darwin from Adelaide.

*Action:* John Gray and Deane Fergie

*Contract for Glennis Graham:*

It was AGREED that Glennis be reappointed and that John Gray would adjust the contract which was used for last year and present the rewritten form for signing. It was further AGREED that the rate of pay be raised from \$12 to \$16 per hour.

*Action:* John Gray

*Cheques:*

The Treasurer clarified the current situation on signing cheques.

The President thanked participants and the meeting closed at 12.50pm.

## CORRESPONDENCE

# AUSTRALIAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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*Vice-President: James Fox*  
*Secretary: David Mearns*  
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4th April 1993

The Secretary  
Department of Employment, Education  
and Training  
12 Mort Street  
CANBERRA CITY ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the Australian Anthropological Society, the professional association of the discipline, to inform you of the unanimously adopted motion passed by the Society at its Annual General Meeting in the interests of maintaining the international standard and standing of the Australian Anthropology PhD degree.

At its 1992 Annual General Meeting the Society resolved unanimously that:

The Australian Anthropological Society notes that different disciplines have distinctive academic and scholarly requirements. Since Anthropology was first introduced as an academic discipline, extended fieldwork has been central to professional training. This period of fieldwork has been minimally 18 months for doctoral students. Such a period is essential because of the language learning involved in almost all fieldwork and the need to follow social and economic practices through a twelve-month cycle in order to provide a minimally acceptable analysis. In the light of these internationally recognised disciplinary requirements, the Australian Anthropological Society emphasises that four years of training for Anthropology students is the standard required for professional training. The Society urges DEET to recognise these special requirements of the discipline in its funding of postgraduate research awards for the PhD.

Anthropology is founded on fieldwork. It is central to the discipline because it is only through fieldwork that deep and perceptive cross-cultural understanding can be developed. Fieldwork is itself predicated on language learning for it is through

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language learning that anthropologists enter the cognitive worlds of other cultures. The bulk of this learning has to be done in the field, although limited preparatory learning can sometimes be done prior to departure. Learning *in situ* is a vital means to building the close relations with people which are essential to insightful anthropological research. ~~It is also a key means of structuring a pupil-teacher relationship with the research population since they normally expect Europeans to act in a directive or didactic role.~~ A minimum of six months is necessary to acquire a basic linguistic competence.

Once the researchers have such a linguistic competence they need to follow events in their chosen field, be it social, economic, political or religious, through the minimum of an annual cycle, in order to generate adequate data for an acceptable analysis.

Although anthropology is sometimes seen by the general public as a rarefied pursuit it has from the time of its establishment as an academic discipline been of practical application whether in monitoring and ameliorating the impacts of social change or in formulating social policy. At a time when we are urged to make closer links with Asia, and economic development and social changes are priorities throughout the Asia-Pacific region, anthropology is becoming increasingly important as a practical resource providing in-depth understanding on which much else depends. Without well informed cross-cultural understanding, identifying and assessing the needs and circumstances of beneficiaries of development and aid programs is likely to be flawed and everything from service delivery, to trade and economic development, is likely to suffer in the efficiency and effectiveness with which it is implemented. The ability of anthropology to meet these needs as well as matching the best practice in the discipline internationally is predicated on adequate fieldwork.

We would welcome the chance to discuss this matter with you and to clarify and expand on the distinctive needs of the discipline particularly as it relates to postgraduate training.

Yours faithfully,

Nicolas Peterson, PhD  
President of the Australian Anthropological Society

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This letter has been seen in facsimile copy and signed by the following Heads of Departments of Anthropology:

Professor J. Fox  
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Research School of Pacific Studies  
The Australian National University

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University of Western Australia

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Department of Anthropology  
University of Adelaide

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Department of Sociology  
University of New South Wales

Professor Bruce Rigsby  
Department of Anthropology and Sociology  
University of Queensland

Dr C. Healy  
Department of Anthropology  
University of the Northern Territory



**Department of Employment, Education and Training  
Central Office**

Our Reference :

Your Reference :

Dr Nicolas Peterson  
President  
Australian Anthropological Society  
Department of Archeology and Anthropology  
Australian National University  
Canberra ACT 0200

Dear Dr Peterson

Thank you for your letter of 4 April 1993 on behalf of the Australian Anthropological Society about the duration of Australian Postgraduate Research Awards (APRAs).

The maximum duration of APRAs was set at three and a half years on the recommendation of the Australian Research Council (ARC). In its report of April 1989, *A Review of the Commonwealth Postgraduate Awards Scheme*, the Council noted that forthcoming increases in stipends and better supervision arrangements were expected to result in improved completion times. In the context of these changes, it concluded that the maximum tenure of the research awards should be reduced to three and a half years. Nevertheless, the Council acknowledged concerns about the impact of the shorter award duration on students required to undertake fieldwork or major equipment development, and agreed to keep the matter under review.

