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Research Fellows

ANU ENERGY CHANGE INSTITUTE
Message from the Director, ANU Energy Change Institute
The Australian National University (ANU) is unique in Australia. Ranked in the world top 20 by QS, and based in our capital city, ANU is charting a new strategic course to redefine the role of a contemporary national university.

Thank you for your interest in applying to be part of this truly unique and exciting opportunity to join the ANU Energy Change Institute in its mission to deliver Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia Pacific.

The Asia-Pacific will be responsible for two-thirds of global energy demand growth in coming decades. Meeting this demand with minimal carbon emissions is essential if the world is to avoid catastrophic climate change. Australia has a formidable set of geographic, climatic and institutional features which make it uniquely placed to help our region achieve this goal.

The ANU Energy Change Institute (ECI) combines world-leading research and teaching on the technologies, efficiency, policy, law, sociology and economics of moving to a sustainable and predominantly renewable energy future. The ECI are honoured and very proud to be the winners of this year’s ANU Grand Challenge, for their project – Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia Pacific.

The Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific project harnesses the existing research strengths at ANU and extends and integrates these to deliver research impact and outcomes. The ECI seeks to appoint world-class researchers across key relevant research areas. The successful candidates will have demonstrated research excellence in relevant area(s) and a demonstrable ability to contribute high-impact research as part of an interdisciplinary team.

I welcome your interest in joining the team that seeks to lead the world on research toward Zero–Carbon energy to Asia-Pacific. These appointments will form the core of a cross-campus team that will undertake transformative research underpinning a rapid, fair and sustainable energy transition in the region whose path will determine the fate of the entire world.

Professor Kenneth Baldwin
Director, ANU Energy Change Institute and ANU Public Policy Fellow
The Australian National University
The University
Australia’s #1 university

The Australian National University is one of the world’s foremost research universities. Distinguished by its relentless pursuit of excellence, the University attracts leading academics and outstanding students from Australia and around the world.

History
The University was established by the Commonwealth Parliament in 1946 specifically to lead the development of the intellectual capacity of the nation through research and research training in line with the best international standards. It is the only Australian university established by a Commonwealth Act of Parliament. In 1960, the University accepted responsibility for undergraduate education along with an expectation that the highest standards of education would be achieved.

Scale
The University has 4,094 staff, 12,827 undergraduates and 12,534 postgraduate students. Its annual revenue exceeds $1.0 billion and consolidated assets are worth $2.5 billion.

Partnerships
The University has strong links with leading research institutions in Australia and overseas. It is a founding member of the International Alliance of Research Universities, a co-operative network of 10 eminent international research-intensive universities which includes:

- University of Cambridge
- University of Oxford
- University of California, Berkeley
- Yale University
- Peking University
- National University of Singapore
- University of Tokyo
- University of Copenhagen
- ETH Zurich

Research-intensive education
As the specially-chartered national university, the University conducts research at the highest levels in all of its colleges, and offers a unique research-led education to undergraduate and postgraduate students as well as postdoctoral fellows.

The University advances the national intellectual and creative capacity in three key ways:

1. Through broad-based research and research-intensive education in the disciplines fundamental to all knowledge: the humanities, the sciences and the social sciences,

2. By supporting research and research-intensive education in a spectrum of professional disciplines, and

3. By studying Australia in its various contexts.

It is the aim of the University to achieve its objectives by creating an inspirational working environment for all its staff, students and visitors.

In each of its endeavours, the University strives to achieve at the levels of the world’s great universities.

Location
The University campus has over 200 buildings and occupies 145 hectares adjacent to the city centre of Canberra. The University also has a number of smaller campuses:

- Mount Stromlo Observatory (west of Canberra)
- Siding Spring Observatory (near Coonabarabran, western New South Wales)
- North Australia Research Unit (Darwin, Northern Territory)
- Kioio (coastal campus near Bawley Point, on the New South Wales South Coast)
- ANU Medical School – The Canberra Hospital campus
- ANU Medical School – Calvary Hospital
- Health Facilities in South East New South Wales

Further information about ANU can be found at anu.edu.au/about
University Colleges

ANU has seven academic colleges, each housing the schools and research centres that contribute to the various broad disciplines. The ANU Colleges link research and teaching at undergraduate, postgraduate and higher degree levels. They undertake world-class research and provide education programs at the highest standards.

