

RSD7 Symposium: Raising USP's Research Capacity through Explicit Research Skill Development

- Date** : 10th December 2013
Time : 9.00am to 11.00am
Venue : FBE Postgraduate Lecture Theatre
(located near School of Accounting in FBE), USP
Chair : PVC Research & International Prof John Bythell
Facilitator : Dr John Willison, the co-developer of the RSD Framework,
University of Adelaide

The University of the South Pacific funding countries have asserted their need for researchers who make a difference to the environmental, political, social, cultural, technological and scientific needs of the region. USP has responded with a total curriculum renewal process that includes explicit, discipline-by-discipline Research Skill Development (RSD) from the first year of students' study. As students engage in RSD based assignments at undergraduate level, this symposium will provide an opportunity to consider the potential benefits and challenges that such development brings to postgraduate study and beyond.

At this symposium you will be informed about, and engage in discussion concerning:

- The Researcher Skill Development framework (RSD7) that extends the undergraduate RSD to the realms of postgraduate research and beyond to Professorial level.
- The outcomes of explicit RSD for undergraduates in Australian universities.
- The emerging potential for USP undergraduates to be more motivated and better prepared for postgraduate studies.
- RSD7 as a coherent thread for degree programmes to enable research capacity building at USP.

All Staff and Postgraduate students are cordially invited to the RSD7 symposium!

Light Refreshments will be served after the symposium.

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