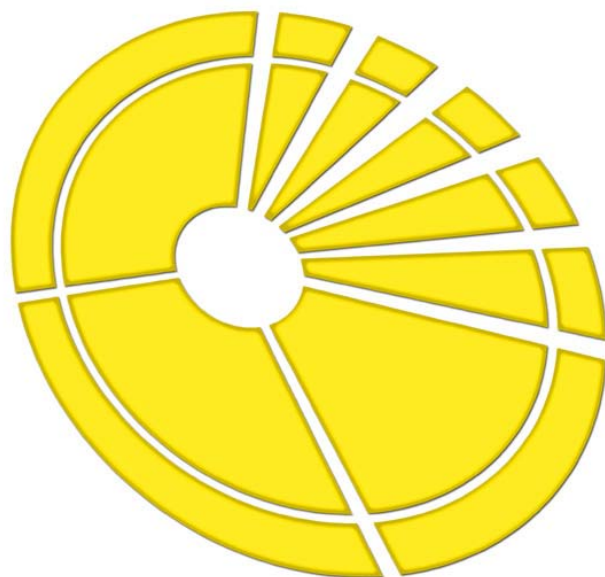


Adelaide University Postgraduate Students' Association



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What is the AUPGSA?

The Adelaide University Postgraduate Students' Association was established in 1965. It is, therefore, one of the oldest postgraduate student organisations in Australia.

The aims of the AUPGSA are set out in its current Constitution. These are:

- to provide an independent voice for, and promote the interests of, the postgraduate community of the University;
- to promote interdepartmental academic and social contact between members of the Association;
- to disseminate information of interest to members of the Association;
- to obtain amenities and services for students enrolled for postgraduate courses of study in the University.

The AUPGSA pursues these aims and objects through the following services:

- representation to the University administration and government on issues of concern to postgraduate students;
- regular email bulletins and a quarterly newsletter with information on scholarships, conference opportunities, University and Government policies;
- social events catering for the needs of postgraduate students;
- support for interdisciplinary conferences and seminars;
- membership on University committees and support for postgraduate representatives on discipline, school and faculty committees.

The membership of AUPGSA is comprised of the enrolled postgraduate students at the University of Adelaide. This includes honours students, coursework certificate, diploma and masters students, as well as research masters and doctoral candidates. The AUPGSA has more than 5000 members (we are a third of the size of the SAUA). Our members study, conduct research and teach at the North Terrace, Roseworthy, Waite, and Thebarton campuses, also other locations. Many are international students.

Our members are older than the majority of undergraduate students, are more likely to have their own families and often undertake studies part-time to advance careers in varying stages of development. Our relationships with the University and its staff are also very different from those of undergraduates. The rules, policies and procedures relating to our programmes are different from those of undergraduates.

In providing services to such a diverse group of students, the AUPGSA takes on a number of different roles. On the individual level, the AUPGSA provides students with information about a wide range of issues, including insurance, theses, and fees. On a broader scale, the AUPGSA represents its members on a wide range of committees and boards across the University, as well as in the wider community.

The AUPGSA campaigns for the improvement of the rights of, and the conditions in which, postgraduate students' study - both within the University and on a national level. We write submissions, attend meetings, and engage in discussion with University officials, politicians, and anybody else who can help improve postgraduate student life.

We do not neglect the social side of being a postgraduate student. The AUPGSA hosts numerous social events, including quiz nights, barbecues and lunches. These are important to postgraduate

students as many, especially dedicated research students, may lead a fairly isolated life. Therefore it is imperative they are given the opportunity to unwind with other postgraduates.

The Association organises the annual *AUPGSA Awards* to recognise outstanding service to postgraduate students. Students nominate individuals (general and academic staff) and departments that have provided outstanding assistance in their research, studies or in navigating through postgraduate student life at the University of Adelaide.

Many undergraduate students do not understand the complex issues that affect postgraduate students in the same way that we understand and experience them. The relationships between postgraduate students and the University are very different from those of undergraduates. Postgraduate students also need different perspectives that reflect those differing relationships. The AUPGSA provides advice that is independent of the University, and draws upon the experience of other postgraduate students. It also is able to offer independent feedback to the University concerning postgraduate issues.

The AUPGSA has significant experience assisting postgraduate students. We have an established working relationship with the Graduate Centre and other parts of the University administration that are essential for meeting the needs of our members.