I am therefore arranging for your letter to be included in the agenda papers for the next meeting of the ARC's Research Training and Careers Committee, which has responsibility for advising the Council on matters of postgraduate training.

Yours sincerely

Janet Gaffey  
Director  
Research Development Section

27 May 1993

## CONFERENCE NOTICE

### *Creating a White Australian Dreamtime: the cultural heritage and politics of the 1950s*

Charles Sturt University, Albury 7-11 February 1994

### Call for Papers

The purpose of the conference is to utilise the current wave of interest in the 1950s to question the nostalgia attached to those years, and to develop a more critical appreciation of the ways in which race, gender and class are integrated into the quest for an authentic national identity. Through juxtaposing academic contributions with essays and cultural activities originating outside the academy, a clearer and more comprehensive picture of the 1950s will emerge. The conference therefore aims to bring together a wide range of speakers, artists, writers and critics, and to use the conference papers to produce an attractive and comprehensive volume on the era.

### Five Major Sessions

#### *Whitening the Dreamtime*

The invisibility of Aboriginal people and the visibility of Aboriginal culture

#### *The Straight and Narrow Path*

Sexuality, adolescence, sexual preferences and gender relations

#### *Brightening the Australian Dream Family*

Family, home, monogamy, divorce, mothering, housework, the suburbs

#### *Populate or Perish*

Immigrants, refugees, becoming Australian and European 'culture'

#### *Red and Yellow Perils: Purifying the Nation*

Petrov, the White Australia Policy, Barwick and the High Court, Rupert Lockwood, war brides and monarchy

Those wishing to give a paper or convene a session should contact the conference convenor, Julie Marcus, at the address below as soon as possible:

Julie Marcus, Professor of Social Anthropology

Charles Sturt University — Murray Campus, P.O. Box 789, Albury NSW 2640

## APPOINTMENTS



# UWA

The University of Western Australia

■ **ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR/  
SENIOR LECTURER** (REF: A24/93)  
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

Applications are invited for a tenurable appointment as Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer in the Department of Anthropology. The Department wishes to make an appointment as soon as possible and not later than 1 January 1994. Applicants must have a PhD in social anthropology/comparative sociology and experience in at least one of the department's three main regional areas of expertise: Australian society, Aboriginal Australia and Southeast Asia. The successful applicant will have an excellent record in research and publishing, a demonstrated high level of ability as a university teacher and the ability to work in a collegial, academic environment. The appointee will be expected to teach and develop units at all levels of the undergraduate curriculum, including honours, to supervise postgraduate students, to undertake research and to participate in departmental administration. The department, which was established in 1963, has 11 full-time academic staff, a substantial undergraduate and postgraduate student body (currently more than 200 EFTUs) and publishes the international journal *Anthropological Forum*. The department teaches a range of subjects within anthropology and comparative sociology. Further information, including basic selection criteria for Associate Professor and Senior Lecturer appointments, may be obtained from the Head of Department, Dr J Gordon, on telephone (09) 380 2850, international +619 380 2850 or fax (09) 380 1062, international +619 380 1062 or email [jgordon@arts.uwa.edu.au](mailto:jgordon@arts.uwa.edu.au).

**SALARY RANGE:** Associate Professor Level D  
\$60,475 - \$66,625 p.a.  
Senior Lecturer Level C  
\$50,225 - \$57,913 p.a.

**CLOSING DATE:** 27 August 1993

Conditions of appointment will be specified in any offer of appointment which may be made as a result of this advertisement. A salary loading may be available in some circumstances. Benefits include superannuation, fares to Perth for appointee and dependent family (if applicable), removal allowance (if applicable), study leave and long service leave.

Written applications quoting reference number, telephone number, qualifications and experience, and the names, addresses and fax/telephone numbers of three referees should reach the Director, Human Resources, The University of Western Australia, Nedlands WA 6009, by the closing date (fax (09) 380 1036).

The University is an equal opportunity employer and promotes a smoke-free work environment

## ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT PROFILES

The University of Western Australia

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

### *Brief History:*

Ronald M. Berndt began the teaching of anthropology at The University of Western Australia in 1956 when he arrived in Perth with Catherine to take up an appointment in the Psychology Department. By 1963 the new discipline was strong enough to achieve departmental status. Today, Anthropology is one of the largest departments in the UWA Division of Arts and Architecture and offers degree programs in both the Faculties of Arts and Science. Student numbers have grown steadily over the past six years and the department currently has enrolments of 211 EFTSUs. Of this number, 22 are PhD and Masters candidates. The Department publishes the international journal *Anthropological Forum*, and both the Department and the journal celebrate their Thirtieth Anniversaries this year.

