



AMSI News

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Introducing our Research and Higher Education team

AMSI has recently welcomed new key staff to our Research and Higher Education program. This key area has responsibility for the Summer School, Winter School, BioInfoSummer, AMSI Optimise and Vacation Research Scholarships along with the Research Workshops and the ACE network. Many of you will know Maaike Wienk and Liam Williamson, and our new manager, Chloe Pearse, and her colleagues are looking forward to meeting you at our member and committee meetings, and at our annual flagship events.

Chloe Pearse

Research & Higher Education Program Manager

Chloe is responsible for the AMSI Research and Higher Education portfolio. Prior to joining AMSI, Chloe worked on international and domestic marketing and recruitment strategies to attract undergraduate and postgraduate students to the University of Melbourne. Chloe has a background in STEM and experience in policy and advocacy relating to equity in higher education and public health reform in the state of Victoria.

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Maaike Wienk

Advanced Collaborative Environment (ACE) Co-Ordinator (part time)



Maaike coordinates AMSI's ACE activities, which include the National Forums, Honours Courses, Short Courses and advertising of seminars delivered by AMSI's member universities. Maaike also analyses data collected from the annual survey of the AMSI membership and edits the annual Discipline Profile of the Mathematical Sciences. Maaike was

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Angela Coughlin

Research & Higher Education Project Coordinator



Angela is responsible for the successful planning and delivery of projects and events that form the national AMSI Research and Higher Education Program. She has held positions in the government, not for profit and hospitality industries. Prior to joining AMSI, Angela coordinated the annual national program of events for a medical membership based organisation including event marketing and promotion, and sponsorship management. Angela graduated in 2007 with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Tourism and Communication Management from the University of Canberra.

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Francesca Hoban Ryan

Research & Higher Education Administrative Assistant



Francesca is responsible for the administration of the AMSI Scientific Advisory Committee, which delivers national funding for mathematical sciences workshops. She also supports the administration and marketing of the Research and Higher Education Team including event launches, AMSI e-News and social media activities. Before joining AMSI in 2017, she worked as a library assistant and research assistant while completing her postgraduate studies at The University of Melbourne.

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Liam Williamson**Administrative Assistant (part time)**

Liam has been with AMSI since the beginning of 2014. His main responsibility is providing administrative support to the AMSI sponsored events run throughout the year. As well as updating content on the Research and Higher Education websites. Liam completed his BSc in Bioengineering Systems in 2014 and an Honours year in Biomechanics in 2015. He is currently completing a Doctor of Medicine at the University of Melbourne.

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I was a Monash undergraduate and took out a La Trobe PhD in 1981 in geometric mechanics and Lie groups. This was followed by a postdoc at the Institute for Advanced Study in Dublin. I've enjoyed teaching at RMIT, UNE and La Trobe. My research interests lie mainly in differential equations, differential geometry and the calculus of variations. I'm a proud Fellow of the Society, currently a Council and Steering Committee Member. I became AMSI director in September 2009.