President's Report

For some years now Felicity Rai has served the Adelaide University Postgraduate Students' Association to the very best of her ability. Initially as Thebarton Campus Representative, then as Women's Officer, Vice President, Acting President and, since March 2005, as elected President. During her time with the AUPGSA Council, Felicity has assisted a number of Honours and Postgraduate students with advocacy and representative issues, while helping to move the AUPGSA out of troubled times into a close and stable relationship with its membership, the Adelaide University Union and the University. Felicity is still working hard to ensure the survival of the AUPGSA when VSU is introduced on July 1, 2006, and beyond, through a change of policy and direction and without or with very little funding until the political climate changes and, hopefully, campus normality returns... Felicity Rai will continue to strive as AUPGSA President 2006-7, to work with the membership to support the very existence of the AUPGSA during VSU.

In 2005, the AUPGSA was been incredibly busy with strongly contested elections, the writing of our new Constitution in consultation with the AUU's Constitutional lawyers, and a referendum on the said Constitution. The 2005 Constitution eventually achieved the two-thirds majority required by the very slimmest of margins and is now operational but will further need changing by the incoming council and ratified by our members to fit under VSU legislation and necessity.

On a lighter note, in 2005 the AUPGSA celebrated its 40th Birthday by serving up a delicious birthday cake (decorated in chocolate "AUPGSA" 40 Years Strong!) at the referendum. The AUPGSA also held a number of free lunches at the wonderfully supportive Staff Club (which incidentally was at the same venue as the inaugural 1965 AUPGSA meeting), and has run a very successful women's photography competition that was displayed at the highly successful Staff Awards 2005. Fun or just sheer hard work, Felicity admits to having felt a great sense of satisfaction when she looks around the table at AUPGSA Council meetings and sees the enthusiasm and unbridled interest of our Council (almost half of whom are international students which reflects the growing diversity of the postgraduate student body.). She also is extremely gratified when, during representational meetings, she was able to help the postgraduate position in some way, or sometimes an individual case where her input has clearly made a difference to one of our number, which happily is growing every semester. At the University of Adelaide, Honours and Postgraduate students now make up over one third of the entire student body. With such numbers and with the increase of international students joining our hallowed hall of learning, we (the AUPGSA, and what we do) has been said to be of "strategic importance to the University". Felicity assures you she and her hard-working and cohesive team is building on this good will and endeavouring to ease our beloved Association into the dreaded VSU era with minimal disruption. Felicity also continue to work with CAPA – the Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations, and other PGSA Presidents from other universities nation-wide to lobby in Melbourne (at Trades Hall) and Canberra against or reducing Voluntary Student Unionism legislation impact on our respective members.

At the recent May 06 Council of Australia Postgraduate Associations' AGM there was an interesting and well-received address by Natasha Stott-Despoja (Democrats Senator).

First off, the Senator expressed her dissatisfaction with the Coalition's sporting and recreational "topup" funding. Even with strong lobbying, the government was considered unlikely to change the use of money allocated for sporting facilities but, nevertheless, the criteria could change so lobbying will occur at all levels from July onwards.

The lack of welfare payments/income supports for postgraduates was also considered a great concern. Meanwhile, the government's funding for the implementation of the Research Quality Framework (RQF) scheme (M\$3,000,000) was considered grossly inadequate.

CAPA's , and its subsidiary political submissions (including two by the AUPGSA President in 2005, were met with strong approval). It was noted they were exceptionally well regarded at the political level. The Senator was also highly critical of the government's handling of higher education, arguing that the government approached the sector from the point of view of a business rather than "education for education's sake".

Senator Stott-Despoja also reviled (Family First) Senator Fielding's support of the VSU, and suggested the impact on families and not been properly addressed, as it was the party's proclaimed platform.

The general mood at the CAPA meeting was one of solidarity and our own AUPGSA plans to seek corporate and small business sponsorship as well as community and local government financial support to ensure our survival beyond 2007 was the same strategy adopted by the current CAPA Executive headed by Jason Hart CAPA President 2006/2007.

