Call for Papers: Macquarie University students in the Faculty of Arts are invited to present their work at the 2010 Higher Degree Research and Honours Conference. Papers and works-in-progress that fall under the general heading of “Social Sciences” and “Humanities” are welcome, including but not limited to work in the areas of Cultural Studies, Media Studies, Visual Studies, Indigenous Studies, Popular Music, History, Politics, Anthropology, Sociology, Philosophy, Writing, Literary and Textual Analysis.

Date: Friday October 1 (second week of the mid-semester break). RSVPs of attendance must be received by September 15.

Venue: Y3A T1 and adjoining conference rooms.

Abstracts: 2-300 words to be submitted to the organising committee at hdrartsconference@mq.edu.au by c.o.b. on Friday 30 July. All abstracts will be internally peer-reviewed before acceptance.

Presentations:
Three types of presentations are envisaged – Completed Research Papers, Work-in-Progress Presentations and Panels. Please refer to the guidelines for further information.

A) Completed Research Papers.
Abstracts must be received by c.o.b. on Friday 30 July via hdrartsconference@mq.edu.au. The final papers must be submitted to the conference organising committee at hdrartsconference@mq.edu.au by c.o.b. Tuesday 31 August. Completed papers must be between four and six thousand words, and must meet the style and referencing requirements of NEO: Journal for Higher Degree Research Students in the Social Sciences and Humanities. This is a refereed on-line journal (ISSN 1835-9590).

http://www.arts.mq.edu.au/for/new_and_current_hdr_candidates/hdr_journals/hdr_journal
No paper previously presented, accepted, published or under review is eligible for presentation at this conference. The author of each completed research paper accepted will be given a maximum of 15 minutes to present their work.

Please note the following when submitting your completed paper:

• Submission of the full paper by e-mail attachment in MS Word is required.
• The paper must have a separate title page containing the paper’s title, the author’s name and contact details, the supervisor’s name and contact details.
• A second title page is required with only the paper’s title and the paper’s abstract. DO NOT INCLUDE THE AUTHOR’S OR SUPERVISOR’S NAMES.
• Remove identifying information, e.g. name and contact details, from every page (ie – do not include such information in the header or footer of the paper).

All completed papers will be considered for publication in NEO. To this end, they will be both internally reviewed and then externally blind reviewed. If you do not want your paper to be considered for NEO, please state this clearly in your proposal submission.

B) Work-In-Progress Presentations.
Please send your abstracts by the due date. If accepted, authors of work-in-progress papers will be allocated no more than 10 minutes for their presentation.

Please note the following when submitting your work-in-progress abstract:
• Submission by e-mail attachment in MS Word is required.
• Please include a separate title page containing the work’s title, the author’s and supervisor’s names and contact details.
• Also include a second title page with only the work’s title and the paper’s abstract. DO NOT INCLUDE THE AUTHOR’S OR SUPERVISOR’S NAMES.

C) Proposals for Panels.
Students intending to participate in the conference are encouraged to propose panels where papers are linked by theme. Panel presentations can be either completed papers or works-in-progress, or a mixture of both.

Please note the following when submitting proposals for panels:
• Submission by e-mail attachment in MS Word is required.
• Cross-Disciplinary panels are particularly encouraged and will be given preference.
• Panel proposals should contain the panel title, a description of the panel’s subject (approx 250 words) and the names and contact details of the proposed participants.

Call for Volunteers:

Staff and students interested in volunteering to help run the conference in 2010 are welcome. Please contact Dr Willa McDonald at willa.mcdonald@mq.edu.au if you would like to help out.