

## Cultural Research Opportunities for Early Career Researchers

### Do Your DECRA at CCR

The Centre for Cultural Research at the University of Western Sydney constitutes a major national and international centre for the pursuit of engaged interdisciplinary cultural research. Rated 5 for Cultural Studies in the recent ERA rankings, UWS has developed CCR as a vehicle for coordinating interdisciplinary cultural research across the humanities and social sciences and as means of connecting Australian cultural research to relevant research overseas.

With the ARC's announcement of its new Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA), for funding commencing in 2012 (see the website: <http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/decra.htm>) and a University commitment of significant new funding, CCR is looking to invest in Australia's next generation of leading cultural researchers by supporting innovative and outstanding DECRA proposals.

### CCR Research Program

CCR's research program is currently organised through five research themes:

- **Knowledge Practices: Theory, Method, Engagement**
- **Intercultural Dialogue**
- **Institutions, Governance, Conduct**
- **Cultural Economy and Globalisation**
- **Culture, Nature, Environments**

From 2012, CCR will be expanding its activities to include Digital Cultural Research, Heritage Studies, and Cities and Urban Research.

### CCR Research and Researchers

CCR researchers approach culture as a vital dimension of social, political and economic life. Their practice-oriented, interdisciplinary research produces cutting-edge work in and across the fields of cultural studies, media studies, sociology, cultural and human geography, Asian studies, education studies, and museum and heritage studies.

Academic staff currently working full-time in the Centre include:

Professor Ien Ang (Director)  
Professor Tony Bennett (Research Director)  
Professor Bob Hodge  
Professor Donald McNeill  
Professor David Rowe  
Professor Deborah Stevenson  
A/Professor Brett Neilson  
A/Professor Greg Noble  
Dr Fiona Cameron  
Dr Megan Watkins (Convenor, Graduate Programs)  
Dr Tim Winter  
Dr Sonja Van Wichelen  
Dr Julie Thorpe

### Expressions of Interest

CCR will offer expert assistance to DECRA applications where these fit closely with one or more of aspects of its research program. To find out more about CCR, how your work might fit with ours, and how we might help you, please contact:

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