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Welcome to the ANU College of Business and Economics' alumni update.

First semester has recently concluded, with the ANU College of Business and Economics' (CBE) staff and students working remotely, and all events, meetings and lectures held online. I would like to thank our staff and students for all of their exceptional work, and to acknowledge how well they have managed the changes that were necessary during the semester.

I would also like to thank the many alumni who generously helped the College during the semester. I know that our students and other alumni enjoyed the opportunity to hear from and engage with many of you during our virtual events.

During this difficult time, our thoughts are with our alumni and students affected by the lockdowns in Victoria and elsewhere – we wish them well and hope they and their loved ones are safe.

For the time being, our alumni events will remain online. We look forward to interacting with our alumni in-person again, but for now we encourage you to enjoy the College's suite of virtual offerings, which can be found on our [events](#) page. If there are other ways we could engage with you, please let us know by emailing alumni.cbe@anu.edu.au.

I hope you continue to look after yourselves during this time.

Be well and stay safe,

Professor Steven Roberts

Dean, ANU College of Business and Economics

Alumni accomplishments

Congratulations to the CBE alumni and External Advisory Board members recognised in the 2020 Queen's Birthday Honours

Professor Bruce Chapman AO was named an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for his service to higher education, particularly in the field of economics and public policy, and to professional societies.

Professor Ian Harper AO FASSA was recognised for his service to education in the field of economics, as well as his contributions to public and monetary policy development and reform as inaugural Fair Pay Commissioner, and as a Board member of the Reserve Bank, among other roles.

Scott Pape OAM was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for his service to the community and to financial education.

Congratulations to the following CBE alumni for their recent appointments

Senator Mohd Radzi Md Jidin was appointed as the Malaysian Minister of Education in March. He was previously Deputy Economic Affairs Minister and is currently one of four Senior Ministers appointed by the Malaysian Prime Minister.

The Hon Gary Gray AO was recently appointed as Australia's Ambassador to Ireland. In 2021 Australia will commemorate 75 years of diplomatic relations between the two countries.



Leaping forward

ANU, Harvard and now Stanford – CBE alumnus Matthew Jacob reflects on where his diverse academic pathways have taken him.



The sky is the limit

ANU alumna and RBA economist June Ma recounts her journey to Harvard University.



‘Grandfather of HECS’ recognised

CBE alumnus and senior academic Professor Bruce Chapman AO reflects on the honour of being named an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO). He also shares his thoughts on income-contingent loan schemes and his current projects.

Upcoming *Virtually in the Know* with CBE events



Top Tax Tips

Thursday 23 July, 6.30–7.30pm

[Register now »](#)

Do you have questions about working through COVID-19 and what deductions you may be entitled to? Join alumnus Graeme Brown, Partner of The Firm, in a webinar that will explore taxation tips and ideas to make the most of your upcoming tax returns.



Venture Capital During a Pandemic

Friday 14 August, 6.30–7.30pm

[Register now »](#)

COVID-19 has reshaped global commerce, requiring companies to re-prioritise the strategic directions of their businesses. Hear venture capitalists discuss their perspectives on the key trends, opportunities and challenges associated with the survival and thriving of different market sectors.

Recent alumni events



If you have missed out on any of our recent virtual events it isn't too late to see them.

[Click here](#) to view the sessions we have held so far, including the Yin and Yang of Business – a two-part alumni series with Intelledox founders **Michelle Melbourne** and **Phillip Williamson** on High Performing Teams and Technology Transfer.

Alumni stories



Taking centre stage: Team Australia at Expo 2020

CBE alumnus Justin McGowan, Australia's Commissioner General for Expo 2020 Dubai, discusses what Australia has to offer to the world's "Business Olympics".



Learning the language of business

As his three extraordinary years of learning draw to an end, CBE graduand Shuai He admits feeling sentimental yet fortunate as he recollects his unique student experiences and shares his next scholarly destination.

A front row view of global finance

ANU alumna Cathie Armour, a Commissioner of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, sheds light on how financial and legal systems contribute to community wellbeing.



Thought leadership in risk management

CBE alumna Dr Laura Ryan discusses how COVID-19 has redefined investor expectations, the evolution of statistical modelling and her unique experience at CBE, where she's been an Honours student, a PhD candidate and a lecturer.

Alumni initiatives



Alumni Reflections

CBE alumni share what led them to their chosen career paths, the lessons they have learned along the way and their advice for students.



CBE Alumni Network (Canberra)

A recently proposed network by active CBE alumni in Canberra is currently under works. Please [click here](#) if you would like to be involved in the network's Steering Group.



Share your knowledge and support the next generation of CBE graduates.

Be part of the College's flagship mentoring and professional development program – [MomentuM](#). Mentor EOIs are now open for our July - November 2020 cohort. [Apply now](#).

Engage with us

Join free virtual events open to students, alumni and the public.



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