



Dear ISANA Member,

We hope the following news finds you well, and warm as winter sets in!

Next week's ONLINE Professional Development

Generative artificial intelligence: Jumping on the bandwagon.

Artificial Intelligence has been part of university life for a long time now, and the rise of Chat GPT presents us with great tools to make our work more efficient and dynamic. However, many of us may be unaware/frightened of all the opportunities embracing it could afford us.

In this online session, we will delve into using new technologies to work more efficiently to engage our students (Kahoot doesn't cut it anymore!). Academic and professional university staff will share their research and practical tips, followed by Q&A from attendees.

- Date: Thursday, 27 June 2024
- Time: 3.15pm – 4.30pm (ACST) | 3.45 – 5pm (AEST)
- Presenters: Anusha Dissanayake & Alessandro Sereni
- Online: via Zoom
- Cost: ISANA Members \$30 | Non Members \$50

- **Your personal REGISTRATION link:** [PD - 27 June](#) (If you have colleagues that would like to attend please direct them to the ISANA website to register)

Anusha Dissanayake is an IT expert and educator at the Canterbury Institute of Management (CIM) and the South Australian Institute of Business and Technology (SAIBT). She holds a Master of Information Technology from Charles Sturt University and is currently pursuing a PhD at Torrens University. Her research interest is in the intersection of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the higher education sector, investigating the impact of AI-powered tools on the teaching-learning process. Anusha is passionate about the potential of artificial intelligence to transform the higher education sector.

Alessandro Sereni works as an International Engagement Officer at the University of Adelaide. With an academic background in international relations and development, as well as professional experiences in the government, education, and non-governmental sectors across three continents, he continuously seeks to expand his interdisciplinary knowledge and skills toolbox. Owing to his generalist approach to learning, he has explored AI applications for professional staff in the higher education sector, particularly how it can enhance the international student experience.

Hunter Region focus: International Education Innovation and Networking Forum

Join ISANA for a networking event, in the Hunter region of NSW, focused on fostering international education engagement. We welcome international education sector colleagues to join us to strengthen connections and exchange ideas on international education. Should you be living or working in the Hunter region, we look forward to meeting you at this event.

- Date: Friday, 28 June 2024
- Time: 12 Midday - 2pm
- Venue: Location: City of Newcastle, 12 Stewart Avenue, Newcastle West
- Registration: <https://events.humanitix.com/industry-check-in-session-isana-activesw-28-june-2024>

Upcoming Professional Development

Keep an eye on our calendar, it is updated as planning proceeds: <https://isana.org.au/isana-2024-professional-development/>

[Understanding the ESOS framework – assessing compassionate or compelling circumstances](#)

- **Date:** Thursday 11 July 2024
- **Time:** 2pm – 4pm (AEST)
- **Online:** via Zoom
- **Facilitator:** Melanie Duncan
- **Cost:** ISANA Members \$50 | Non Members \$100
- Your personal **REGISTRATION** link: [PD - July 11 2024](#) (If you have colleagues that would like to attend please direct them to the ISANA website to register)

SAVE THE DATE!

[ISANA National & IEAA ISANA & IEAA U18 Masterclass](#)

- **Date:** Tuesday 27 August 2024
- **Time:** 3pm - 5pm AEST
- **Online:** via Zoom

ISANA Conference

Freshen Up Your Toolkit To Support International Students and Refresh Yourself

- **Dates:** Wednesday 4 & Thursday 5 December 2024
- **Venue:** Adelaide Convention Centre, SA
- **Website:** <https://isanaconference.com/>

Conference Bursaries

Applications for the 2024 Conference Bursaries are now open: <https://isana.org.au/conference/conference-bursaries/>

Each year ISANA calls for applications from international students and ISANA Members for a number of bursaries to assist in funding attendance to the annual ISANA conference.

Please submit your application to the ISANA Office isana@isana.org.au by COB 23 September 2024.

Conference Awards

Nominations for the 2024 Conference Awards are now open: <https://isana.org.au/conference/conference-awards/>

A number of awards were developed to recognise the important work the association does to support international students and the staff who work with them. The awards were given for the first time in 2006, and mark an important stage in ISANA's development as a peak organisation. The award winners are notified prior to the annual conference and given the option to accept their certificate at the Conference Dinner. Award winners are also acknowledged on the ISANA website.

Please submit your nomination to the ISANA Office isana@isana.org.au by COB 23 September 2024.

Sponsorship

ISANA welcomes industry partners to this conference, and a range of sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities are available: <https://isanaconference.com/sponsors-exhibitors-opportunities> .

As a supporter of the conference, you will enjoy the opportunity to:

- Meet people who make and influence decisions on purchasing products and services.
- Demonstrate and launch new services, products, and programs.
- Network with delegates from Australian and International academics, Australian and International career advisors, mentor program staff, and students and teachers.
- Gain industry insight and evaluate market trends to generate new business opportunities.
- Demonstrate your involvement, commitment, and support of the education community.
- Start relationships with contacts not part of your current market or marketing strategy.

Please contact us to discuss your participation in this well-established education event on the international education conference calendar, isana@isana.org.au or isana@conferencedesign.com.au.

Membership Renewals

ISANA Membership renewals, for the 2024-2025 membership year, will be issued automatically at the end of the month. We have some exciting changes that have been

made to the options available. Please visit the website for more information about the new categories <https://isana.org.au/join/>

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