## Associate Professor Michael Baker



Dr Michael Baker is currently the Chair of Research Ethics and Integrity at ACU, and Associate Professor of Clinical Exercise Physiology in the Faculty of Health Sciences. His research, clinical, and teaching career has focused on the integration of exercise, medicine, and behaviour change as a means to improve quality of life, particularly among older adults. His research focusses on clinical populations including those with prostate cancer, breast cancer, osteoarthritis, type 2 diabetes, osteopenia, and cognitive decline. Dr Baker's commitment to university service is evidenced by his mentorship of students at all levels and by his roles on a number of administrative, research and advisory committees. He

has independently developed and taught courses at the undergraduate and postgraduate level, coordinated ACU's Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology, and has served on the University's Human Research Ethics Committee since 2014. Dr Baker is currently the Chair of the Exercise and Sport Science Australia Accreditation Council, overseeing the accreditation framework for individuals and universities for the national peak body.

### Dr Richard Colledge



Dr Richard Colledge has been Head of ACU's national School of Philosophy since 2011, and is a member of Academic Board. He is a long serving member of the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy Board, its Research Standing Committee, and its Learning & Teaching committee (as Deputy Chair). He contributes to ACU's philosophy program on Brisbane campus through undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and HDR supervision. Dr Colledge has an MA in Philosophy from K.U. Leuven (Belgium) and a PhD from the University of Queensland, and his research focuses especially on the areas of phenomenology and hermeneutics, metaphysics, and the philosophy of religion. Prior to commencing at ACU in 2009, Dr Colledge was Academic Dean and lecturer in Philosophy at St Paul's Theological College in Brisbane, during which time he contributed to the integration of the College into ACU. As someone with a diverse academic and teaching

background in the liberal arts and the broad Catholic intellectual tradition, Dr Colledge remains a strong advocate for the centrality of philosophy, theology and the humanities to what ACU uniquely contributes to the Australian Higher Education sector, as well as the importance of these fields for enriching the internal cultural and intellectual life of our University.

### Dr Bill Franzsen



Since joining ACU in 1990, Dr Franzsen has gained broad experience across the University. Within Faculty roles have included Course Coordinator for several courses, including the BTBA. This close association with the School of Education (NSW) proved invaluable during his time Head of School, Arts and Sciences (NSW/ACT), from 2004–2007. Dr Franzsen has served two terms on Academic Board, 2011–2013 and 2016–2017, and one on Senate 2016–2019, successfully representing academic staff as their voice in decisions impacting on students, staff and University. Dr Franzsen's commitment to learning and teaching led to his secondment to LTC as Evaluation Coordinator (2008–2010). These roles and experiences have allowed him to develop excellent working relationships with staff across all sections of ACU and provided a wider perspective of University

strategy and operations. Dr Franzsen's background and concerns for the wellbeing of the students, staff and University have allowed him to play a vital role in providing staff input into the important decisions that are being made at Senate. With ongoing change, there is a need for a strong voice to safeguard the working conditions and employment of staff and the pursuit of quality Learning, Teaching and Research outcomes.

## Associate Professor Elspeth Froude



Associate Professor Elspeth Froude commenced at ACU in 2012 and has been part of the leadership team in the School of Allied Health since then. Associate Professor Froude is the Head of Discipline of Occupational Therapy (A national program across 3 states) and the Deputy Head of School of Allied Health (NSW). As a school representative on Academic Program Standing Committee and a Faculty representative on the Standards and Compliance Committee, Associate Professor Froude has been able to make valued contributions to the governance of the Faculty of Health Science and the University. Associate Prof Froude actively contributes to the occupational therapy profession through research, postgraduate teaching and several committees in Occupational Therapy Australia. She was

editor of the Australian Occupational Therapy Journal for over 7 years. Associate professor Froude has extensive research experience in occupational therapy and childhood disability and scholarship of learning and teaching.

## **Professor Daryl Higgins**



Professor Daryl Higgins is the Director of the ACU Institute of Child Protection Studies. ICPS enhances outcomes for children, young people and families through applied research, program evaluation, training, community education, advocacy and policy development. The team is recognised for its expertise in child protection, and preventing and responding to the abuse and neglect of children. Prof Higgins is a registered psychologist, researching child abuse impacts and prevention, family violence and family functioning for over 25 years. His current focus is on population-level prevention approaches and child-safe organisational strategies. Prof Higgins has a strong background in research

translation, and is keen to see how governance processes at ACU can align with best practice, making us a leader in child safety, prevention and responses; to prepare ACU undergraduate, postgraduate and non-award students with the skills to embed child abuse prevention strategies into their work with children and families; to equip students with skills to respond appropriately to victims and work with survivors of child abuse and family violence; and support culture change within youth-serving organisations that ACU and its graduates serve. Prof Higgins has previously served on Faculty Boards, and Academic Board at Deakin University.

#### Professor Tim McKenry



Professor Tim McKenry is Deputy Head in the National School of Arts on the St Patrick's Campus and a teaching-focused professor. Prof McKenry has been associated with ACU since 2006 and on staff as a lecturer in music composition and musicology since 2009. During his time at ACU, Prof McKenry has served on multiple Faculty- and University-level committees, led the review and construction of several courses, supervised staff and helped implement a range of new developments in ACU's teaching programs. Prof McKenry has an excellent understanding of the diverse policies and practices that operate at ACU and of the drivers that influence the higher education sector in Australia. He appreciate

how important good governance is to the continued success of ACU and how the perspective of a teaching academic embedded in a school can contribute to the University Senate.

# **Dr Judith Norris**



Dr Judith Norris is Senior Lecturer in Educational Leadership at ACU, Canberra campus. She has worked in the School of Education since 2010 (Strathfield, North Sydney and Canberra campuses) following employment as a teacher, school system senior executive, principal and with various coordination roles. Dr Norris' engagement with postgraduate students as aspirant leaders is informed by her recent post-doctoral research program of leadership in performative cultures. During her time at ACU, Dr Norris has undertaken leadership positions such as Deputy Head, Education Canberra and currently is the Regional Lead (ACT) for Teach for Australia as well as representing ACU on several ministerial boards: Board of Senior Secondary Studies and Teacher Quality Institute Board. Dr Norris

is currently a staff representative on ACU's Respect. Now. Always. Committee along with the Academic representative on the Canberra Chapter. Judith's capabilities from such experiences and research will ensure that the academic voice is at the table of ACU governance.

# Professor Jan Seruga



Professor Jan Seruga is currently acting as Associate Dean, Research in the Faculty of Education and Arts. He is a Fellow of the Australian Computer Society, a member of the Australian Mathematical Society and a member of the Community of Associate Deans Research in Education. Prof Seruga has made a sustained contribution to leadership at ACU through his performance in the positions of Associate Dean, Head of the School, Deputy Head and Course Coordinator. Prof Seruga's research interests are in Information Systems in Education. He is the Research Chair of SIG on

Information Systems Education in Association of Information Systems. In the past, Prof Seruga has also been a Chief Investigator on an Australian Research Council Linkage Grant. Prof Seruga is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.