Dear Colleagues

I hope you are all taking good care of yourselves during this time of COVID-19 disruption.

While some states are easing restrictions, Victoria has moved from a State of Emergency to a State of Disaster, with Stage 4 restrictions applying until Sunday 13 September to all people within the Melbourne metropolitan area. No doubt, this will require Victorian universities to review what this means for any planned on-campus activities.

This month, we also see many universities calling for voluntary redundancies, but I'm pleased to announce that Universities Australia are funding the prize money for the Teaching and Program Awards. In addition, the 2020 AAUT Australian Teacher of the Year prize money is increased to $30,000 and also funded by Universities Australia.

The COVID-19 pandemic has also resulted in Universities Australia rescheduling the AAUT Ceremony to the evening of Wednesday 2nd June 2021, immediately prior to the rescheduled Universities Australia Higher Education Conference (2-4 June 2021).

I wish to thank all the DVCAs and ICOs for supporting these awards by recommending assessors. We have had a generous 220 assessors who have submitted their expression of interest and offer their time to evaluate the submissions. The allocation of assessors to submissions will take place after the nomination period closes at the end of September.

With just three weeks to go till the nomination opens, my team and I look forward to receiving your institution’s nominations.

Best wishes

Professor Angela Carbone
AAUT Awards Team Director

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Timeline & Key Dates

COUNTDOWN to Nominee Registration:

- **Phase 1: Nominee Registration**
  
  Monday 24th Aug to Friday 4th Sept

- **Phase 2: Submission Upload**

  Monday 14th Sept to Friday 25th Sept

Click [here](#) for the 2020 AAUT Key dates.

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AAUT UPDATE

2020 Prize Money Update

This year, the Australian University Teacher of the Year prize money is increased to $30,000 (previously $20,000). And the Teaching and Program awards prize money remains as $15,000.

2021 AAUT Ceremony Date Change

Please note that 2021 AAUT Ceremony is now scheduled on the evening of Wednesday 2nd June 2021, immediately prior to the Universities Australia Conference (2 to 4 June 2021).

Get ready for Submission - Reminder

1. ICO Contact

   On **Friday 21st Aug**, ICO will receive the allocated account ID and the 2020 AAUT Awards Portal Nomination Submission Instructions on how to access the portal. Please ensure your institution contact is correct (see the ICO list below) and notify the Awards Team of any changes.

2. Email Security

   To avoid delay in receiving emails from the AAUT Awards Portal, remember to get in touch with your institution IT centre to release any email from [no_reply@sparkplus.com.au](mailto:no_reply@sparkplus.com.au) and [support@sparkplus.com.au](mailto:support@sparkplus.com.au)

3. Team Photo

   Collage of individual photos as one photo is acceptable given the current social distancing requirement.

4. Hyperlinks

   **Reminder**: Hyperlinks are **not** allowed in the Citation body of the application.
Thank you to all:

- Institutions who have recommended potential assessors.
- Potential assessors for completing their expression of interest.

2019 Australian University Teacher of the Year Interview

The Psychology of Criminal Justice
Click [here](#) to watch Professor Blake McKimmie’s interview at this year UA Conference dinner.

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AAUT Resources

AAUTY Video Series

Watch 2019 AAUTY: [The Psychology of Criminal Justice’s video](#)
[Transcript](#)
Read [team profile](#) here

Watch 2018 AAUTY: [Kevin’s video](#)
[Transcript](#)
Read [Kevin’s profile](#) here

AAUTN Mentor Scheme

The AAUTN Award Mentor Scheme draws on the skills and experience of Australian Teaching Award winners who have volunteered to be part of the scheme. Check out the [new mentors](#).
2020 AAUT Nomination Information Packs

2020 Nomination Instructions and Forms are now available to download from the AAUT-UA website or click here (Dropbox).

AAUT-UA website
For all AAUT related information.

Promotion Campaign
To expand the range of disciplines represented in the AAUT, use the brochures below to promote the awards in your institution:

- AAUT Overview
- Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education
- Global Citizenship & Internationalisation
- Postgraduate Education

Institutional Contact Officer (ICO)
See here for the updated ICO list.
Tips on writing a successful award application
Click on the image to download.

Learning and Teaching Repository
It contains a collection of higher education learning and teaching materials flowing from projects funded by the Australian Government from 1994 to 2018.
Click on the image to access.