The Department teaches a range of undergraduate units in social anthropology and comparative sociology and concentrates for research purposes in three major areas: Aboriginal Australia, Australian society, and Southeast Asia. Current staff number ten:-

- R. TONKINSON (Professor, PhD British Columbia 1972)
- B. SANSOM (Professor, PhD Manchester 1970) [retiring June, 1993]
- J. GORDON (*Head*, Senior Lecturer, PhD Harvard 1975)
- C. WADDELL (Senior Lecturer, PhD Utah 1975)
- D. TRIGGER (Senior Lecturer, PhD Queensland 1985)
- D. PARKER (Lecturer, LLB, Western Australia 1952)
- H. RUMLEY (Lecturer, MA, British Columbia 1973)
- M. PINCHES (Lecturer, PhD, Monash 1985)
- G. ACCIAIOLI (Lecturer, PhD ANU 1989)
- S. TOUSSAINT (Assistant Lecturer, MA Western Australia 1987)
- C. BERNDT (Senior Honorary Research Fellow, PhD London 1955)

### *Associates:*

- J. STANTON (Curator, Berndt Museum of Anthropology, PhD Western Australia 1986)
- R. CHADWICK (Assistant Curator, BSc Western Australia 1986)

In common with other departments at UWA, Anthropology has endured recent cuts to staffing levels and research, equipment and teaching block grants. Yet, due largely to the presence of direct income from overseas full-fee students (currently 12 EFTSUs in addition to the above), the department has continued to be able to allocate grants to support postgraduate field research and to provide staff with reasonable levels of computer hardware and software support. Western Australia, with its close proximity to Southeast Asia (Bali is less than four hours flying-time away) and a multitude of local and state issues of interest to anthropologists, provides a stimulating environment for both research and teaching.

### UNDERGRADUATE UNITS CURRENTLY OFFERED

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| 100     | Introduction to Anthropology     |
| 202/302 | Tribal and Peasant Societies     |
| 203/303 | Religion                         |
| 204/304 | Communication and Culture        |
| 205/305 | Comparative Industrial Sociology |

206/306	Medical Anthropology
207/307	Transformation of Asian Societies
208/308	Traditional Aboriginal Australia
209/309	Applied Anthropology
210/310	Research Methods
211/311	Urban Anthropology
213/313	Religion, Politics and Society In Asia
214/314	Development of Anthropological Thought
215/315	Aboriginal People and Culture in Contemporary Australia
216/316	Social Inequality
217/317	Gender Relations in Cross-Cultural Perspective
218/318	Law, Power and Policy
219/319	Sociological Perspectives on Australian Society
220/320	Reading Culture

## STUDENT NUMBERS — 1993

First Year	350
Second Year	267
Third Year	108

## POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

*MSc:*

BURNS, Leah: The effects of tourism on village life in Fiji

*MA:*

MAHER, Lillian: Aboriginal people and resource politics in the Pilbara

STEFANONI, Sylvia: The family and ethnicity: a study of the Italian orchardists of Pickering Brook

*PhD:*

BALDASSAR, Loretta: Italian immigration and ethnicity

BARBER, Kim: Kardu Me: Political competition and social change in an autonomous Aboriginal community in the north-west of the Northern Territory

BEHRNDT, Margaret: An anthropological analysis of postpartum depression

DOULMAN, Anthony: (Development anthropology: Thailand)

HABA, Johannis: Suku terasing and social change in Central Sulawesi

HUNT, Lynne: The study of a solution: an institutional ethnography of the women's health movement

HUTCHERSON, Gillian: Women artists of Northeast Arnhem Land

LANGE, Cheryl: The construction of collective identity in the Greens (WA)

LARSEN, Ann-Claire: The Child Health Service: a means through which families are governed

LAURENCE, John: Islam and social change

MANN, Clare: The marketing and commercialisation of Aboriginal art: the role of intermediaries

MANVILLE, Julie: An ethnography of women in the Anglican church: the maintenance of gender differentiation in a voluntary institution

MARDIROS, David: Land rights and self-determination in the west Kimberley region, W.A.