AUPGSA President Felicity Rai also noted that our pledge of \$5000 for CAPA fees 2006 (down from \$13,000 in 2005) was similar to the amount pledged/paid to CAPA this year by other PGSA's of approximate equal numbers vis a vis their postgraduate/honours' student body to that of Adelaide University. Thus there is a spirit of belt tightening at all levels in PGSA's including the national body to which we are affiliated to, but there is also a sense of optimism that the nightmare that is VSU will evaporate or at least be watered down with a change of government in the next Federal election. If the Coalition is successful in gaining another term in office in 2007, we are defeated and the ramifications of this is unthinkable as grass roots democracy and free public speech will slowly be eradicated as likely will political discourse and freedom of association on campus. Please understand that apathy is a very dangerous animal. Apathy in history has led to the rise of various extreme rightwing nationalistic groups and by the same virtue student apathy in 2006/2007 under VSU will eradicate student associations on campus and in so doing eradicate transparency and the rights of students to speak out against injustice and future oppression by those who treat the dollar as the end result of a university degree rather than valuing the whole campus experience. Please take the time to support the Adelaide University Union and the Adelaide University Postgraduate Students' Association during VSU and beyond to safeguard your interests and those who will come after you to study at this University in the future and possibly even save the higher education sector as we know it from annihilation.

Yours in solidarity,

Felicity Rai
2005/2006 AUPGSA President

Vice-President's Report

As detailed below, the position of Vice-President in the 2005-06 Council has been held by Samuel Tedjojuwono and Nathaniel Jewell. This report, prepared by Nathaniel for the 2006 AGM, draws on Council minutes and written reports submitted by Samuel and Nathaniel.

- **25 March 2005** – Samuel elected Vice-President at 2005 AGM and Council election, with Felicity Rai as President.
- **1 June 2005** – Samuel and Felicity agree to equal sharing of the Presidential duties and honorarium. That is, each of them is to perform a minimum of 18.5 hours' weekly work and to receive an honorarium equivalent to approximately \$1050 per month.
- **13 Feb 2006** – Samuel resigns from the Council, citing the completion of his studies and the need to return home to Indonesia.
- **27 Feb 2006** – Nathaniel becomes Acting Vice-President, with an honorarium of \$400 per month. (Felicity's honorarium remains unchanged.)
- **24 April 2006** – Nominations open for the 2006 Annual Council Election, scheduled for May 30.
- **15 May 2006** – Close of nominations.
- **20 May 2006** – Returning Officer reports that there will not be a contested election, and recommends automatic election of all candidates. Council accepts this recommendation. Since Nathaniel did not seek re-election as VP, the 2006-07 Vice-President will be Juanjuan An (Ann).
- **30 May 2006** – 2006 AGM and election declaration. Outgoing Council to remain in caretaker mode until next regular monthly Council meeting.
- **26 June 2006** – Handover to 2006-07 Council.

Duties performed by Samuel (*June 2005 to Feb 2006*)

Throughout his term of office Samuel maintained the AUPGSA website and mailing list, in collaboration with President Felicity Rai, office assistant Mariam Ghabriel, and Research Officer Dominic Stefanson. (*Note: Dominic resigned in August and was not replaced.*) Unfortunately, Samuel was frequently hampered by technical issues, such as delays in obtaining authorisation to modify the website. Nevertheless, he was able to provide IT support and other assistance for the following activities:

- 2005 Staff Awards
- Women's Photographic Competition
- Online student survey of AUPGSA services
- Publication of the AUPGSA magazine *cubed*³.

In addition, Samuel represented the AUPGSA at the following:

- Re-Orientation event for new students (July 2005);
- CAPA Annual Council Meeting (Dec 2005); and
- A wide range of committee meetings, including Kathleen Lumley College Council; Affiliate Heads and AUU Strategic Planning; Internationalisation Committee; Overseas Students Association (OSA); and the Library Committee.

Duties performed by Nathaniel (March 2006 to May 2006)

Like Samuel, I assumed primary responsibility for maintaining the website. However, lacking full access privileges to the website, I have had to rely on the goodwill of AUU Activities Manager Natalie Teakle to post the updates. In this way, I have collaborated with Natalie, Felicity, and office assistant Mariam Ghabriel to publish the following items on our website: the Postgraduate Lunch (March 2006); the 2006 Elections and AGM (April/May); and the changes to the Constitutional Regulations (Feb/March). We are now working on a badly-needed overhaul of the website.

