

# Summary of Linkage Projects Proposals for Funding to Commence in 2008

## Queensland

### Griffith University

**LP0882566** Dr RA Brown; Dr EW Hirst; Dr AF Woods; Dr DA Heck

**Approved Project Title** **The development of a values approach to school renewal**

**2008 :** \$ 75,000

**2009 :** \$ 79,000

**2010 :** \$ 75,000

**Primary RFCD** 3301 EDUCATION STUDIES

APA(I) Award(s): 1

#### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Edmund Rice Education, St Francis Xavier Province

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

#### **Project Summary**

The Development of a Values Approach to School Renewal Project will provide evidence-based strategies and tools that facilitate the development of economic values education policies and programs that promote effective school renewal and reform. We will develop formative and evaluative tools that allow schools to focus on the development of the whole person so as to assist students to incorporate a values dimension into their everyday economic and social choices, thus promoting student health and well-being in a holistic sense. This project will assist in strengthening Australia's social fabric and help families and individuals live healthy and fulfilling lives.

**LP0882189** Dr M Conrick; A/Prof J Soar; A/Prof TE Yuginovich; Prof PR Croll; Mr FH Whittaker

**Approved Project Title** **Minimising the inappropriate and unnecessary hospital admissions of frail older people.**

**2008 :** \$ 143,718

**2009 :** \$ 104,603

**2010 :** \$ 107,963

**Primary RFCD** 3211 NURSING

APA(I) Award(s): 2

#### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Nexus Online Pty Ltd

Queensland Health

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

#### **Project Summary**

The health system will continue to experience massive pressures in both fiscal and human resource terms. Older patients present with multiple, complex conditions and tend to be admitted because clinicians often do not have the time to explore other options. This project will develop and evaluate a unique and robust model for minimising inappropriate hospital admissions through rapid assessment of suitability for home care and complete referral information for safety and quality.

**LP0882175** Prof LK Frazer; Prof JM Giddings; Dr SK Weaven

**Approved Project Title** **Towards Resolution of Franchising Conflict**

**2008 :** \$ 52,000

**2009 :** \$ 50,000

**Primary RFCD** 3502 BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Australian Competition & Consumer Commission

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

#### **Project Summary**

Franchising is a major sector in the Australian economy with annual turnover greater than \$128 billion. Some 35% of franchisors report being involved in substantial disputes with franchisees. This project will investigate the causes of conflict in franchising relationships. Benefits will include a predictive model to identify where conflict is likely to occur in franchising conditions, thereby allowing participants the opportunity to address conflict before it escalates into dispute. Case studies and recommendations will inform participants and regulatory authorities so as to prevent conflict escalating. This will create a more 'level playing field' for participants and improve financial security for all stakeholders.

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**LP0882894** A/Prof R John; Dr PR Teasdale; Dr DT Welsh; Ms KP Catterall

**Approved Project Title** **Development of redox-mediated microbial assays for the rapid characterisation and assessment of wastewater, wastewater treatment processes and recycled water**

**2008 :** \$ 50,000

**2009 :** \$ 50,000

**2010 :** \$ 50,000

**Primary RFCD** 2504 ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY

### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Gold Coast Water

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

### **Project Summary**

With SE Qld on Level 5 water restrictions the need to reduce our demand on drinking water by increasing our reliance on recycled water is now urgent. To achieve this we need to ensure that the quality of our recycled wastewater is of a suitable and reliable standard. This project will assist the water industry in this endeavour by the developing monitoring techniques that can rapidly characterise and assess the effectiveness of wastewater treatment processes and the quality of the water derived from them. These methods will provide early warnings of potential 'upsets' in treatment plants that would otherwise result in poor quality effluents that would need to be discharged as waste rather than be recycled.

**LP0882137** Dr DA Keen

**Approved Project Title** **Engaging to learn: Increasing the engagement of children with autism in learning activities**

**2008 :** \$ 55,300

**2009 :** \$ 55,000

**2010 :** \$ 57,500

**Primary RFCD** 3301 EDUCATION STUDIES

### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

AEIOU

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

### **Project Summary**

This research addresses the ARC national research priority of promoting and maintaining good health and well being for all Australians by enabling children with autism and their families to lead more productive and fulfilling lives. Children with autism are amongst the most challenging of all students for educators. Improving educational outcomes by engaging these children in learning, the aim of this research, is critical if these children are to achieve their full potential. This will benefit the Australian community by increasing independence, reducing barriers to inclusion, and improving the quality of life for children with autism and their families.

**LP0882066** A/Prof E Kendall; A/Prof SW Baum; Dr H Muenchberger; Dr T Yigitcanlar; Ms DM Cowan

**Approved Project Title** **Coalitions for Community Health: A Community-based Response to Chronic Disease**

**2008 :** \$ 240,531

**2009 :** \$ 115,343

**2010 :** \$ 92,227

**Primary RFCD** 3212 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

APA(I) Award(s): 1

### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Queensland Health

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

### **Project Summary**

This project will provide a methodology for assisting communities to address chronic disease more effectively. It will improve the services available to people with chronic disease by facilitating local planning and delivery processes through collaboration and partnership across all sectors. The methodology will enable communities to access complex statistical and spatial data to use in their planning and decision making about chronic disease and will, therefore, improve service systems.

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**LP0882032** Prof Dr H Schippers; Prof Dr JA Craik; Mr C Bowen

**Approved Project Title** **Places for art: redefining the dynamics of performance and location in Australia**

**2008 :** \$ 93,000

**2009 :** \$ 77,000

**Primary RFCD** 4101 PERFORMING ARTS

### **Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)**

Australia Council for the Arts  
Arts Queensland

**Administering Organisation** Griffith University

### **Project Summary**

The project will deliver a research model connecting quantitative data to audience perceptions, choices and influences; seven in-depth case studies informing and elucidating this model; and a user-friendly template to replicate this research in other places and disciplines. In this way, it will provide policy makers, funding bodies and arts organisations with practical tools to address drivers for change in the way the arts are experienced in contemporary Australia. This has the potential of widening engagement with the arts for more Australians, and contributing to their sense of wellbeing.