Hi all,

**Integrated Data Infrastructure and Longitudinal Business Database**

We have access to the [Integrated Data Infrastructure (IDI)](link) and the [Longitudinal Business Database (LBD)](link) available through Statistics NZ. The IDI is an extensive research database holding microdata about people and households in NZ, e.g., education, income, benefits, migration, justice, and health. The data comes from government agencies, Statistics NZ surveys, and NGOs. The data is linked together or integrated to form the IDI. The IDI complements the LBD, which holds linked microdata about businesses. The two databases are linked through tax data. Researchers use the IDI to gain insight into our society and economy and answer questions about complex issues affecting New Zealanders. Use of the IDI and the LBD is free of charge, but a research project with a public interest component needs approval from Statistics NZ. The databases can be accessed through secure data labs, either run by Statistics NZ or by other organisations (so-called remote data labs). The nearest secure data lab to the Business School is in the Public Policy Institute located next door to us. Several researchers from Economics and Social Science are already using the IDI and the LBD. Projects range widely, from innovation to labour economics to public health to the study of business practices.

**Business School's research internet pages**

I have been working with the Faculty’s Communications and Marketing team on updating the [Research pages on the Business School's section of the University’s internet pages](link). The pages relating to the [Social Sciences Research Network (SSRN)](link) are the latest addition. Our SSRN membership allows us to access a vast range of data and research resources. Uploading and downloading your work is free, and you do not transfer copyright for any papers or other work hosted on SSRN. You retain the right to remove your paper from SSRN at any time. To find out more, please visit the [SSRN website](link) and read the Business School’s SSRN e-journals. If you would like to have your working paper, accepted paper, or an abstract uploaded, please feel free to send it to Christiane Rupp, and she will upload your entry.

If you are responsible for the content of some of the other pages in the research section, for example, being a Research Centre director, please try to keep the content up to date. These pages are accessible by the general public, and this is a good opportunity to inform our industry partners, donors, and local communities about our research. You are welcome to get in touch with Jonathan Harvey or Christiane Rupp if you have suggestions for new content.

**SDGs keywords mapping**

The University has established the [SDG Keywords Mapping](link) project which aims to create an expanded list of keywords that can be used to identify UN SDG-relevant research. If you are researching in an area falling under an SDG, you might be interested to see how you can ensure your research contribution is included as part of the wider University picture by clicking on the link in this paragraph.

**Health/wellbeing related cross-faculty research collaborations**

A group comprising more than ten Business School researchers has been working over several months on research ideas which fall broadly under the “health and wellbeing” space. Two of our staff members attended the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (FMHS) Research Committee meeting last month and presented on their interests and expertise. A ‘Research Ideas CrossFit’ event is planned, where Business School and FMHS researchers will meet to discuss their current research and exchange research ideas.
Members of the same group of Business school colleagues have recently met researchers from the Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) to offer advice on economics-related issues in the health space. Another meeting with the ADHB is planned later this month to discuss sustainability research matters. We will also be represented by one of our colleagues at the upcoming Liggins Research Ideas Distillery event. If you are interested in joining the group of Business School researchers with an interest in health and wellbeing, please contact Assoc Prof Laszlo Sajtos or Christiane Rupp.

Marsden and MBIE results

The results of the Marsden Fund’s Expression of Interest (EoI) round for 2021 were issued last month. None of our 15 submissions proceeded through to the full application stage. From 69 Eols submitted by academics housed in New Zealand’s eight business schools, six progressed to the next round, a success rate of 8.7%. This is less than half the success rate across all research disciplines, which stands at 20.4%. Despite all the efforts we have been investing in developing and improving our Eols over the last years, this trend has been in place for a number of years now.

There is Business School involvement in a successful Marsden Eoi led by AUT and in two of the four University of Auckland projects which have proceeded to the final stage of the MBIE Endeavour Research Programme process – one led by the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries (examining issues caused by the current housing situation in New Zealand) and one by the Faculty of Engineering (on building a wirelessly powered transport infrastructure). Final results are usually issued in September.

Business School Research Excellence Awards 2021

The Business School may award up to six Research Excellence Awards (login required) per year. Complete nominations packages, comprising of both Nominator and Nominee forms, must be submitted to Juan Camilo Rodriguez by 12pm on 21 June, as communicated earlier.

Celebrating books published by UABS researchers

On 10 June 2021, the Faculty Research Committee tried out a new format to celebrate recent Business School research achievements and learn from our colleagues’ experiences. The event on the social bridge on level 4 comprised an exhibition of 16 books recently published by Business School authors and an informal presentation by three of the authors that sparked vivid discussions and provided valuable insights on publishing books.

Upcoming research events

15 July, 1-2.30pm: Human Ethics Training (260-325)

5 August: Business School / School of Psychology collaboration event (afternoon event, venue TBC and more information forthcoming)

1 September, 10am -12pm: CROSSFIT Research Ideas event

2 September, 10-11.30am: Celebrating Research Success Series: FT50 Publications (Level 4 social bridge)

Worth noting: Report on the impact of Covid-19 on university research

Emerging from uncertainty: International perspectives on the impact of COVID-19 on university research is a report commissioned by Springer Nature which presents the perspectives of 25 senior research leaders and managers based in Australia, Europe and Singapore as researchers look for a way out of the pandemic. The report explores the implications of the pandemic for researchers themselves, the early interventions being put in place by universities and funders to safeguard research, and the actions needed to preserve and strengthen research capacity and capability through the pandemic and beyond.

Take good care and best regards,

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