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We acknowledge the Aboriginal people of the Awabakal and Darramurragal lands as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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Christian Education Research Centre (CERC)

Message from the Dean of Research & Research Training



A/Prof Peter Kilgour

After three years as the second Director of the Christian Education Research Centre, Dr Peter Williams officially moved on to another position in March 2024. Co-editor of the fourth book in the *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment* series, Peter was also active in our HDR program, renewed contacts with the Centre's adjuncts and conjoiners, and worked to further develop ties with Adventist Schools Australia during his tenure. We'd like to express gratitude for his leadership, enthusiasm, advocacy for HDRs candidates in giving them opportunities to present at research events, and strong reputation as a researcher, particularly in the areas of educational leadership, succession planning, organisational change, email intrusion, and work- life balance. We'd also like to welcome Dr Peter Beamish into the role of Director for this Centre.

Peter



Research Publications

Refereed Chapters in Books

- Fitzsimmons, P. (2023). Underwater (William Eubank, 2020) – Feminine self in the male psyche. In M. Teodorki and S. Bacon (Eds.), *The deep: A companion* (pp. 109-116). Peter Lang. (Cross-disciplinary publication with SSSRC)
- Fitzsimmons, P. (2023). Representations of the Eschaton and Dispensational Apologetics of the Undead: World War Z' through the lens of the apotelesmatic prism. In S. Bacon (Ed.), *Faith and the zombie: Critical essays on the end of the world and beyond* (pp. 196-215). McFarland. (Cross-disciplinary publication with SSSRC)
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- Northcote, M. (2023). The same but different: Reframing contemporary online education in higher education towards quality and integrity. In Information Resources Management Association (Ed.), *Research anthology on remote teaching and learning and the future of online education* (pp. 425-448). IGI Global. <https://doi.org/10.4018/978-1-6684-7540-9.ch022>

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Other Contributions

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Impact and Community

As in previous years, the numerous projects education researchers were involved with in 2023 continued to be wide-ranging, covering such areas as:

- Addressing school bullying
- The effects of pleasure reading and reflective journaling on academic performance of first year tertiary students
- An evaluation of the use of ecological indicators in a novel saltmarsh restoration project in the Hunter River, New South Wales, Australia
- An investigation of authentic learning opportunities from a school food garden program
- Addressing probability misconceptions held by primary education pre-service teachers
- Wellbeing of staff working in Higher Education
- Staff awareness of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Disability Standards for Education 2005 (Cth) Elaborations to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers - Focus Area 1.6: Strategies to support full participation of students with disability

Taking part in 4 different school visits for Experiment Day, researchers also provided feedback and endorsement of an eBook, peer-reviewed a book proposal, and were involved in presentations, training events, and Church/School Chapel services. In addition, they attended and presented at many different boards, conferences, and meetings:

- The Monthly NSW Council of Deans
- The Nutrition Society of Australia
- Australian Christian Early Childhood Educators Network
- Christian Schools Association Conference
- NESA Curriculum Reform
- Integricare Board
- Trans-European Division Quinquennial Education Convention, Aranđelovac, Serbia
- 2023 ASA/NZPUC Education Leadership Conference, Brisbane, Australia
- Deakin University live stream Panel Discussion
- Higher Education Research and Development Society of Australasia (HERDSA) 2023 Annual Conference, Brisbane, Qld, Australia

The inaugural annual Research Presentations also provided great opportunities for Education staff, adjunct & conjoints to come together. The first in February featured a thought-provoking talk from guest speaker Dean Bennetts on Christian Education in 2023 as well as the official launch of the fourth book in the *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment* series. The second event in August then gave both staff members and an education HDR candidate a platform to speak about their research to a wide-reaching forum online. 2023 also saw the publication of two issues of a brand new CERC newsletter for the centre's stakeholders.

Research Grants

Internal Grants

Projects

School Resistance – Lynnette Lounsbury

School Chaplaincy During School Lockdowns – Peter Williams

Emergency E-Learning – Lisa Barnes

External Grants

Projects

Perceptions held by Employees of Seventh-day Adventist Organizations of their Relationship to the Mission of the Church – Rob McIver, Peter Kilgour, Wendy Jackson, Sherry Hattingh, Stephen Currow, & Tony Williams

The Relationship Between School Climate and Faith Engagement in Schools – Kevin Petrie

CERC Board

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Lifestyle Medicine & Health Research Centre (LMHRC)

Message from the Director



Prof Darren Morton

The mission of the Lifestyle Medicine & Health Research Centre is to enhance health and wellbeing through high-impact research and community engagement. The year 2023 witnessed an impressive array of achievements and contributions from our researchers, showcasing our commitment to excellence and innovation.