On March 24, Felicity and I attended *Electronic List Management*, a free half-day IT course run by the University's Centre for Professional and Continuing Education (PCE). This enabled me, on May 17, to set up the Postgraduate Representatives e-Forum. Technically known as the Repsforum-v.pgsa University mailing list, the e-Forum is an electronic discussion board for the University's elected postgraduate representatives at School, Discipline and Faculty level. Although not intended as a vehicle for the AUPGSA, the e-Forum is currently read, moderated and managed by selected Council members (currently, Felicity and I). To ensure that the e-Forum outlives my AUPGSA membership, I will provide the 2006-07 Council with the following information:

- textbook and instruction manual provided by PCE, and
- a summary of the e-Forum as currently configured (and how to change it).

In addition, I have been involved in the following activities:

- organising the Postgraduate Lunch (in collaboration with Felicity and Mariam)
- organising a working lunch for elected postgraduate representatives (May 17)
- organising the 2006 Elections and AGM (in collaboration with Felicity, Mariam Ghabriel, and Returning Officer Duncan Redman)
- representing the AUPGSA at the 2006 Quality in Postgraduate Research (QIWP) Conference (Glenelg, April 20-21) – courtesy of the Adelaide Graduate Centre, which paid my conference fee.
- providing constructive feedback to the Adelaide Graduate Centre on its newly-released *Postgraduate Research Handbook*
- attending a day-long AUU Strategic Planning workshop (April 19)
- representing the AUPGSA on the Research Education and Development Committee (REDC) and its sub-committees, namely: the Quality Issues Working Party (QIWP), the Doctoral Education Working Party (DEWP), and the Student Matters Sub-committee (SMS). As an SMS member, I helped to make decisions on 8-10 submitted PhD and Masters theses, each of which had been awarded differing final grades by the initial examiners.
- representing the AUPGSA on the following committees: University Research Council (URC); Student Affairs Committee (SAC); Student Representatives round-table with Susan Macintosh, Executive Director of Student and Staff Services.

I have been involved in the following postgraduate issues at the University (refer to Council minutes for further details):

- Proposal to require all research students to submit electronic copies of their thesis to the Barr Smith Library.
- Policy development for the regulation of Professional Doctorates.
- Proposal by the Federal Government to create a Commercialisation Training Scheme for research postgraduates.
- Development of the Graduate Centre's Student Handbook (see above).

Secretary's Report

Three persons have held the position of AUPGSA Secretary during the 2005-06 term of office:

- Meg Vedig (April and May 2005)
- Nathaniel Jewell (June 2005 to Feb 2006)
- Gerald Varley (March to June 2006).

This is a joint report by Gerald and Nathaniel for the AUPGSA AGM (May 30, 2006). Meg is no longer a Council member and is unavailable for comment.

The Secretary is responsible for

- collating the Minutes and Agenda of the monthly meetings of the AUPGSA Council,
- maintaining the Council mailing list, and
- assisting the President and Vice-President with day-to-day correspondence.

The 2005-06 Council underwent a number of changes in composition. The main changes are summarised at the end of this report, together with full membership listings for the incoming and outgoing Council.

In addition, the Secretary has performed the following tasks.

- June 2005 – Wrote to AUU Board requesting approval for Felicity and Samuel to share the Presidency.
- July 2005 – Wrote report to AUU Board on sharing of the Presidency.
- Aug/Sep 2005 – Wrote a major article (a book review) for *cubed*³ magazine.
- Oct 2005 – Assisted with the 2005 Staff Awards.
- Nov 2005 – Assisted with the Postgraduate Lunch.
- Dec 2005 – Served as Acting President for one week (in the absence of Felicity and Samuel).
- Feb 2006 – Represented AUPGSA at the Postgraduate Induction Days.
- Feb 2006 – Drafted 2006 budget; signed 2006 funding agreement with the AUU.
- Feb 2006 – Wrote VSU Impact Statement for the AUU, as part of a comprehensive report on the likely effect of VSU at the University of Adelaide. This document formed the starting point for negotiations between the AUU and the University.
- March 2006 – Assisted with the Postgraduate Lunch.

Between June 2005 and February 2006 inclusive, the Secretary also represented the AUPGSA at a number of committee meetings:

- 7 meetings of the Research Education and Development Committee (REDC, formerly BRED) and its Quality Issues sub-committee (QIWP)
- 3 meetings of the University Research Committee (URC)
- 1 meeting of the Library Committee
- 3 meetings of Affiliate Heads
- 1 meeting of the AUU Finance committee (F&DSC).