The University recognises the need to strengthen strategic planning, align administrative support with these plans and ensure consistency of policy and procedure. The aim of the college structure is to promote and formalise cooperation among the different contributors to disciplines in ANU.
ANU College of Arts & Social Sciences

The ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (CASS) is the research and education college for the broad disciplines of the creative arts, humanities and the social sciences. The College has two research schools - the Research School of Social Sciences and the Research School of Humanities and the Arts – that cover the main disciplines to deliver leading research and degree programs.

> cass.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Asia & the Pacific

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (CAP) hosts the largest assembly of scholars dedicated to working on Asia and the Pacific in the English-speaking world. Organisationally the College comprises three large Schools - the School of Culture, History and Language (CHL); the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs; and the Crawford School of Public Policy - and two Research Centres: the Regulatory Institutions Network (RegNet) and the Australian Centre on China in the World.

> asiapacific.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Science

The College consists of the Research Schools of Physics and Engineering, Earth Sciences, Chemistry, Astronomy and Astrophysics, and Biology, plus the Fenner School of Environment and Society, the Mathematical Sciences Institute, and the Australian Centre for the Public Awareness of Science. Academic staff within the ANU College of Science undertake world leading research and deliver research-led education on issues of global importance, supported by extensive international networks and world class facilities.

> cos.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Business & Economics

The ANU College of Business and Economics (CBE) seeks to advance knowledge through high quality education and research in the closely related areas of accounting, actuarial studies, business information systems, econometrics, economic history, economics, finance, international business, management, marketing and statistics. It endeavours to do this through the provision of a range of undergraduate and graduate programs, and through its research, publications and contributions to the associated professions, commerce, industry and government.

> cbe.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science

The ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) comprises of the Research Schools of Engineering and Computer Science, and the 3Ai and Cyber Institutes. It offers undergraduate degrees in engineering, information technology and computer science along with masters and doctoral postgraduate programs. The College undertakes basic and applied research in information and communications technologies, materials and manufacturing, formal methods and logic, machine learning and vision, robotics and energy systems.

> cecs.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Law

The ANU College of Law (CoL) is Australia’s national law school, committed to legal research and education at the highest level, and to striving for continuous improvement in the law for the benefit of national and international communities. The ANU Law School offers LLB Hons and Juris Doctor (JD) degrees, a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice through the School of Legal Practice, and postgraduate research and coursework degrees.

> law.anu.edu.au

ANU College of Health & Medicine

The ANU College of Health and Medicine comprises the ANU Medical School, the John Curtin School of Medical Research, the Research School of Psychology and the Research School of Population Health. These schools work together to deliver world-class research and education across the spectrum of medicine and health-related fields, working in partnership with the health sector at local, national and international levels.

> chm.anu.edu.au

Further information can be found at
anu.edu.au/about/academic-colleges
Our Vision & Values
Our Vision

- Contemporary ANU will sit among the great universities of the world, and be defined by a culture of excellence in everything that we do.
- We will be renowned for the excellence of our research, which will be international in scope and quality, always measured against the best in the world. Our research investment will be strategic, taking a long-term view and focus on high-quality activities, high-impact infrastructure and areas of high national importance.
- We will be renowned for the excellence of our undergraduate and graduate education: excellence in student cohort, excellence in teaching, excellence in student experience, and excellence in outcomes.
- We will be renowned for the quality of the contribution our research and education make to societal transformation. We will identify emerging areas of need for the nation and provide research and education that will equip Australia to cope with challenges not yet imagined.
- ANU research, education and contributions to public policy-making will change Australia and change the world. It will have impact.