Among the notable highlights of 2023, Prof Brett Mitchell's induction into the Nursing Hall of Fame stands as a testament to his outstanding contributions to Nursing research and practice. This prestigious recognition underscores the calibre of expertise and dedication within our research community. Similarly, the collaborative efforts of Prof Darren Morton and Simon Matthews in co-authoring a section of the Lifestyle Medicine Board Review curriculum for the International Board of Lifestyle Medicine exemplifies our commitment to serving the international academic community.

In 2023, researchers in the LMHRC attracted over 2 million dollars in research-related funding. Impressively, Prof Brett Mitchell received a 1.5-million-dollar research grant from the Medical Research Future Fund, which is in addition to a 1.5 million dollar grant he received in 2022. These funds will stand the LMHRC in good stead moving forward.

In addition to academic achievements, our researchers actively contribute to addressing pressing public health issues. A Lifestyle Medicine intervention created by Prof Darren Morton that targets mental health is being used in numerous countries to address the mental health crisis. Prof Renee Bittoun's advocacy against vaping and Assoc Prof Joanne Lewis's research on spirituality and nursing exemplify our commitment to addressing contemporary health challenges with evidence-based solutions.

The LMHRC Board also saw some changes in 2023 with the retirement of Dr Paul Rankin. Dr Rankin has made an outstanding contribution to championing Lifestyle Medicine and Health at Avondale University over a long period of time, both researching and teaching. Pam Townend, who leads a high-impact Lifestyle Medicine program in the South Pacific (called "10,000 Toes"), will be replacing Dr Rankin on the LMHRC Board and we look forward to her input and insights.

Overall, the achievements and initiatives outlined in this report underscore the LMHRC's unwavering dedication to advancing knowledge, fostering innovation, and making meaningful contributions to both academia and society at large.

Darren



Research Publications

Refereed Books

Shaban, R. Z., Mitchell, B. G., Russo, P., & Macbeth, D. (Eds.). (2023). *Healthcare-associated infections in Australia: Principles and practice of infection prevention and control*. Elsevier.

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Other Contributions

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Impact and Community

The LMHRC is dedicated to impactful research and scholarly endeavours in real-world contexts. In 2023, members of the LMHRC engaged in a variety of activities contributing to both the academic and broader communities:

Prof Brett Mitchell's Induction into Nursing Hall of Fame

Recognised for exceptional contributions to Nursing research and practice, Brett was inducted into the Nursing Hall of Fame in July 2023.

Co-authorship for International Board of Lifestyle Medicine

Simon Matthews and Prof Darren Morton co-authored a chapter on "Connectedness and Positive Psychology" for the Lifestyle Medicine Board Review curriculum. The chapter is accompanied by a recorded lecture on the topic, presented by the authors, which is integrated into the training materials.

Conference Presentations

- Prof Brett Mitchell presented four papers at the Australian College for Infection Prevention and Control (ACIPC) conference.
- Dr Mel Renfrew and Prof Darren Morton presented two papers at the American College of Lifestyle Medicine Conference (Denver, Colorado), with one paper receiving the "Excellence in Research" prize. They also presented at the Australasian Society Lifestyle Medicine Conference in Melbourne.
- Prof Daren Morton served as the invited MC for the Australasian Society of Lifestyle Medicine conference and ELIA Wellness conference (Sydney)

Contributions to Public Health

Prof Renee Bittoun's advocacy against vaping included serving on various committees, such as the Federal Government Advisory Committee on Vaping. Renee published an article in *The Conversation* titled "Passive vaping – time we see it like second hand smoke and stand up for the right to clean air", which attracted great interest and readership. Renee has also presented well-received short courses in Smoking Cessation and Tobacco Control throughout 2023.

Podcast Outreach

Prof Brett Mitchell hosts the widely listened to podcast "Infection Control Matters," reaching audiences in over 100 countries.

