



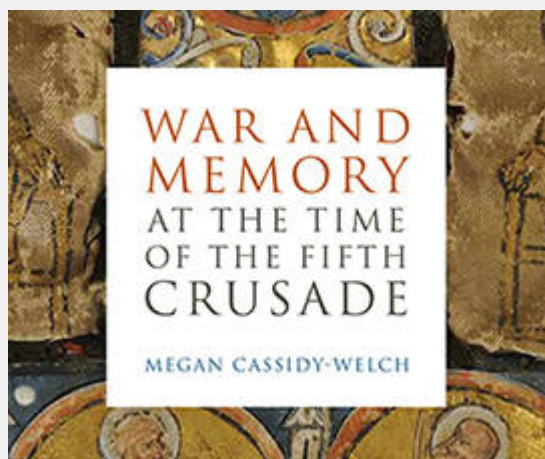
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The HPI Bulletin

Head of School Editorial

Welcome to the new-look Quadrivia! I'm delighted to welcome you to the updated version of our venerable newsletter and to share with you some of the work that is going on in the School. 2019 has been a busy year so far, with some highlights including the inaugural HPI Annual Public Lecture delivered by our newest Professor, Deb Brown. We have started work on the recommendations of the 2018 School Review. We congratulate staff on their research, teaching and engagement achievements, most recently Geoff Ginn, Adam Bowles and team for securing ARC funding to support the large-scale Queensland Atlas of Religion. We congratulate a group of talented HDR students on their recent completions. We look forward to continuing to share our news with you all, and invite to you explore this issue of Quadrivia.

Professor Megan Cassidy-Welch



On Miracles and Memory

History@UQ is delighted to share news on two new books from our Medievalists! Professor Megan Cassidy-Welch has just published her new monograph, *War and Memory at the Time of the Fifth Crusade*. Congratulations are also due to Dr Beth Spacey (Postdoctoral Fellow), who has submitted her manuscript *The Miraculous and the Writing of Crusade Narrative*.

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HPI Annual Lecture - Why Critical Thinking is Critical (and Thinking)

Professor Deborah Brown delivered her inaugural lecture as Professor of Philosophy at The University of Queensland on the 21st May 2019 to a capacity crowd. In the lecture, she noted that while Critical Thinking is the cornerstone '21st century skill', too often it is conceived of on the model of a technical skill, or as consisting in a set of "reason-recognising procedures", that have little bearing on the questions 'What should I believe?' or 'How should I act?'

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World Religions Symposium 2019

On Wednesday July 17, the Studies in Religion Discipline hosted over 400 year 11 secondary school students and their teachers for the annual World Religions Symposium. The Symposium is aimed at students pursuing the Studies of Religion secondary school curriculum and is one part of a broader engagement program that the Studies in Religion runs with secondary schools of SEQ.

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The UQ Funeral Oration Project

Generations of Queensland students have read the famous funeral oration of Pericles. For the classical Athenians it was a vitally important speech because it reminded them who they were as a democratic people. The UQ Funeral Oration Project represents the most-comprehensive study of this genre in almost 40 years.

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Principles and Profits: Ethics In The 21st Century

Ethics is at the heart of every contemporary social crisis, whether we realise it or not. Dr Julian Lamont from our School, along with Dr Mark Hutchinson and Karen Chester will be presenting at the Upcoming UQ Global Leadership Series Seminar entitled: *Principles and Profits: Ethics In The 21st Century*.

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The history and contemporary practice of religion in Queensland will be the focus of a new major research project

Researchers in the School have recently achieved significant grant success with the award of an ARC Linkage Grant to develop a Queensland Atlas of Religion in partnership with the State Library. The new project will investigate, document and interpret the diversity of religion and religious practices in Queensland's past and present.

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Ed Conrad Memorial Lecture

On May 29 the Studies in Religion Discipline was very pleased to host the 3rd Ed Conrad Memorial Lecture. Assoc. Prof. Ed Conrad, a long-term member of the Studies in Religion Department, was well known for his generous and warm personality. A full room had the pleasure of listening to Prof. James Crossley from St Mary's University (London), deliver a fascinating paper titled 'From the Peasants' Revolt to Jeremy Corbyn: The Fate of the Bible in the English Radical Tradition'.

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Gender and Place In Colonial Queensland

UQ Honorary Fellow Dr Gemmia Burden has been awarded the inaugural John Oxley Library Honorary Fellowship for her project *Private lives, public knowledge: Gendered collecting and intimacies of place in Queensland c. 1842-1900*. This project will explore how settler and pioneer women on Queensland's frontier collected and categorised objects and material cultures, and how these were used to understand the New World around them.

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Exploring the God Dionysus at UQ

Over the last year, the exhibition 'Dionysus: Portrait of a God' at R D Milns Antiquities museum has been exploring the nature of one of the most enigmatic gods of the Greek pantheon, Dionysus. Artefacts from our own collection as well as objects borrowed from elsewhere have helped to tell the story of the worship of Dionysus in Greece and the many myths told about him.

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Higher Degree Research 2019 Graduates

The School extends congratulations to the following Higher Degree Research 2019 Graduates and their Advisors. Well done to three Philosophy, four History, one Studies in Religion and one Classics and Ancient History Graduates.

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