Our Values

- We bring a distinctive excellence to our work and have the confidence to pursue original ideas.
- We are inclusive, open and respectful, reflecting the diversity of our nation.
- We are committed to integrity and ethical behaviour.
- We value, enable, reward and celebrate collegiality.
- We embrace informed risk-taking in pursuit of our objectives.
- We are committed to better outcomes for our community, the environment, our nation and the world.
- We are committed to the service of our nation, through original thinking and through courage in advancing our ideas.
Excellence in education & student experience

Great research by outstanding staff creates the right environment for the highest quality education
Innovative teaching and learning

Our graduates will have a positive influence on the future. They are passionate, creative and capable of solving critical problems not yet imagined. They create and apply knowledge to improve the lives of people, the nation and the world.

In achieving the vision of a contemporary ANU, sitting among the great universities of the world, defined by a culture of excellence (ANU Strategic Plan 2017 – 2021), the University is committed to high quality learning and teaching.

This commitment acknowledges that students are the centre of learning and teaching at ANU. A partnership between students, academics, professional staff and the University forms the foundation for excellence in learning and teaching.

The Vision for Excellence in Learning and Teaching requires commitment and leadership across the University and at all levels. The University values, enables, rewards and celebrates excellence in learning and teaching.

Four key interdependent pillars – engaged students, inspirational academics, an enriching environment, a connected community – provide a frame of reference for aligning focus and effort to continuously improve the outcomes of learning and teaching at ANU.
The Position Descriptions
Appointments will be across a range of relevant research areas at Research Fellow (Academic Level B - C). Appointees will contribute to world-leading, high-impact research, underpinning Australia’s transition to becoming a renewable energy super-power.

Located within the Energy Change Institute, associated with the Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific Grand Challenge, the appointee will report to the Director, Energy Change Institute.

As an academic member of the Energy Change Institute, the appointee will be required to contribute to research, education and outreach agendas both nationally and internationally in a manner that is appropriate to the level of appointment. Education activities may include the supervision of research, professional and administrative support staff involved in the staff member’s research. More senior appointments may also be asked to supervise or mentor less senior staff and undertake general leadership roles as applicable.

We are looking for talented researchers to help us drive a fair, rapid, and sustainable energy transition in the Asia-Pacific. Our primary criterion is demonstrated research excellence relevant to the project. An interdisciplinary background is not required but highly desirable, and successful applicants will enthusiastically engage in interdisciplinary, high-impact research as part of a multi-disciplinary team. We are hiring researchers in:

- Economics and energy market economics;
- Law;
- Political science;
- International relations;
- Sustainability transitions;
- Chemical engineering;
- Computational chemistry; and,
- Energy systems modelling.

Role statement:

- Undertake high impact independent research with a view to publishing original and innovative results in international refereed journals, present research at academic seminars and at national and international conferences, and collaborate with other researchers at a national and/or international level.
- Actively seek and secure external funding including the preparation and submission of research proposals to external funding bodies.
- Supervise students working on individual or group projects at undergraduate, honours, graduate-coursework levels. Supervision of research students.
- Lead, supervise and develop less senior academic and research support staff in your research area.
- Proactively contribute to all aspects of the operation of the Institute and College. This may include representation through committee membership at more senior levels.
- Lead outreach activities including to prospective students, research institutes, industry, government, the media and the general public.
- Maintain and actively promote high academic standards in all education, research and administration endeavours.
- Take responsibility for their own workplace health and safety and not wilfully place at risk the health and safety of another person in the workplace.
- Other duties as required consistent with the classification level of the successful position.
1. A PhD, or equivalent research experience, with a track record of independent research in the field of either economics and energy market economics; law; political science; international relations; sustainability transitions; chemical engineering; computational chemistry; energy systems modelling; and/or related areas, as evidenced by publications in peer-reviewed journals and conferences, a record of developing and maintaining collaborations and by other measures such as awards, invitations to give talks at leading conferences etc.