Research on Spirituality and Nursing

Assoc Prof Joanne Lewis was involved in a paper presented at the International Clinical Education Conference on Spirituality and Nursing and she is actively involved in ongoing research in this field.

Impactful Intervention

The Lift Project, which is a lifestyle medicine intervention that targets mental health and wellbeing created by Prof Darren Morton, has now had over 40,000 registrations from around 40 countries. In 2023, The Lift Project was used in educational, healthcare, workplace and community settings and the roll-out of the intervention serves as a large-scale implementation research project, creating a nexus between community impact and research.

Global Study on Wellbeing

Dr Peter Beamish has been involved in a study commissioned by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist Church. The study is a world-wide member initiative and includes measures of wellbeing.

Media Engagement

Several LMHRC members served as content experts in various media channels, notably radio (e.g., ABC National).

Research Grants

In 2023, researchers from the LMHRC obtained over 2 million dollars in funding to support its research activities. Most notably, Prof Brett Mitchell was the recipient of a 1.5-million-dollar competitive research grant from the Medical Research Future Funds—this is in addition to the competitive grant he received in 2022 to the same value (from the National Health and Medical Research Centre). Significant and growing funding has also been obtained through the LMHRC industry partner (Lift Lifestyle Medicine Pty Ltd), which is Directed by Prof Darren Morton.

In addition to the grant funding listed below, the LMHRC strategically invested reserve funding into a variety of initiatives to support the research activities and outputs of the Centre. Most notably, reserve funding was added to external research grant funding obtained by Prof Brett Mitchell to provide two fully funded PhD living allowance scholarships. The recipients of the scholarships were two early career researchers from the School of Nursing and Health, Michelle Chalker and Hannah Kent, who are working on projects under the supervision of Prof Brett Mitchell. The investment will be instrumental in growing the capacity and impact of the LMHRC into the future.

External Grants

Projects

Prevention of healthcare-associated pneumonia – Brett Mitchell, Sonya Dawson, and Maria Northcote (Medical Research Future Funds)

Establishing baseline rates for healthcare-associated infections in Philippine hospitals – Brett Mitchell (World Health Organisation)

The Northern Rivers Lift Project – Darren Morton, Mel Renfrew (Adventist Development and Relief Agency)

The Riverside County Lift Project – Darren Morton, Mel Renfrew (Lifestyle Medicine Foundation)

The Finger Lakes District Lift Project – Darren Morton, Mel Renfrew (Smola Consulting)

Caring for the carers – Darren Morton, Mel Renfrew (Hunter, New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network)

A lifestyle-based mental health program for people on a waitlist for psychological services – Darren Morton, Mel Renfrew, and Simon Matthews (Hunter, New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network)

LMHRC Board

LMHRC is grateful for the contribution of the following Board members:

A/Prof Peter Kilgour, *Chair*
 Prof Darren Morton, *Secretary*
 Kirsty Pearce, *Recording Secretary*
 Dr Peter Beamish
 Prof Brett Mitchell
 Dr Paul Rankin
 Dr Mel Renfrew
 A/Prof Joanne Lewis
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Scripture, Spirituality, & Society Research Centre (SSSRC)

Message from the Director



Prof Robert K. McIver

In 2023, the SSSRC benefited considerably by the appointment of Professor Tracie Mafile'o to a full-time research position at Avondale. She is the principal investigator for three new SSSRC projects commissioned in 2023: (1) The Adventist Families in Australia Study (commissioned on behalf of the Australian Union Conference); (2) GRIT in Ministry Study (commissioned on behalf of the NA Pacific Union); and (3) First Nations Community Development Study (commissioned by ADRA Australia). During this year, she was able to add several significant research projects to her existing research projects that span across Australia, New Zealand, and many of the Island nations of the South Pacific. Much of her time has been spent gaining permissions from the Avondale Human Research Ethics Committees, and in gathering data for these new projects.

Gathering data seems to be a theme of SSSRC-related research in 2023. Two research teams in particular headed by SSSRC Director Rob McIver were able to finalise the collection of data for two major projects they were conducting on behalf of the General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. One team, consisting of Professor Rob McIver (lead investigator), Dr Wendy Jackson, Dr Erika Puni, Dr Brendan Pratt, and Dr Stephen Currow, [collected survey data](#) from pastors in local Seventh-day Adventist Churches in all 13 Divisions of the world Adventist Church. In total, 12,760 Adventist pastors participated in this study. A preliminary report was considered by the leadership of the General Conference in mid-2023, with a final report available early in 2024 on [the ASTR website](#).