For each meeting, the Secretary provided a short verbal report to the AUPGSA Council. In some instances an informal written report was presented as well.

Composition of 2005-06 Council

Council position	Incoming (Mar 2005)	Outgoing (May 2006)	Incoming (June 2006)
<i>President</i>	Felicity Rai	Felicity Rai	Felicity Rai
<i>Vice-President</i>	Samuel Tedjojuwono	Nathaniel Jewell	Juanjuan An (Ann)
<i>Secretary</i>	Meg Vedig	Gerald Varley	Ying Zhang
<i>Treasurer</i>	Quenfang (Fay) Zhang	Juanjuan An (Ann)	Glenis Crane
<i>Women's Officer</i>	Ying Zhang	Ying Zhang	<i>vacant</i>
<i>International Students Officer</i>	Gyung (Sue) Kim	Gyung (Sue) Kim	Ge Shi
<i>Indigenous Students Officer</i>	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>	<i>vacant</i>
<i>Campus representatives</i>	Alice Lu (Waite)	<i>vacant</i>	Vanessa Melino (Waite)
<i>General Councillors</i>	Clare Bradley Ho Pak Hin Karen Rossiter Rosalina Tatnell Nathaniel Jewell Victor Stamatescu Steven Clark	Glenis Crane Margaret Macilwain Rikki Wilde Ho Pak Hin (in absentia)	Nathaniel Jewell Gyung (Sue) Kim Wei Ying Ho Pak Hin (in absentia)

Major changes to Council membership

- **25 March 2005** – 2005 AGM and Annual Election; 2005-06 Council takes office.
- **1 June 2005** – Meg resigns as Secretary (citing submission of her thesis and increasing work commitments) and is succeeded by Nathaniel.
- **29 September 2005** – Fay Zhang resigns as Treasurer (citing work and timetable commitments) and is succeeded by Juanjuan An (Ann).
- **30 Jan 2006** – Gerald joins the Council as a General Councillor.
- **13 Feb 2006** – Samuel resigns from the Council, citing the completion of his studies and the need to return home to Indonesia.
- **27 Feb 2006** – Nathaniel becomes Acting Vice-President, and Gerald replaces Nathaniel as Secretary.
- **24 April 2006** – Nominations open for the 2006 Annual Council Election (scheduled date: May 30).
- **15 May 2006** – Close of nominations.
- **20 May 2006** – Returning Officer reports that there will not be a contested election, and recommends automatic election of all candidates. Council accepts this recommendation. Since Gerald did not seek re-election, the 2006-07 Secretary will be Ying Zhang.
- **30 May 2006** – 2006 AGM and election declaration. Outgoing Council to remain in caretaker mode until next regular monthly Council meeting.
- **26 June 2006** – Handover to 2006-07 Council.

Women's Officer's Report

I am the current Women's Officer of the Postgraduate Students' Association (AUPGSA). I have held this position since September 2004. During the year 2005/6, with great support from other members in the PGSA, I have organized two activities for women postgraduate students in each semester last year. One is the first women postgraduate photographic competition and the other is the joint women's dinner with the Flinders University. Both of them were very successful and welcomed by the postgraduate students. In addition, as the postgraduate representative, I have attended University Health and Safety Committee, University Sports Association Committee and Alumni Board Meeting through the last whole year. I have also helped the various social activities held by the AUPGSA and assisted the work of the President.

Ying Zhang, PhD candidate

AUPGSA Activities

The following events took place during 2005

1 **2005 Welcoming Event:**

The 2005 Welcoming Event was held at the Equinox on 22 March. The event was well attended, with around 70 postgraduate students present, who enjoyed free food and soft drinks.

2 **Postgraduate Lunch**

Free lunches were provided to postgraduates on 4 May 2005, 16 November 2005, and 23 March 2006. Attendance was estimated at 75, 80 and 125 respectively. The lunches were held at the University of Adelaide Club ("Staff Club"). Although Club membership was not a pre-requisite for attendance, attendees were encouraged to take advantage of the Club's generous offer of \$5 membership for postgraduates. The total cost to the AUPGSA was \$1000.