2. Evidence of the ability to articulate and prosecute innovative research in the field of either economics and energy market economics; law; political science; international relations; sustainability transitions; chemical engineering; computational chemistry; energy systems modelling; and/or related areas and a vision for the activities they will undertake at the ANU.

3. An ability and commitment to win bids for competitive external funding to support individual and collaborative research activities.

4. The ability to supervise and graduate high quality PhD/Masters research students

5. Excellent oral and written English language skills and a demonstrated ability to communicate and interact effectively with a variety of staff and students in a cross-disciplinary academic environment and to foster respectful and productive working relationships with staff, students and colleagues at all levels.

6. A demonstrated high-level understanding of equal opportunity principles and a commitment to the application of these policies in a University context.
Selection criteria
Research Fellow, Level C

Academic Level C

A Level C research academic will make independent and original contributions to research, which have a significant impact on their field of expertise. The work of the research academic will be acknowledged at a national level as being influential in expanding the knowledge of their discipline. This standing will normally be demonstrated by a strong record of published work or other demonstrated scholarly activities.

A Level C research academic will provide leadership in research, including research training and supervision.

1. A PhD or equivalent research experience, with a strong track record of independent research in the field of either economics and energy market economics; law; political science; international relations; sustainability transitions; chemical engineering; computational chemistry; energy systems modelling; and/or related areas, as evidenced by cited publications in peer-reviewed journals and conferences, a record of developing and maintaining collaborations and by other measures such as awards, invitations to give talks at leading conferences etc.

2. A track record of articulating and prosecuting innovative research and a vision for the activities they will undertake at the ANU.

3. A record of winning bids for competitive external funding to support individual and collaborative research activities.

4. A track record of successfully supervising and graduating high quality PhD/Masters research students.

5. Excellent oral and written English language skills and a demonstrated ability to communicate and interact effectively with a variety of staff and students in a cross-disciplinary academic environment and to foster respectful and productive working relationships with staff, students and colleagues at all levels.

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ANU Grand Challenges Scheme

The ANU Grand Challenges Scheme calls on researchers to identify a problem or challenge that research can address.
The ANU Grand Challenges Scheme will reward vision, imagination, and reasoned logic which shows how distinctive ANU research will impact on global issues.

The specific objectives of the scheme are to:

- Tackle pressing social and/or technological problems too complex for a single disciplinary approach.
- Create unusually creative high-risk / high-reward interdisciplinary opportunities not being advanced elsewhere, and unlikely to be funded through traditional, competitive funding schemes (e.g., ARC/NHMRC/ARENA).
- Expose the next generation of researchers and scholars to the benefits of interdisciplinary collaboration and create research leadership opportunities for Early Career Researchers.
- Recognise and reward leadership, research excellence, and collaborative and collegial behaviour.
- Create platforms for future research funding.

The ANU Grand Challenges Scheme will address the objectives of the ANU Strategic Plan 2017 – 2021. The Scheme will draw funding from the National Institutes Grant, to ensure that ANU delivers on its unique national responsibilities, conducting research with global relevance and impact.

One Grand Challenges winner will be announced each year from 2017 – 2021. Grand Challenges winners will receive up to $10M over a period of five – ten years. Through the process of the Grand Challenges Scheme, other compelling research initiatives will be identified and actively supported through the investment of ANU funds and resources.

Solutions to the world’s most intractable problems are likely to come from collaboration across diverse disciplines and stakeholders. The Grand Challenges Scheme aims to focus the creativity and talents of researchers from a range of disciplines around one ambitious goal. ANU researchers across all disciplines are strongly encouraged to be involved, reflecting ANU research strengths in both the humanities and the sciences.
Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific

The ANU Energy Change Institute’s Grand Challenge will undertake inter-disciplinary research to underpin a transformation in the way Australia trades with the Asia-Pacific – based on renewable energy.
The ANU Energy Change Institute's Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific Grand Challenge project will catalyse the development of a major renewable energy export industry from the ground up: building the infrastructure, exploring the trade relationships, developing the policy frameworks to get Australia’s abundant renewable energy resources cheaply and reliably to our Asia-Pacific neighbours.