The second team associated with the SSSRC, consisting of Professor Rob McIver (lead investigator), Associate Professor Peter Kilgour, Dr Sherene Hattingh, Dr Wendy Jackson, and Dr Stephen Currow continued collecting data for the General Conference Institutional Workers Survey. By the end of 2023, 13,669 employees of Adventist organizations had participated in this survey, with data collected from all 13 Divisions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The final report of this survey will be also available [the ASTR website](#) by mid-2024.

Small research grants continue to be an important resource offered by the Scripture, Spirituality and Society Research Centre (SSSRC) at Avondale University. These grants allow significant research to be undertaken in area of society and culture, and one can trace their contribution to many of the publications reported by the SSSRC each year.

Among the publications associated with the research centre in 2023 is the book *Seventh-day Adventist health reform: A crucible of identity tensions* by R. B. Ferret, a work that has already gathered significant academic reviews. The list of publications also includes a further 32 articles submitted by Milton Hook, an adjunct of the SSSRC, to the online *Encyclopedia of Seventh-day Adventists*. We continue to celebrate his significant contribution to this important project.

Rob



Research Publications

Refereed Books

- de Waal, K. (2023). *Mission Shift Multiplying Disciples: Revised and Expanded*. Signs Publishing.
- de Waal, K., & Pratt, B. (Eds.). (2023). *The significant pastor: Leading in a disrupted world*. Signs Publishing
- Ferret, R. B. (2023). *Seventh-day Adventist health reform: A crucible of identity tensions*. Wipf & Stock.
- Williams, P., Skrzypaszek, J., & Williams, A. P. (2023). *Making tomorrow's church today: The lived experience of youth ministry*. Avondale Academic Press.

Referred Chapters in Books

- de Waal, K. (2023). Dependence and resilience in ministry. In K. de Waal & B. Pratt (Eds.), *The significant pastor: Leading in a disrupted world* (pp 147-162). Signs Publishing.
- Fitzsimmons, P. (2023). Underwater (William Eubank, 2020) – Feminine self in the male psyche. In M. Teodorki and S. Bacon (Ed.), *The deep: A companion* (pp. 109-116). Peter Lang. (Cross-disciplinary publication with CERC)
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- Skrzypaszek, J. (2023). Pastoral ministry: A framework for mission service that flows from the heart. In K. de Waal & B. Pratt (Eds.), *The significant pastor: Leading in a disrupted world* (pp. 126-146). Signs Publishing.

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Impact and Community

The General Conference leadership considered preliminary reports on two surveys, (1) the survey of church pastors in Adventist Churches in all Divisions of the world Seventh-day Adventist Church; (2) the survey of employees of Adventist organizations such as schools, Universities, Media Centres, Hospitals, and publishing houses in many different countries. These reports are being used in formulating the strategic plan of the Seventh-day Adventist Church developed by the General Conference.

Under the auspices of the SSSRC Prof Tracie Mafile'o is co-leading a Pacific elders community study in New Zealand, part of a larger study by "Modifiable Pathways to Sustainable Ageing in Aotearoa" research programme funded in 2023 by the Endeavour Fund, NZ Ministry of Business Innovation and Enterprise. The project overall is providing an evidence base for public policy design, providing key targets for government social policies and service delivery resulting in better life outcomes for older people.

Research Grants

Internal Grants

Projects

Faith and Career Decision Making in Pasifika Schools - Ben Archer

Investigating the Spirituality of Students in Adventist Schools: Broadening the Horizons - Phil Fitzsimmons & Barry Hill

Mimesis and aphormé in classical literature and in the Gospel of Luke - Hensley Gungadoo

Developing a Research Agenda: Collaborative and Impactful Research for Adventist Ministry and Education in Australia and New Zealand - Tracie Mafile'o

Youth Ministry: The Lived Experience - Peter Williams

External Grants

Projects

Global Pastor's Survey – Rob McIver (Office of Archives, Statistics, and Research of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists)

Perceptions held by Employees of Seventh-day Adventist Organizations of their Relationship to the Mission of the Church – Rob McIver, Peter Kilgour, Wendy Jackson, Sherry Hattingh, Stephen Currow, & Tony Williams

