

## Seminars for new research students: Getting the Fundamentals

Please enrol at the first seminar.

**Tuesdays 11 am – 1 pm, Semester 2, 2009**

**Location: Room 133/ Building 72**

These seminars are for all new research students in the Faculty of Engineering. They will provide you with fundamental skills for reporting your research project during the first year of your candidature. Associate-Professor Chris Davies, Director Research Training in the faculty, will introduce a number of these seminars.

### **Seminar 1 Tuesday 18 August Conducting and writing a literature review**

Topics include: understanding the purpose of a literature review; how to carry out a literature review; how to organise and write the review. Some sample reviews will be analysed.

### **Seminar 2 Tuesday 25 August Writing a conference paper**

Topics include: understanding the purpose of a conference paper; how to write the Abstract; how to write each section of the paper. Some sample papers will be analysed.

### **Seminar 3 Tuesday 1 September Devising a poster**

Topics include: understanding the purpose of a poster; designing an effective poster; communicating your message clearly. Some sample posters will be analysed.

### **Seminar 4 Tuesday 8 September Giving an effective seminar presentation**

Topics include: how to devise an effective seminar presentation of your research; how to create good powerpoint slides; how to deliver your presentation. Some videotaped student presentations will be analysed for their strengths and weaknesses.

### **Seminar 5 Tuesday 15 September Giving a good conference presentation**

A successful conference presenter, Justin Leontini, discusses how he selected material to present and how he communicated his key results.

#### **For further information, please contact:**

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