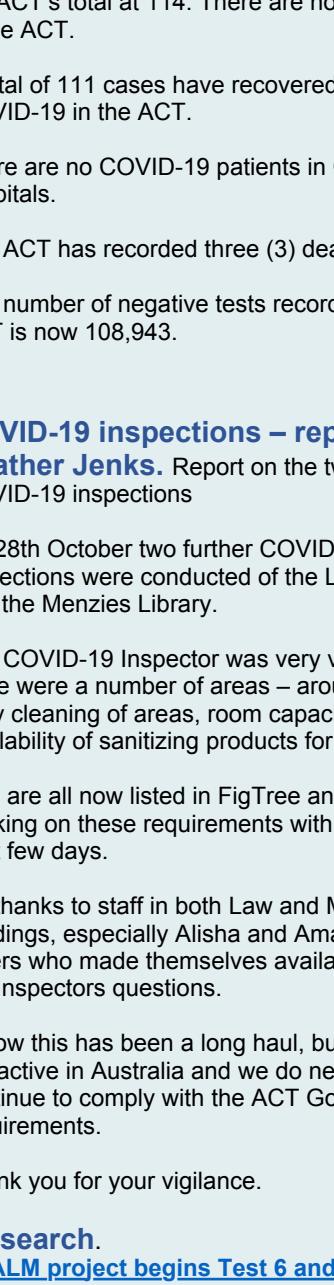




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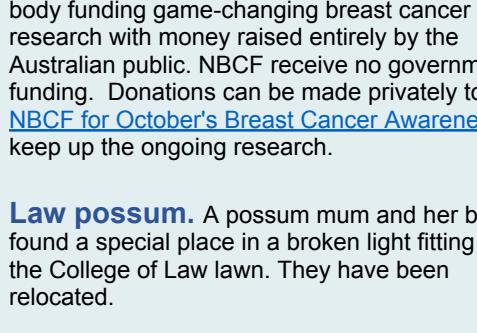
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WITH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RUTH MORGAN

Ruth Morgan: Archives for a dry and drying land
A fabulous ANU Archives Annual Lecture
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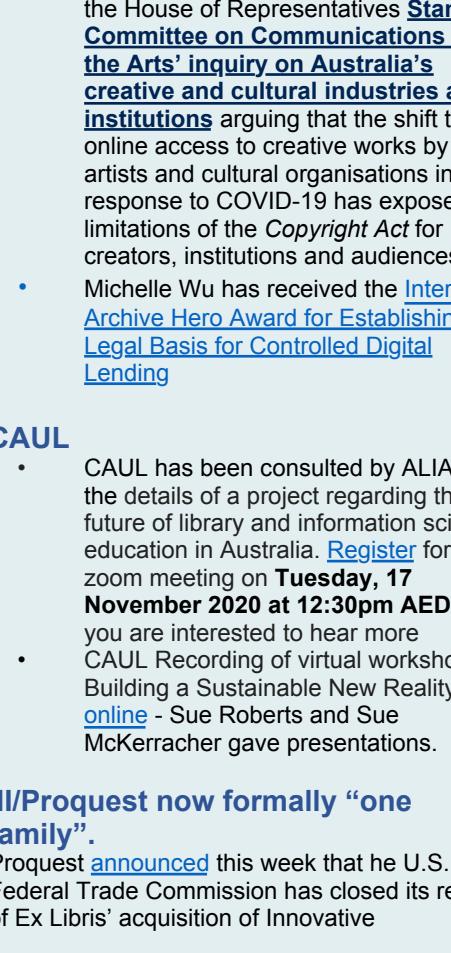
SIS News

COVID 19



Updated ANU resources

- [staying COVID-safe and healthy](#) and [support services for students](#)



ACT Update 5 November 2020

There have been no new cases of COVID-19 recorded in the ACT in the past 24 hours, leaving the ACT's total at 114. There are no active cases in the ACT.

A total of 111 cases have recovered from COVID-19 in the ACT.

There are no COVID-19 patients in Canberra hospitals.

The ACT has recorded three (3) deaths.

The number of negative tests recorded in the ACT is now 108,943.

COVID-19 inspections – report from Heather Jenkins. Report on the two latest COVID-19 inspections

On 28 October two further COVID-19 inspections were conducted of the Law Library and the Menzies Library.

The COVID-19 Inspector was very vigilant and there were a number of areas – around signage, daily cleaning of areas, room capacity and the availability of sanitizing products for students.

These are all now listed in FigTree and I will be working on these requirements with staff over the next few days.

My thanks to staff in both Law and Menzies buildings, especially Alisha and Amanda, and others who made themselves available to answer the Inspectors questions.

I know this has been a long haul, but COVID19 is still active in Australia and we do need to continue to comply with the ACT Government requirements.

Thank you for your vigilance.

Research.

[REALM project begins Test 6 and publishes toolkit materials](#). Five materials that are commonly found in furnishings and exhibits of archives, libraries, and museums were selected for the sixth REALM lab test. Battelle researchers will apply the COVID-19 virus to each item and measure how much remains after 2, 4, 6, and 8 days. The study began on October 8 and includes the following items:

- Marble (flooring, counters)
- Powder-coated steel (lockers, shelving, book trucks, exhibit elements)
- Laminate (countertops)
- Brass (fixtures, railings)
- Glass (windows, display cases)

[Also available](#) are the first in a series of toolkit materials to help support the interpretation and use of REALM project resources. These materials include:

- REALM 101 (about COVID-19 and the project)
- A checklist for decision-making
- Visual aids comparing all REALM test results thus far

SIS news:

End of year meeting with refreshments and activities.

Put it in your diaries!

THURSDAY 3rd December 3-5 pm

Digital Scholarship News

From 16th November 2020 Kumudini Watalawa will be joining the Digital Scholarship team as the new Digital Scholarship Assistant.

Welcome Kumudini!

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

The National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF) is Australia's leading national body funding game-changing breast cancer research with money raised entirely by the Australian public. NBCF receive no government funding. Donations can be made privately to

[NBCF for October's Breast Cancer Awareness](#) to keep up the ongoing research.

Law possum. A possum mum and her baby found a special place in a broken light fitting on the College of Law lawn. They have been relocated.



Copyright

- ADA has published our submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts' Inquiry on Australia's creative and cultural industries and institutions arguing that the shift to online access to creative works by artists and cultural organisations in response to COVID-19 has exposed the limitations of the Copyright Act for creators, institutions and audiences

• Michelle Wu has received the [Internet Archive Hero Award for Establishing Legal Basis for Controlled Digital Lending](#)

CAUL

- CAUL has been consulted by ALIA on the details of a project regarding the future of library and information science education in Australia. [Request](#) for a zoom meeting on **Tuesday, 17 November 2020 at 12:30pm AEDT** if you are interested to hear more.

• CAUL Recording of a virtual workshop - Building a Sustainable New Reality is [online](#) - Sue Roberts and Sue McKerracher gave presentations.

III/Proquest now formally "one family".

Proquest [announced](#) this week that he U.S. Federal Trade Commission has closed its review of Ex Libris' acquisition of Innovative

Privacy Act review. The review is being led by the Attorney-General's Department which today released its terms of reference and timeline for the review, along with an Issues Paper this week. Many issues will be covered in the review and ANU is likely to make a submission.

>> [read more](#)

Exams and graduation.

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