It will be developed under two key themes, by exporting Australian renewable electricity, and the creation of renewable electricity capability in the Asia-Pacific and by the development of zero-carbon embedded energy products made using Australian renewable energy.

Our Grand Challenge recognizes that Australia is a renewable-energy, resource-rich nation, whose immediate neighbours in the Asia-Pacific will account for two-thirds of the world’s energy demand growth in the coming decades. Decarbonizing that additional energy use and cutting existing emissions from the region are essential if the world is to have any chance of meeting its goals for limiting climate change.

In a rapidly decarbonizing world, Australia’s carbon-based exports will soon have to be replaced by zero-carbon embedded energy exports in order to maintain our role as an energy superpower.

Our Grand Challenge will undertake inter-disciplinary research to underpin a transformation in the way Australia trades with the world and with the Asia-Pacific, based on renewable energy.

» View the Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific Grand Challenge proposal video - Watch it here

Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific Grand Challenge will investigate four socio-technological pathways that integrate social, legal, economic, political and technological solutions. The first two pathways involve reducing the carbon content of electricity consumed in the region via:

> Large-scale renewable electricity generation for North Western Australia, and also for export via subsea cable.
> Policies and frameworks for renewable electricity generation and use in other Asia-Pacific countries.

The other socio-technological pathways embed our zero-carbon energy in exports via:

> Large-scale renewable electricity production of hydrogen-rich fuels and other products.
> Large-scale renewable refining of metal ores (especially iron).

Our aim is to produce high-quality, high-impact research by combining world-class expertise in Energy, the Asia-Pacific and Indigenous Policy in an inter-disciplinary research program. We will enhance our existing expertise by establishing a team of early/mid-career researchers who will partner with our industry collaborators – particularly in the Asian Renewable Energy Hub (AREH) - to investigate key research questions.

» View the full five-page Grand Challenge proposal - Read it here

Two-thirds of global energy-demand growth will occur in the Asia-Pacific

Primary energy demand, 2035 (Mtoe)
Our responsibility to Indigenous Australia

As Australia’s national university one of our defining roles has been to contribute to the advancement of Australia’s Indigenous peoples.

We contribute by graduating Indigenous students, as well as through game-changing research and direct engagement. Delivering on our Unique National Responsibilities with Indigenous communities. We provide an environment for debating the big issues and partnering with Indigenous Australia to advance the status, recognition and lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Although the proportion of Indigenous students at ANU is high by the standards of some of our peer universities, we remain far from parity with the population at large for undergraduates. The proportion of postgraduate and higher degree students is lower again, as is the proportion of professional and academic staff. Through targeted activities we will work towards achieving parity with the proportion of Indigenous Australians in the overall population.

Research focused on Indigenous issues is broad in scope and has made a substantial contribution. ANU has strong Indigenous research leaders in a number of disciplines. However, our continued salience requires constant attention to impact, partnership with Indigenous communities and a commitment to novel and multidisciplinary approaches to our work.
Achieving equity

ANU is committed to equity and diversity as fundamental values. Australia has a diverse population and we are committed to providing opportunities and an inclusive and welcoming environment, to those of all backgrounds and identities.

As Australia’s National University, we have a responsibility and an obligation to educate students from across Australia who have the capacity to succeed, no matter their background. It is for this reason that we have launched a pioneering program to transform the way we do admissions. We are undertaking an international first to link our admission, scholarship, and accommodation processes so that when we make a student an offer to university, they will at the same time know where they will be living and whether they have a scholarship to support them. We are reserving a place for domestic students in the top 2% of every school in Australia who have the capacity to succeed, ensuring students have access to a world class education no matter the socio-economic status of their school.

Alongside this we are undertaking a major scholarship drive to remove the financial barrier for some of our most capable but most disadvantaged students, whether they be indigenous, suffering a long term disadvantage, low-SES, or from interstate regional and remote areas. We now have a single application form that allows both excelling and disadvantaged students to access more than 200 scholarship opportunities across campus by answering just four questions. And we are looking at the whole person, requiring all undergraduate applicants to have engaged beyond the classroom to support themselves, their family or their community, to clearly signal the importance of engagement beyond studies to both academic and employment success.

