



2015 PACIFIC RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM

About the Pacific Research Colloquium

Each year the State Society and Governance in Melanesia (SSGM) Program at the Australian National University brings early career social science researchers from the Pacific (including Melanesian, Polynesian and Micronesian states and territories, and Papua and Timor-Leste) to a 2 week intensive workshop on developing skills necessary for social science research in the Pacific. We offer a limited number of scholarships to early career Pacific researchers to participate in the 2015 Colloquium, in Canberra, from 26 January to 6 February. Participants develop research skills by working with some of the top Pacific scholars in Australia.

To apply you need to:

- Be currently undertaking social science research;
- Be doing research on, or applicable to, the Pacific;
- Hold a passport & be eligible for an Australian visa.

You do not need to be a university graduate.

A Scholarship will provide payment of full travel costs to and from Canberra, plus accommodation and living expenses for the fortnight.

Early career Australian and New Zealand researchers doing social science research in relation to the Pacific, Papua or Timor-Leste may also apply to attend the Colloquium on a self-funded basis.

Examples of social science research fields include anthropology, development studies, political science or public administration, gender studies, geography, sociology, Pacific Studies, public health, or law.

The 2 week program includes:

- Intensive training on designing, conducting, and writing reports on, research projects
- SSGM and other ANU scholars providing mentoring and feedback on your research projects and papers
- Guided introductions to research resources

- Visit to Parliament, and social events

To encourage high standard work, we offer a separate four week visiting fellowship to the participant from the Pacific, who authors the most outstanding paper presented to the Colloquium. The fellowship gives an opportunity to present at the June 2015 State of the Pacific Conference.

SSGM also offers all interested Colloquium participants ongoing mentoring as they develop their research projects and write their papers after the Colloquium. Opportunities to submit papers for publication as SSGM Discussion Papers will also be available.

The Colloquium is part of SSGM's broader commitment to building social science research skills in the Pacific, including Papua and Timor-Leste.

To Apply: <http://ips.cap.anu.edu.au/2015-PRC>

Application Deadline: Sunday 24th August 2014

Successful Applicants will be notified by 15th September 2014. They will then be required to submit a full first draft paper by 3rd November 2014. Final award of the Scholarship will depend on SSGM receiving the draft paper by the due date. We will send mentor's comments on the first draft. Then we will require a second draft of the paper, taking account of the mentor's comments, to be sent to us by a date (to be advised) in January 2015. Air travel tickets will not be provided until we receive that second draft.

