



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS  
FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

# NEWSLETTER #1

7 APRIL 2020

## Welcome to 2020 AAUT

Dear Colleagues,

We have entered unprecedented times.

The Government recently announced the closure of non-essential services with the intent of these measures to stem the spread of COVID-19.

Nevertheless, the government recognises the vital role of universities in our communities: educating our students, developing the workforce for the future, and continuing to develop new knowledge through our research.

Although, universities are being drastically affected by the global situation, many have rapidly transitioned their delivery to learning online, making significant adjustments to how they conduct their teaching and research.

To recognise the extraordinary work of our academics who are making major adjustments to their courses and taking on tasks beyond normal duties, Universities Australia (UA) have decided to continue to offer its awards scheme in 2020. This will ensure that the incredible efforts of our academics will not go unnoticed.

We acknowledge the difficult circumstances the sector is facing, but encourage you to support your academics to reflect on their creativity, innovation and leadership under this period of uncertainty.

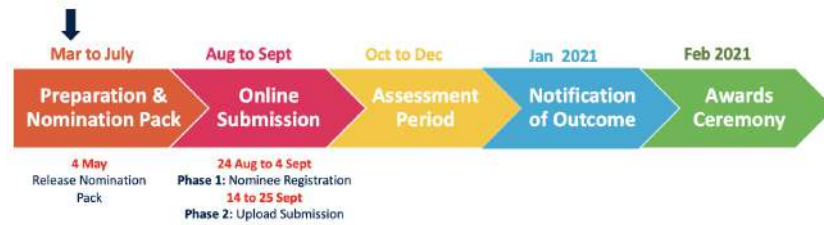
We appreciate your institution's continuous support for this prestigious award to recognise the outstanding efforts of in learning and teaching.

We look forward to receiving your institution's nominations.

Stay home, stay safe!

Professor Angela Carbone  
AAUT Awards Team Director





**NOTE:** The submission dates were delayed by two weeks to ensure academics can have enough time to frame an application.

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

## AAUT UPDATE

### 2019 AAUT Nominees' Feedback

All 2019 AAUT official letters and individual feedback were emailed to all respective institution ICO for distribution to the nominees. Please contact the awards team if you have not received it.

### 2019 AAUT Assessment Report



The Assessment report is divided into two sections: Section one comprises of assessment summary, general comments from assessors and awards committees on nominations and key recommendations to the sector. And section two contains the summary of the awards nomination and outcome.

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### 2019 AAUT Evaluation Results Summary



Thanks to everyone who completed the evaluation survey for 2019. Your feedback has been invaluable and we are working hard to improve the scheme based on your suggestions.

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### AAUT State-based Ceremony

**Western Australia:** Hosted by The University of Western Australia

[View WA Ceremony photos](#)

**Please note:** Due to the escalation of the Covid-19 situation, the events listed below are now postponed/cancelled until further notice.

- **New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory:** Australian Catholic University regrets that this event is now cancelled. Citation certificate will be sent to their ICO later on.
- **South Australia/Northern Territory:** Host by SANTPEN (South Australia and Northern Territory Promoting Excellence Network)
- **Queensland:** Host by The University of Queensland
- **Victoria/Tasmania:** Host by Swinburne University of Technology

## 2019 AAUT Teacher of the Year: The Psychology of Criminal Justice



From left: Mike Lansing (General Manager of UoQ), Associate Professor Blake McKimmie (The University of Queensland), Professor Barbara Masser (The University of Queensland) and Professor Deborah Terry (UQ of Queensland Australia). Photo: Denise McDonald/Getty

UQ School of Psychology Professor [Blake McKimmie](#), Professor [Barbara Masser](#) and Professor [Mark Horswill](#) transforms student learning by using a novel dramatic narrative to engage and motivate students to engage in evidence-based learning practices throughout the semester.



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## AAUT Resources



### UA-AAUT website

We are currently updating the website.

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### Institutional Contact Officer

See [here](#) for the updated ICO list. Please let us know of changes.

2020 AAUT OVERVIEW



The Australian Awards for University Teaching (AAUT) were established in 1997 by the Australian Government to celebrate and reward excellence in university teaching and has been administered by Universities Australia since 2018.

**2020 TIMELINE**

- MAR - JUL** Preparation for Submission
- AUG - SEP** Online Submission
- OCT - DEC** Assessment Period
- JAN 2021** Announcement of Winners
- FEB 2021** Award Ceremony

**AWARD TYPES**

- Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Outcomes)**
- Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Programs)**
- Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Teaching Excellence)**
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Award Type	Eligible	No. of entries	AAUT Submissions per institution	Prize money
1. Outcomes for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Outcomes)	Yes	100 to 1000	10	Nil
2. Outcomes for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Programs)	Yes	100 to 1000	2	TRC
3. Outcomes for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Teaching Excellence)	Yes	100 to 1000	3	TRC
4. Award for Outstanding University Teacher of the Year	Yes	1	Nil	TRC

### 2020 AAUT Brochure

Use the AAUT brochure to promote the awards in your institution. 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.



**SUGGESTIONS ON WRITING A SUCCESSFUL AWARD APPLICATION**

1. Read the award criteria carefully and understand what is being asked for.
2. Prepare a list of potential award winners and their institutions.
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### Tips on writing a successful award application

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