

Summary of Discovery Projects Applications for Funding to Commence in 2006

Australian Capital Territory

University of Canberra

DP0664429 Prof AM Harding; Prof RJ Stimson; Prof HL Kendig; Prof F Stanley; Ms RE Lloyd; Dr SR Goldfeld; Mr PS Williams

Approved Project Title **Opportunity and Disadvantage: Differences in Wellbeing Among Australia's Adults and Children at a Small Area Level**

2006 : \$200,000

2007 : \$100,000

2008 : \$150,000

2009 : \$150,000

2010 : \$150,000

Primary RFCD 3701 SOCIOLOGY

Administering Institution University of Canberra

Project Summary

There is growing interest in regional perspectives in social, economic and health policy, amid increasing evidence that the opportunities and well-being of Australians are greatly affected by where they live. But the evidence base and data required to assess distributional equity issues are deficient. This project will improve the welfare of Australians by generating new insights into spatial inequalities; creating new databases about the characteristics of Australians living in each small area; making these new data very widely available through the web; and placing Australia at the international leading edge in the production of spatial socio-economic household data.

DP0666665 Prof BT Horrigan

Approved Project Title **The High Court of Australia's International Impact and Engagement - Enhancing Judicial Accountability and Australia's Place in International Law**

2006 : \$56,000

2007 : \$25,000

2008 : \$45,000

2009 : \$55,000

2010 : \$50,000

Primary RFCD 3901 LAW

Administering Institution University of Canberra

Project Summary

This project on the Australian High Court's engagement with the international community enhances Australian and international understanding of how national and international judicial systems interact, especially in important areas of national protection, democratic government, and human rights. It advances scholarly, governmental, professional, and public knowledge of the Court's contribution as a governmental organ to international justice in the 21st century. This improves judicial accountability, enhances Australia's international legal reputation, and meets the government's stated commitment to promoting justice and human rights internationally. The project produces public web-based resources and promotes national research priorities.