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Summary of SECG events at the 2021 AAG Conference

Hello AAG Student and Early Career Members,

Please find below information on the following AAG Conference events designed for Student and Early Career Group (SECG) members. All times are in AEDT.

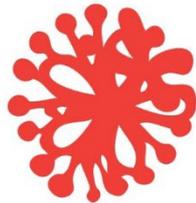
Friday, 5 November 2021 10:30am – 12pm	SECG/ERA Preconference workshop: Know and show what you are worth - Measuring and demonstrating your impact
Tuesday, 9 November 2021 12:30pm – 1:15pm	SECG Annual General Meeting – ALL WELCOME
Wednesday, 10 November 2021 4:50pm – 5:40pm	SECG Social Event – Online Disco with Guru Dudu
Thursday, 11 November 2021 12:40pm – 1:30pm	Lunch with the Stars – Registrations to participate now closed
1:40pm – 2:55pm	SECG Symposium - “You can’t ask that!”

Feel free to distribute this flyer to other AAG SECG members who may wish to join in on these exciting events.

We look forward to a fantastic virtual catch up with you at this year’s AAG conference!

SECG Conference Organising Committee

On behalf of Dr Rachel Ambagtsheer (AAG SECG President)



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**Pre-Conference Workshop –
Jointly hosted by AAG’s Student and Early Career Group (SECG) and Emerging
Researchers in Ageing (ERA)**

**Know and show what you are worth –
Measuring and demonstrating your impact
Friday, 5th November 2021 10:30am-12.00pm**

Many students, early careers and even experienced researchers struggle to talk about themselves and their work. Self-promotion is a challenging and often uncomfortable task but there are skills that you can learn to help you demonstrate your impact and worth at any career stage. These skills can be used for writing grants, networking, job applications, and collaborations etc. So find out what you are worth and embrace it.

This workshop encourages students, early career researchers and practitioners from diverse backgrounds to learn more about how to develop self-promotion skills that are essential to be successful in applications for grants, jobs, promotions and conferences.

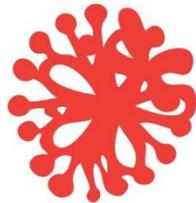
Our presenters are research coaches **Dr Narelle Tunstall and Hugh Kearns.**



Narelle is a researcher development practitioner, who is passionate about supporting researchers, their projects, careers, and research outcomes. Through Empirical Research Development, Narelle uses her experience in research management, grant writing, and career development to support researchers to achieve their goals.



Hugh Kearns is recognised internationally as a public speaker, educator, and researcher. He regularly lectures at universities across the world including Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, Berkeley and Stanford. His areas of expertise include self-management, positive psychology, work-life balance, learning and creativity.



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During this workshop, you will:

- Explore how to access, choose, and boost your measures of impact;
- Learn how to use impact metrics without letting them define you;
- Understand how to promote yourself and your research;
- Develop practical strategies of self-promotion;
- Tackle your feelings of imposter syndrome.

This is a free event for all SECG members and conference registration is not necessary, but a Conference digital pass includes registration to all workshops.

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

NB: you will need to register for these workshops as they will not be recorded

(Virtual) Lunch with the Stars



**Thursday 11th November 2021,
12:40pm to 1:30pm**



This event aims to provide students and early career researchers, clinicians and policy workers, an opportunity to meet with more experienced members of the gerontology and AAG community. It is an opportunity to network, discuss research ideas and issues relevant to ageing.

Registrations for participation in this event closes on **25 October 2021**.

Those who applied will receive confirmation with allocation of 'Star' and Zoom details soon.



SECG Annual General Meeting – Dr Rachel Ambagtsheer (AAG SECG President)

**Tuesday, 9 November 2021,
12:30pm-1:15pm**

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlpcemrrzkqGdl8rukevN-cWzb3W3zV9z70>



SECG Social Event – Online Disco

Hosted by Guru Dudu



**Wednesday, 10 November 2021,
4:40pm-5:30pm**



*****Limited places. BYO dance shoes, glitter, and drinks! Fun for all the family**

Zoom details to follow



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**SECG You Can't Ask That! Symposium –
Hosted by Dr Claudia Meyer**

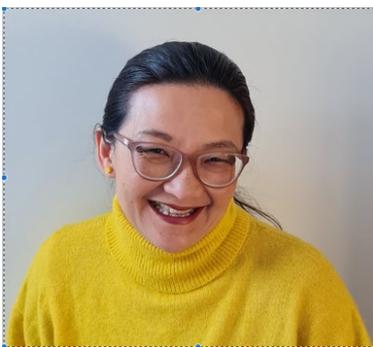
**“How has COVID-19 affected people
and their roles during the past year?”**

Thursday 11th November 2021,

1:40pm to 2:55pm



This is your chance to attend an online interactive symposium to ask those questions that you have always wanted to ask in a safe space. This year we have three amazing panel members who will provide their insight around this topic. Our panellists include:



Professor Lee-Fay Low, Professor in Ageing and Health, University of Sydney

Lee-Fay believes that every person irrespective of age or cognitive status should be supported to live as high quality a life as possible. Her main areas of research are in dementia and ageing, home and residential aged care particularly practice and culture change, rehabilitation for dementia, dementia literacy and stigma, and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

She is particularly interested in developing and evaluating interventions and knowledge implementation strategies to improve the life experience of older people. COVID-19 brought disruptions and opportunities to change course slightly both in her research work (e.g. online collaborations are the norm now) and in home life (where she's working on quality family and self-time).

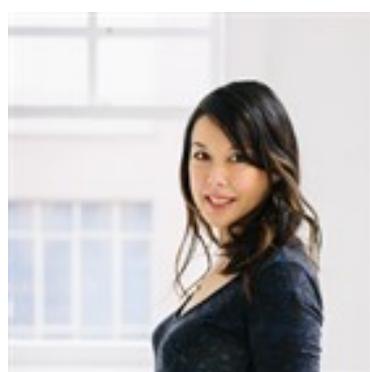


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Dr Anita Goh, Research Fellow at National Ageing Research Institute (NARI)

Anita is a clinician researcher, and as a clinical neuropsychologist, her research focuses on cognitive health, mental health and well-being, and quality of life in ageing, with a specialisation in neurodegenerative and psychiatric disorders. Anita is a research fellow and project manager at NARI, and also works at The University of Melbourne, and is an honorary clinician at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. Anita is the elected Program Chair of Alzheimer's Association International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment ISTAART Health Policy PIA - focused on the impact of health policy and health systems on dementia. She is also the Deputy Chair of AAG Vic Division, and Chair of the National Younger Onset Dementia Special Interest Group. Anita has been working from home during COVID-19 and home schooling her children.



Dr Matthew Carroll, Senior Research Fellow in the School of Rural Health, Monash University

Matthew is a Senior Research Fellow within the Monash School of Rural Health and is based at Churchill, in the Latrobe Valley. Matthew's research program has focused on healthy ageing including rural ageing, lifelong learning, social isolation, and the impacts of climate change and disasters. Since 2014 he has been one of the lead investigators on the Hazelwood Health Study, looking at the impacts of the 2014 Hazelwood mine fire. He is Co-Principal Investigator for the study and leads the Psychological Impacts stream as well as being involved in other stream activities. He is the National Convenor for the Emerging Researchers in Ageing initiative so is particularly interested in talking with the early career group about the challenges that they continue to face as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.