Modifiable Pathways to Sustainable Ageing in Aotearoa – Tracie Mafile'o (NZ Ministry of Business Innovation and Enterprise)

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Higher Degree by Research (HDR)

Director's Report



Professor Maria Northcote

Of our 34 enrolled HDR candidates for 2023, 6 were enrolled in the Master of Philosophy (MPhil) degree and 28 were enrolled in the Doctor of Philosophy PhD degree, including:

- 13 candidates (3 MPhil, 10 PhD) enrolled in the Society & Culture (09) FOE;
- 15 candidates (2 MPhil, 13 PhD) enrolled in Education (07) FOE;
- 4 PhD candidates enrolled in the Health (06) FOE;
- 2 candidates (1 MPhil, 1 PhD) are enrolled in the Management and Commerce/Business (09) FOE

Please find below a collation of the activities facilitated and organised through Research Services in relation to the Higher Degree Research Program in 2023:

Course Implementation and Candidate Experiences

- Revisions to the MPhil and PhD websites. The content and “look and feel” of the MPhil and PhD websites were completely rewritten. Our external consultant, Lesley White, and our Avondale colleague, Angela Jackson, worked closely with our Research Services staff to update the information on these two course sites. Changes were made to ensure the descriptions of the MPhil and PhD degrees are up-to-date, accurate and informative. The style of the two course sites will also be transformed in alignment with the overall Avondale website refresh.
- External consultation was undertaken during the review of HDR-related policies. A number of HDR-related and research-related policies were completely overhauled, and their new versions made available through the online Avondale policy collection in early 2024.
- Research Services are moving to fully manage all HDR enquiries and applications. This action was recommended by the external advisory panel during the most recent MPhil and PhD reaccreditation process. This change will streamline the application process and improve transparency and efficiency.
- To ensure we include the voices, experiences and requests of HDR candidates and supervisors in our Research & Supervisor Training Program, we continue to administer an evaluation survey (once or twice per year). The data gathered during this survey are used to inform the choice of future training events for candidates, supervisors and researchers at Avondale.

Research & Supervision Training Program

- To ensure the training events offered as part of the “Research & Supervisor Training Program” reach as many of our stakeholders as possible, we continue to invite a number of groups, including HDR candidates, HDR supervisors and Avondale’s researchers (including community members). This ensures that the “Research & Supervisor Training Program” is offered in a cohesive manner and that the people in all of these groups can avail themselves of the suite of workshops, panel sessions, writing sessions and communities of practice offered as part of this training program.
- During 2022, we were successful in being granted an Academic Strengthening Partnership grant (valued at AU\$120,000) from the Australian Government/Australia High Commission working in partnership with the Government of Papua New Guinea. The project was a collaborative initiative between staff at Pacific Adventist University in PNG and Avondale University titled *Capacity-building novice supervisors: Developing and implementing a co-*

designed supervision training program using a participatory approach. During this project, we co-constructed, facilitated and evaluated three supervisor training workshops for novice HDR supervisors at Avondale University and Pacific Adventist University. The training was targeted specifically at novice research supervisors with 0-4 years' experience. In addition to the valuable collaboration that was forged during this project between Avondale and PAU, the project's outcomes also included:

- The design, development and facilitation of three training workshops for novice research supervisors at Avondale and PAU. These workshops were offered in 2022 and 2023.
- An online Moodle site for supervisors titled "The Supervisor's Little Helper". This site provides resources, advice and guidance for HDR supervisors. The site is currently in the final stages of development and will be launched early in 2024.

Completions

At the end of 2023, three PhD candidates graduated from Avondale's HDR program:

- Vladka Henley, *An exploration into the factors that influence parents when choosing a faith-based school for their children: An Australian faith-based school system case study*
- Don Roy, *Morphogenesis of the mission of Adventist education in Australia between 1967 and 2020*
- Linda Cloete, *An investigation into the use of the Complete Health Improvement Program (CHIP) for reversing Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus*

Supervisor and Researcher Training

Our annual Research Training Calendar typically includes **the following types of events:**

- Research-focused workshops, panel discussions and presentations for candidates (supervisors and Avondale researchers are also invited), such as:
 - how to write a research proposal;
 - how to select a high-quality journal for publication of research outcomes
- Informal writing and networking events for candidates and supervisors to share ideas and support each other, such as:
 - HDR Hangouts
 - Informal discussions
 - Researcher lunches
 - Shut Up and Write sessions
- Supervision-focused workshops for novice and experienced supervisors, such as:
 - Getting started in HDR supervision
 - Respectful supervision principles and practices
 - Panel discussions on how to support HDR candidates
- Research presentations with Q&A hosted by Avondale research centres, researchers, HDR candidates, and the occasional external speaker.