MOORE, David: Anthropology of recreational drug use

PETERS, Nonja: Immigrant entrepreneurship: Greek, Dutch and Vietnamese immigrants in business in Perth, WA

PRICE, Jason: Economic culture in an East Javanese city

RICHARDSON, Eileen: The community debate over reproductive technologies in Western Australia

RIORDAN, Richard: The relationship between the notion of community and health behaviours in a rural area in the south west of Western Australia

SENDZIMIR, Wanda: Effects of capitalist transformation in Poland and the role of the Church

THONTOWI, Jawahir: Legal anthropology: law and order in Makasar society, Indonesia

TOUSSAINT, Sandy: Anthropology and the study of Australian Aboriginal gender relations: the politics and ethics of representation

TOWNLEY, Graham: Cultural politics and development in the Great Victoria Desert region of Western Australia

*PhD Theses Recently completed:*

MOORE, Philip 1992 Subcontracting in Perth: an urban ethnography

WRIGHT, Guy 1992 Island season: social relations and fishing practice at the Houtman Abrolhos Islands, Western Australia

BIRDSALL, Christina 1992 All in one family: family and social identity among urban Aborigines in Western Australia

BOWEN, Paul 1991 Ntamkuphila: Tradition and change in a Swazi agricultural community

WARREN, Carol 1990 Adat and dinas: village and state in contemporary Bali

John Gordon

The University of Western Australia

BERNDT MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY

*History*

The Anthropology Research Museum (renamed in 1991 in honour of the Berndt's contribution to Australian Anthropology) was formally established in 1976 under a University Senate appointed Board of Management (now an Advisory Board) to house the ethnographic collections located in the Department of Anthropology. The collection had been the responsibility of a Research Assistant since 1971: Joanne Sellick was appointed at that time. She was followed by Sandra Carrivick in 1975 and then jointly with John Stanton in 1978. A full position of Curator was established in 1980; this was augmented with a half-time Assistant Curator in 1989. The Museum publishes an *Occasional Papers* series, and mounts long-term and temporary travelling exhibitions on an irregular basis.

*Staff*

J. Stanton (Curator, Secretary of the Board PhD 1986)

R. Chadwick (Assistant Curator BSc 1986)

*Undergraduate Courses*

The Museum offers no courses; it does, however, contribute to the regular teaching programme of the Department of Anthropology and provides guest lectures to the Centre for Archaeology, the Department of Fine Arts, and relevant departments at Perth's other universities.

*Postgraduate Students*

The Museum does not enroll its own postgraduate students; students in relevant departments are jointly supervised by Museum staff.

*PhD: (Anthropology)*

HUTCHERSON, Gillian: Women artists of Northeast Arnhem Land

MANN, Clare: The marketing and commercialisation of Aboriginal art: the role of intermediaries

*PhD: (Fine Arts)*

FITZPATRICK, Lorraine: The matrix of traditional and contemporary influences within which the visual culture of the indigenous peoples of Northwest Canada and Australia is created.

John Stanton

## THE AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM, SYDNEY

### *Brief History*

W.W. Thorpe was appointed in 1906 as the first Ethnologist assisting the Curator (i.e. Director). F.D. McCarthy was appointed to assist Thorpe in 1931, who died later the same year. McCarthy was joined by E. Bramell in 1933. Since then, eight other staff have held 'curatorial' positions, including the present personnel. We are a Division of Anthropology with 12 permanent positions and a fluctuating number of temporary positions. We do not have a divisional publication series, but the Australian Museum publishes *Records of the Australian Museum* and *Technical Papers of the Australian Museum*, plus *Australian Natural History* (a popular magazine) and *Muse* (a quarterly newsletter). The Division primarily covers Aboriginal Australia, Pacific Islands and Southeast Asia; there is a lesser emphasis on the rest of the world.

### *Staff*

J. Specht (Head, 1971)  
P. Tacon (Scientific Officer 1991)  
V. Attenbrow (Scientific Officer 1989)  
R. Torrence (ARC Fellow 1992)  
R. Fullagar (ARC Fellow 1993)  
K. Patrick (Secretary 1993)  
Z. Wakelin-King (Collection Manager—Asia, Africa, Americas 1973)  
L. Bolton (Collection Manager—Pacific, on leave)  
L. Bonshek (Collection Manager—Pacific [Acting])  
vacancy (Collection Manager—Aboriginal Australia)  
S. Florek (Project Officer, Aboriginal Studies)  
K. Khan (Project Officer, Aboriginal Studies 1983)  
P. May (Project Officer, Computerisation 1992)  
N. Goodsell (Project Officer, Pacific Studies)  
P. Gordon (Aboriginal Heritage Officer 1980)

### *Students*

The Department does not offer any courses of study.

### *Postgraduate Studies*

No postgraduate students are registered with the Department, but several are being supervised—University of Sydney, La Trobe University, University of New England, University of New South Wales.

Jim Specht

