



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS  
FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

## NEWSLETTER

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### AAUT Awards Team Director

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back. I hope you all had some time to rest, relax and reflect over the summer.

This month I would like to acknowledge the work of the [2021 Awards Committee](#) for their contribution to this final round under the current leadership. Their dedication and expertise are greatly appreciated. I would also like to acknowledge [those committee members](#) who have supported us throughout these last four years.

Last December, I was honoured to present (virtually) with past AAUT Award recipients at the QUT Teaching Excellence Showcase on Learner Engagement in Challenging Times. For those of you who missed the event, it was recorded and the links are provided in the resources section below.

We look forward to the UA formal announcement of award recipients on 23<sup>rd</sup> February – save the date.

Finally, I'm pleased to announce that the AAUT will continue into 2022. Stay tuned for the revisions and further details, which will be revealed soon.

Stay safe, healthy and happy as we commence another year with a new COVID-19 variant.

Professor Angela Carbone  
**AAUT Awards Team Director**



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about the AAUT awards*

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*Note: Awards Team is currently  
working from home, please  
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you.*

## TIMELINE & KEYDATES



Click [here](#) for the 2021 AAUT Key dates.

## AAUT UPDATE

### Acknowledgement to Awards Committees

Please join us in thanking the 2021 AAUT Awards Committees for their contribution to AAUT and making the final recommendations before going to UA. Extra special thanks to the Committee Chairs: Professor Sally Kift; Professor Liz Johnson; Professor David Sadler and Professor Pip Pattison.



### Assessment Process Update

In early February, [Universities Australia \(UA\) Board of Directors](#) will endorse and sign-off on the final AAUT Award recipients list. Nominees are encouraged to watch the announcement for the outcome.



### Notification of Outcome to Institutions – Wednesday 16 Feb 2022

The notification of outcome to all institutions is planned to be released on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022. All results will be under embargo until UA makes their formal announcement the following week.

## Announcement of AAUT Award Winners for 2021

On Wednesday 23 February 2022, 4pm AEDT, UA will release their announcement video online on [AAUT-UA webpage](#).

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## All nominees can expect to receive their feedback letters on Monday 28 March 2022

Detailed feedback to all nominees will be sent to each Institutional Contact Officer (ICO) for distribution on Monday 28 March 2022.

## Evaluation Survey is now closed

Thanks to all ICOs, assessors and awards committee members who have taken the time to complete the survey. We appreciate your valuable feedback. We are currently collating the survey results and will provide a summary soon.



## AAUT RESOURCES

### QUT Teaching Excellence Showcase Learner Engagement in challenging times: Insights from national AAUT Award winners

Click on the links below for the presentation

- [QUT Teaching Excellence presentation slides](#)
- [Professor Angela Carbone \(RMIT University\)](#)
- [Associate Professor Jack Wang \(The University of Queensland\)](#)
- [Associate Professor Amy Maguire \(The University of Newcastle\)](#)
- [Associate Professor Alice Payne \(QUT\)](#)
- [Professor Richard John \(Griffith University\)](#)

The links will also be available on the AAUT-UA and AAUTN webpage.

**AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING**

As announced by the Australian Government, the 2021 Australian Awards for University Teaching will be held in 2021. The awards will recognize outstanding university teachers across Australia.

**AWARD TYPES**

**HOW TO NOMINATE**

**NEWS AND EVENTS**

range of

- Past newsletters
- Past awards ceremony booklets
- Past recipients video series

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**Spotlight**

**Microcredentials**

May 2021

This Spotlight highlights key publications on the topic of microcredentials. In the light of increased activity and Australian Government policy initiatives, it provides an overview of this issue as it relates to universities, with links to deeper reading.

From the Learning & Teaching Repository

**Higher education standards in a disrupted learning environment**  
Christine Swan  
This report outlines priorities and possible future developments for Australia in designing higher education. Based on national consultation, it identifies the challenges they pose to traditional approaches to quality assurance.

**Microcredentials: Final report of a L&T strategic priority project**  
Christine Swan  
This several project presented a focus on the affordances and potential pitfalls of microcredentials, networking across the sector nationally and globally to find new, efficient methods to assess outcomes and standards.

**Case studies: Better 21C credentials: Evaluating the practice, needs and dynamic potential of digital credentials**  
Analysis of 19 case studies against 5 criteria for excellent credentials that:  
1. communicate achievement of appropriate outcomes and standards  
2. are based on judgements of rich evidence created in response to authentic assessments  
3. measure assessment integrity  
4. balance time and money invested by the learner with benefits realized  
5. are sustainable

**Making micro-credentials work for learners, employers and providers**  
A report by Dr Sarah Professor Shelley Oliver defines a micro-credential as a certificate of assessed learning that is additional, alternative, complementary to or a component part of a formal qualification. It also highlights the potential role for UNESCO's International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED) as a classification for mapping education programmes and qualifications.

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Micro Credentials Spotlight



Australian Awarded University Teachers' Network (AAUTN)



## MENTORS

### SEARCH

Enter any keywords to search (e.g. First name, last name, institution and/or awarded year, awards type)



#### Professor Matt Bower

Awarded Year | 2020  
Awards Type | Teaching Award  
University | Monash University  
Current Position | Professor, School of Education  
Discipline | Education  
Email | matt.bower@monash.edu.au  
Online Profile | View



#### Associate Professor Michael Cowling

Awarded Year | 2020  
Awards Type | Teaching Award  
University | CDU University Australia  
Current Position | Associate Professor in Information & Communication Technology  
Discipline | Physical Sciences (specifically Computer Science)  
Email | m.cowling@cdpu.edu.au  
Online Profile | View



#### Associate Professor Jack T.H. Wang

Awarded Year | 2020  
Awards Type | Teacher of the Year  
University | The University of Queensland  
Current Position | Associate Professor in School of Chemistry and Molecular Biosciences  
Discipline | Science  
Email | j.wang@uq.edu.au  
Online Profile | View



#### Dr Amanda White

Awarded Year | 2020  
Awards Type | Teaching Award  
University | University of Technology Sydney  
Current Position | Senior Lecturer, Accounting Executive  
Discipline | Business, Law and Commerce  
Email | Amanda.W.White@uts.edu.au  
Online Profile | View



#### Professor Blake McKimmie

Awarded Year | 2018  
Awards Type | Teaching Award  
University | University of Queensland  
Current Position | Professor in Science or Physiology | Senior Fellow, Higher Education Academy (UK) | Principal Practitioner - Blended Learning  
Discipline | Humanities and Social Sciences  
Email | b.mckimmie@uq.edu.au  
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