The content and nature of our research training calendar **is informed by** the following:

- the ongoing needs of Avondale's HDR supervisors and candidates, and researchers (informed by evaluation data collected from training events; recommendations from the Research Committee and Deans; and feedback from HDR candidates and supervisors);
- national agendas and trends (e.g., as identified by the Australian Council of Graduate Researchers) and standards (e.g., Threshold Standards for Research and Research Training);
- Avondale's Strategic Plan and Research Plan.

Avondale Research

Research Training Events

Date	Type of event	Title of Event	Facilitator	Location	Invitees		
					HDR Candidates	HDR Supervisors	All Researchers
Thurs 23 Feb	Research event	CERC Speaker Event	Peter Williams	On Campus Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Mon 27 Feb	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Orientation for new MPhil & PhD candidates	Maria Northcote and Carie Browning	Online – Zoom	✓		
Mon 27 Feb	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Orientation for returning MPhil & PhD candidates	Maria Northcote and Rebecca Hawkin	Online – Zoom	✓		
Thurs 02 Mar	Q&A Panel	Research Training: Panel - Choosing and justifying your choice of methodology	Maria Northcote Panellists: Sonya Dawson Erika Puni Lea-Anne Smith	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Tues 07 Mar	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Kicking off 2023	Daniel Reynaud	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Wed 15 Mar	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Tips for engaging your readers	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 23 Mar	Training workshop	Supervisor Training: How can I best support my HDR candidates?	Maria Northcote External Panellists: Prof. Honglin Chen (University of Wollongong) Prof. Susan Kinnear (Central Queensland University) Prof. Tracie Mafille-o (Avondale University Massey University)	Online – Zoom		✓	
Wed 29 March	Research event	LMHRC Speaker Presentation	Darren Morton	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Wed 5 April	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Put a sock in it	Maria Northcote	Online - Zoom	✓	✓	
Tues 11 April	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Topping and Tailing your Thesis	Maria Northcote Lynnette Lounsbury (Guest presenter)	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓

AVONDALE RESEARCH

Date	Type of event	Title of Event	Facilitator	Location	Invitees		
					HDR Candidates	HDR Supervisors	All Researchers
Tues 18 April	Training workshop	Research Training: How to publish from your MPhil or PhD thesis	Maria Northcote Sue Joseph (Guest presenter)	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 27 April	Research event	SSSRC Presentation Event: How Preaching Changed in Melbourne During WW1	Rob McIver Daniel Reynaud	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 4 May	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Milestones not millstones Celebrating your achievements during the MPhil or PhD	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Thurs 11 May	Training workshop	Supervisor Training: The best of times, the worst of times – How to provide feedback to your HDR candidates	Maria Northcote Internal Panellists: Daniel Reynaud, Joanne Lewis, Darren Morton	Online – Zoom		✓	
Mon 15 May	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Signposts and signals to help your thesis reader	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 25 May	Research event	Research Services 5X5: Jill Pearce, Jenna Lynn, Clansi Rogers, Anthony Macpherson, Richard Morris	Peter Kilgour	On Campus Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Wed 14 June	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Automate the boring bits - Time-saving tricks for thesis writing	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 15 June	Induction/ Orientation	Supervisor Induction 1	Maria Northcote	On Campus		✓	
Wed 21 June	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Orientation/Induction Session 1 for HDR Candidates	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Wed 05 July	Research event	NAIDOC Research Seminar: First Nations Perspectives on Research and Education	Tracie Mafile'O	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Weds 12 July	Induction/ Orientation	Supervisor Induction 2	Maria Northcote	On Campus	✓	✓	
Weds 12 July	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Orientation/Induction Session 2 for HDR Candidates	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom			
Mon 17 July	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Re-orientation for continuing HDR Candidates	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Tues 18 July	Induction/ Orientation	HDR Re-orientation for continuing HDR Candidates (Repeat)	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓

AVONDALE RESEARCH

Date	Type of event	Title of Event	Facilitator	Location	Invitees		
					HDR Candidates	HDR Supervisors	All Researchers
Thurs 20 July	Induction/Orientation	Supervisor Induction 2 (Repeat)	Maria Northcote	On Campus		✓	
Tues 1 Aug	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Meet our new (and continuing) HDR candidates	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Wed 26 July	Induction/Orientation	HDR Orientation/Induction Session 3 for HDR Candidates	Maria Northcote	Recording	✓		
Mon 07 Aug	Induction/Orientation	HDR Re-orientation for continuing HDR candidates	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓		
Thurs 09 Aug	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Getting into the Rhythm of Writing	Daniel Reynaud	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Mon 21 Aug	Training workshop	Supervisor Training: Expectations & Relationships (Part 1 of 3)	Maria Northcote and Peter Kilgour	Online – Zoom		✓	
Thurs 31 Aug	Research event	CERC Research Presentation: Research Forum	Peter Williams Guest Presenters: Dr Michelle Ralston, Prof Tracie Mafile'o, Dr Lynnette Lounsbury, and Cassandra Pendlebury	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Tues 05 Sept	Training workshop	Supervisor Training: Management & Leadership	Maria Northcote, Peter Kilgour, Carie Browning, Kirsty Pearce, and Lynnette Lounsbury	On Campus		✓	
Weds 06 Sept	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Fun HDR Quiz (Ended up discussing data collection instead)	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Tues 12 Sept	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: How to Dodge the Dodgy Journals, Conferences and Publishers	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Weds 20 Sept	Training workshop	Research Training: ORCID Party	Peter Kilgour, Maria Northcote, Carie Browning, Kirsty Pearce	On Campus - Ella Hughes			✓

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Date	Type of event	Title of Event	Facilitator	Location	Invitees		
					HDR Candidates	HDR Supervisors	All Researchers
Tues 03 Oct	Research event	LMHRC Research Presentation: Mood Lifting Research	Darren Morton, Mark Mathieson	On Campus – Sydney Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 05 Oct	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout : Learning from those who have “been there, done that”	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Thurs 12 Oct	Training workshop	Supervisor Training: Feedback & Communication	Maria Northcote and Lynnette Lounsbury	Online – Zoom		✓	
Wed 18 Oct	Training workshop	Shut Up & Write: Endnote? Why not?	Maria Northcote and Paul Bogacs	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Thurs 26 Oct	Research event	SSSRC Research Presentation: Church Pastors Survey Results	Rob McIver, Erika Puni, Neil Thompson, Wendy Jackson	On Campus (Lake Mac) Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Mon 06 Nov	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: Methodology Showcase	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	
Mon 13 Nov	Writing support	Shut Up & Write: Graphics in Your Thesis	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Tues 21 Nov	Training workshop	Research Training: Researchers Getting Stuck and Unstuck	Maria Northcote	Online – Zoom	✓	✓	✓
Tues 05 Dec	Informal networking event	HDR Hangout: End of Year Celebration	Maria Northcote	On Campus (Lake Mac) Online – Zoom	✓	✓	

Collaborations and Industry Partnerships

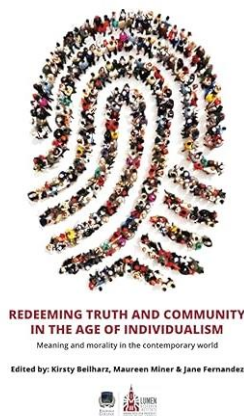
Industry-research partnerships by core BFoE and research centre

BFoE	Research Centre	Indicative Research Partnerships
06 Health	Lifestyle Medicine & Health Research Centre (est. 2013)	Lake Macquarie City Council, Lift Lifestyle Medicine, American College of Lifestyle Medicine, Australasian Society of Lifestyle Medicine, Global Lifestyle Medicine Alliance, Andrews University, Barker College, La Sierra University, Finger Lakes School District (USA), Richmond Valley Council, Monash University, University of Newcastle, Hunter Medical Research Institute, Central Coast Local Health District (NSW), Cabrini Health, MEZRIT, Queensland University of Technology, Alfred Health, GAMA Healthcare, Hunter, New England and Central Coast Primary Health Network, Lismore City Council, Ballina City Council, Tweed Valley City Council, Byron Bay City Council, Adventist Development and Relief Agency, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Sydney Adventist Hospital, Australian College of Nursing, Sigma Nursing, Clinical Excellence Commission (NSW), Duke NUS
07 Education	Christian Education Research Centre (est. 2013)	Christian Schools Australia (CSA), Adventist Schools Australia (ASA), South Pacific Division of Seventh-day Adventists
09 Society & Culture	Scripture, Spirituality & Society Research Centre (est. 2015)	Archives Statistics and Research (ASTR), Seventh-day Adventist Church (global)