3 **Women's events**

As outlined in the Women's Officer Report, two events were organised for female postgraduates: a Dinner, and a Photo Competition.

4 **2005 AUPGSA Staff Awards:**

The 2005 AUPGSA Staff Awards were held on 24 October. The AUPGSA received 45 nominations in total. Over 100 people attended. The prizes were presented by Vice-Chancellor James McWha, and by Dean of Graduate Studies Professor Richard Russell. The winners are listed below.

The Category winners were:

Supervisor of the Year:	Assoc. Professor Terry Williamson (Architecture, Landscape Architecture & Urban Design)
Runner-up:	Professor Lee Parker (Commerce)
Lecturer of the Year:	Dr Georges Baume (Adelaide Graduate School of Business)
Runner-up:	Mr David Knight (Computer Science)
General Staff of the Year:	Dr Peter Apoelis (Chemistry & Physics)
Equal Runner-up:	Ms Lena Mastrogiacomio (Office of Industry Liaison)
Equal Runner-up:	Ms Kankana McPherson (Office of Industry Liaison)
Department of the Year:	Professor Jason White (Clinical & Experimental Pharmacology)
Runner-up	Professor Janet Hiller (Public Health)

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's role is to oversee AUPGSA finances and to attend meetings of the AUU Finance committee (F&DSC). However, day-to-day finances are managed by the AUU, in collaboration with AUPGSA office assistant Mariam Ghabriel.

Two persons have held the position of Treasurer in the 2005-06 AUPGSA Council:

- Quenfang (Fay) Zhang – March to September 2005
- Juanjuan An (Ann) – October 2005 to June 2006.

The Council took office immediately following elections on 22 March 2005, and will leave office on 26 June 2006. The 2006-07 Treasurer will be Glenis Crane.

Calendar year 2005

Accompanying this report are the following documents:

- Official budget summary for the calendar year 2005
- Summary of activities run by the AUPGSA in 2005 for the benefit of postgraduates.

The 2005 budget shows:

- discretionary (operating) spending of \$62,491 from a budget of \$71,733, resulting in an operating surplus of \$9,245. The main operating expenses are honoraria payments (\$32,125); the CAPA affiliation fee (\$13,000); conferences and travel (\$1,936); and AUPGSA publications for postgraduates (\$5,814).
- fixed-cost spending of \$21,966 from a budget of \$53,992, resulting in a surplus of \$32,026. The major fixed expenses are the wages of the AUPGSA research officer and office assistant (\$13,936); the others are electricity, depreciation, and computer hardware.

The overall surplus for 2005 is \$41,268. This sum currently resides in AUU bank accounts; however, the AUU Finance Manager and General Manager have assured us that we can access it at any time (or even withdraw it in full, with accrued interest).

During 2005-06 some changes were made to AUU accounting procedures, particularly with regard to carryover funding. As a result, the official budget summary does not necessarily reflect true costs.

- The true cost of staff wages (according to our best estimate) was \$35,215 rather than \$13,936. The staff consisted of one research officer (Dominic Stefanson) and one office assistant (Mariam Ghabriel), both employed part-time by the AUPGSA. Dominic's period of employment was March to August 2005; since then the AUPGSA has lacked a Research Officer (as was also the case from November 2004 to February 2005).
- The following items were funded from carryover funding, and thus do not appear in the official operating expenses:
 - (1) Constitutional referendum in March 2005 (\$4,148). This comprises legal fees of \$3,600 and an *ex gratia* payment of \$548 for services rendered by Steven Clark (a General Councillor and previous Vice-President).
 - (2) Training courses for the AUPGSA Executive (\$500, with a further \$412 funded from normal operating funding).

Calendar year 2006

The introduction of Voluntary Student Unionism (VSU) in July 2006 requires the AUPGSA to implement severe budget cuts. The AUU and AUPGSA have conducted extensive planning for VSU, and negotiations with all interested parties are continuing. In particular, planning continues on a Student Hub to house and support AUU affiliates, including the AUPGSA.

The AUU is providing operating funding of \$18, 618 to the AUPGSA for the calendar year 2006. (The AUPGSA no longer budgets for fixed costs, since these have been managed directly by the AUU since January 2006.) This represents a reduction in funding of nearly 75% on 2005. Viewed another way, it would barely fund a 0.75 FTE honorarium. The AUPGSA Council, while adopting heavy spending cuts, has decided to run a deficit budget for calendar 2006. With estimated spending of \$35K, we anticipate a deficit of approximately \$15K – to be funded from reserves of \$49K accumulated in previous years.