Athena Swan

ANU has committed to the SAGE Pilot of Athena SWAN in Australia. Athena SWAN is an accreditation program that recognises, promotes and rewards excellence in advancing gender equity and diversity. ANU became an inaugural member of the SAGE Pilot project in 2016.

While the focus of the SAGE pilot is on Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medicine (STEMM) disciplines, ANU is also committed to gender equity in the Humanities and Social Science disciplines, as well as in our professional staff.
One of the world's most liveable cities
The power of surprise

Canberra has the power to surprise, with its abundance of food, wine, art, culture, ideas and innovation. As an evolving city, this element of surprise continues even once you’ve made Canberra your home, with new developments, events and opportunities constantly emerging to keep life interesting.

About Canberra
Canberra is also a planned city – designed to maximise opportunities for work and play. As our Nation’s Capital, big ideas emerge, circulate and grow here, thanks to unique links between leading thinkers in business, government, education and research. Our dynamic economy, highly educated workforce and an innovative business culture provide career and business opportunities unique to Canberra.

Our healthy appetite for outdoor pursuits is enhanced by the natural resources available: from sailing on Lake Burley Griffin, mountain biking at the world class Mount Stromlo facility or heading up to the Snowy Mountains for a day on the slopes. We are also home to most of Australia’s major national cultural institutions, with whom the University has a close relationship, and a cultural calendar overflowing with international exhibitions, arts festivals and entertainment.

Where to Live
The architects who designed Canberra, Walter and Marion Burley Griffin, had a master plan to create a series of ‘satellite cities’ separated by nature reserves and connected with major roads. Today their vision lives on, with Canberra divided into seven distinct regions of residential suburbs, each serviced by a central business district.

The resulting benefits are that commuting times are short. Employment hubs are virtually on your doorstep and recreational facilities are within walking distance, regardless of where you live.

Find information on each district and the suburbs contained within them through the ‘Explore Canberra’ map.

Education and Childcare
Canberra nurtures the pursuit of dreams from the ground up. Here families are provided with the supportive services, facilities and environments to raise happy, inspired and resilient children. Community is crucial for the support of families and Canberra has a number of ways to connect families with each other through playgroups, family events and activities.

Find out more about Canberra’s excellent childcare, preschool and school system here.

Further information about Canberra visit canberra.com.au

Canberra has the lowest commuting times of all Australia’s major cities

More than 25% of Canberra residents were born overseas

The region is known for four distinct seasons, enjoying 246 days of clear, crisp sunshine
How to apply

For a confidential discussion about the role, please contact Dr Emma Aisbett, Grand Challenges Transdisciplinary Research Leader.

To submit an application for this role, please provide the following information in Microsoft Word format:

1. A candidate statement which outlines both your vision for the role and an overview of your experience and skills as it relates to the parameters of the role and selection criteria.
   This should be a narrative and no more than five pages.

2. A one page vision on your contribution to the Grand Challenge, and to a multidisciplinary team.

3. A detailed CV.

4. Three referees including their email and phone contact details.
   Referees will only be contacted after prior consultation with the candidate. It is the candidate’s responsibility to ensure referees are willing to provide reports when contacted.

5. An indication of the earliest date on which you could commence in the position.

**For a confidential discussion regarding this role and the application process, please contact:**

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**Anticipated timeframe for the appointment process.**

Applications close:  
Wednesday, 13 February 2019

Shortlisting of candidates:  
Late February 2019

Interviews:  
Early March 2019, in Canberra ACT

References and negotiation:  
Thereafter.

ANU reserves the right to appoint by invitation.

On behalf of the University and as part of the application and appointment process, candidates may be requested to provide proof of their identity and citizenship and give permission for verification of their tertiary qualifications and a police background check.