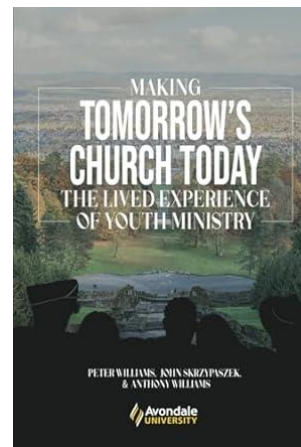
Avondale Academic Press

Since its inception in 1994, Avondale Academic Press has published 36 books, and two journals (*Teach Journal* is currently published).

2023 saw the publication of two books:



1. Kirsty Beilharz, Maureen Miner & Jane Fernandez, eds. *Redeeming Truth and Community in the Age of Individualism: Meaning and morality in the contemporary world*. [Search Amazon for 0645061387]
2. Peter Williams, John Skrzypaszek, & Anthony Williams, *Making Tomorrow's Church Today: The Lived Experience of Youth Ministry*. [Search Amazon for 064591410X]



The following books were published in the previous five-year period:

- 2022: Peter Williams and Kirsty Pearce, eds. *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment: In Celebration of Teaching*. [Search Amazon for 0645061360]
- 2022: Robert K. McIver. *Verbatim and Gist Parallels Between the Gospels: Coded Greek Synopsis and Selected Statistics*. 3rd ed. [Search Amazon for 0645061336 (paperback) or 0645061352 (hardcover)]
- 2021: Beverly J. Christian and Peter W. Kilgour, eds. *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment: Evidence & Impact*. [Search Amazon for 064506131X]
- 2021: Brad Watson, ed. *Remembering Mona Mona: The Mission in the Rainforest*. Co-published with Signs Publishing [Search Amazon for 192237346X]
- 2020: Peter W. Kilgour and Beverly J. Christian, eds. *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment: Making a World of Difference*. [Search Amazon for 0648470474]
- 2020: Lyndon Rogers, ed. *The Biblical Flood: The Context and History of Seventh-day Adventist Understanding*, 2nd ed. [Search Amazon for 0648470490]
- 2020: Robert K. McIver, Sherene Hattingh and Peter W. Kilgour, eds. *Education as Preparation for Eternity: Teachers in Seventh-day Adventist Schools in Australia and the Solomon Islands and Their Perceptions of Mission*. Co-published with Office of Archives Statistics and Research. [Search Amazon for 0648470458]
- 2019: Peter W. Kilgour and Beverly J. Christian, eds. *Revealing Jesus in the Learning Environment: Experiences of Christian Educators*. [Search Amazon for 0648470474]
- 2019: Robert K. McIver and Sherene J. Hattingh, eds. *Educating for Service and Mission: Teachers in Seventh-day Adventist Schools in North America and Their Perceptions of Mission*. Co-published with General Conference Office of Archives, Statistics and Research. [Search Amazon for 0648470431]
- 2018: Yvonne M. Terry-McElrath, Curtis J. VanderWaal, Alina M. Baltazar, and D. J. B. Trim, eds. *Promoting the Public Good: Policy in the Public Square and the Church*. Co-published with General Conference Office of Archives, Statistics and Research. [Search Amazon for 0987417258]
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- 2018: Terence J. Annable, Howard J Fisher, Maurice G. Ashton, and Jason K. Morton. *Denizens of the Dora: An Inventory of the Fauna of the Dora Creek Catchment, New South Wales*. [Search Amazon for 0987639269]
- 2018: Rose-Marie Radley. *Captain Jack Radley and the Heyday of the Fleet: The Story of Adventist Mission Boats in the South Seas*. Co-published with Signs. [Search Amazon for 9781925044812]

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With the exception of some co-published books, publications of Avondale Academic Press are available through either amazon.com or amazon.com.au.

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