The major expenses in 2006 are estimated as follows:

- Honoraria (\$20K)
- CAPA affiliation fee (\$5K) plus attendance of CAPA conferences in May and Nov/Dec (\$2K)
- Possible legal fees (\$3K) prior to a Constitutional referendum (with the intention of adapting the AUPGSA to a VSU environment)
- Free Postgraduate Lunch (\$400).

Money was saved by online-only publication of the *2006 AUPGSA Honours and Postgraduate Guide*, our flagship publication.

Council honoraria

Council honoraria account for a large proportion of our operating spending. In the interests of financial disclosure, therefore, we list the honoraria individually.

For 2005/2006 the full-time Presidential honorarium was approximately \$25K (indexed annually for inflation), paid fortnightly. Smaller honoraria were paid to the other members of the AUPGSA Executive (ie Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Women's Officer). Full details are as follows.

- **January to May 2005** – Full-time Presidential honorarium (\$24 800 pa, paid fortnightly) paid to Felicity Rai. The other Executive Councillors (ie Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Women's Officer) each receive an honorarium of \$1000pa, paid quarterly.
- **June to December 2005** – Honoraria for Secretary, Treasurer and Women's Officer increased to \$2000pa.
- **June 2005 to February 2006** – Equal sharing of the full-time Presidential honorarium by President Felicity Rai and Vice-President Samuel Tedjojuwono (no separate Vice-Presidential honorarium).
- **January 2006** – Honoraria for Secretary, Treasurer and Women's Officer revert to \$1000pa each.
- **February 2006** – Samuel resigns (Feb 13); Nathaniel appointed as Acting Vice-President (Feb 27) with an honorarium of \$400 per month, paid fortnightly. Felicity's half-time honorarium remains unchanged.
- **July 2006** – Planned abolition of honorarium for Women's Officer.

BUDGET for calendar year 2005

Income	AUU Grant	Income 2005
AUU Fixed Grant	53,992.00	
AUU Operating Grant	71,733.00	
Total AUU Grant		\$125,725.00
Total Income		\$125,725.00

	Budget	Expend - Fixed Costs	Fixed Costs Balance
Computer Charges	2,590.00	1,476.00	1,114.00
Depreciation	804.00	688.00	116.00
Electricity	1,607.00	1,689.10	-82.10
Wages - Admin inclusive	48,991.00	13,936.03	35,054.97
Wages - on costs	0.00	2,145.38	-2,145.38
Staff meals	0.00	2,012.10	-2,012.10
Wages - Casual	0.00	46.83	-46.83
Leave Liability	0.00	-27.44	27.44
Total Expenditure - Fixed costs	53,992.00	21,966.00	32,026.00

	Budget	Expend - Operating Costs	Operating Costs Balance
Income Other	-1,500.00	-181.82	-1,318.18
Staff travel and conferences	500.00	0.00	500.00
Election expenses	100.00	27.19	72.81
Legal Fees		0.00	0.00
Maintenance and repairs	220.00	0.00	220.00
Miscellaneous	700.00	131.65	568.35
Photocopying Expenses	2,700.00	2,475.00	225.00
Postage	250.00	104.01	145.99
Printing	300.00	0.00	300.00
Publications	9,000.00	5,814.09	3,185.91
Staff meals - President	1,380.00	0.00	1,380.00
Conferences & Travelling - Council incl. CAPA Conf.	1,200.00	1,935.75	-735.75
Stationery	800.00	703.92	96.08
Subscriptions	200.00	0.00	200.00
Telephones and fax	1,100.00	733.09	366.91
Wages - honorariums (incl President)	30,829.00	32,124.78	-1,295.78
Wages - on costs - Honoraria		0.00	0.00
Activities	4,000.00	4,150.98	-150.98
Affiliation fees	17,554.00	13,000.00	4,554.00
Campaigns	1,000.00	909.09	90.91
Training - Executive	500.00	0.00	500.00
Indigenous Events	300.00	0.00	300.00
Women's events	600.00	563.64	36.36
Total Expenditure - Operating costs	71,733.00	62,491.37	9,241.63

Carry over **\$41,267.63**