



Connection & Collaboration

Aotearoa Business Schools' Early Career Conference

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

*You're invited to the inaugural two-day ECA Conference,
hosted by AUT in Auckland
Monday 4th July – Tuesday 5th July 2022.*

Early career academics face increasing expectations to excel across all facets of our roles: publish high-quality research, offer exceptional learning experiences in our classrooms, and ensure we're good colleagues and academic citizens. Obtaining external grant funding and translating our work to a wider audience – with social impact – are also increasingly valued in universities. However, we also face particular challenges, including limited budgets and high workloads. During the pandemic, some of these pressures have only increased. For one, networking opportunities no longer happen by accident during conference breaks!

To address the need for connecting with like-minded colleagues, and to foster productive collaborations into the future across research, teaching and citizenship, the Business Schools of Aotearoa New Zealand are banding together to offer an inaugural conference for their early career academics. Our focus is on ECA concerns, experiences, and career progression. We all have strengths in particular areas – the conference will offer an opportunity to share experience and expertise with each other.

Extended abstracts of 300-400 words can be emailed directly to the Conference Organisers (absecc2022@aut.ac.nz) by Friday 25th March 2022. Submissions should be ONE page, single-spaced, excluding any references with no headers, footers, or track changes. Decisions on acceptance of abstracts will be made within one month and communicated to authors by mid-April 2022. All contributions will be peer reviewed. Abstracts should include 3-5 keywords (to aid reviewing), FULL contact details, including all author names, institutional affiliations, mailing addresses, and e-mail addresses. To meet the eligibility requirement of being 'Early Career'¹, we ask you to also confirm the year you received your PhD.

We encourage you to submit works in progress or projects that would benefit from feedback on development, design, methods or positioning of findings/journal submission. Work currently under review at an academic journal will not be prioritized.

Conference registration will be \$200 (includes catering and the conference dinner on the Monday night). The conference will be run assuming Red Traffic Light restrictions and AUT COVID-19 guidelines. For more information, [click here](#).

Best wishes
ABSECC 2022 Organising Committee

¹ We are taking a broad view of 'Early Career' in acknowledgment everyone's career looks different, however you will need to have received your PhD less than 10 years ago and be in an academic role of Post Doc/Lecturer/Senior Lecturer.