

# Foreword

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Welcome to the inaugural volume of the Ursula Hall Academic Journal. An exciting collection of works consisting of topics drawn from a range of disciplines which are the result of 12 months of determination from our Editor-in-Chief Henry Poetrodjojo and his editorial team. This journal draws on research from the youngest community on campus, as Ursula Hall Main Wing is predominantly first and second year students. The main aim of this journal is to provide more opportunities for undergraduate students to publish their work as we know that this kind of activity helps to build on student interest in their academic field and to support them in choosing their path in postgraduate studies.

The Australian National University has a culture of supporting great ideas generated by students and it is my pleasure and privilege to support this initiative and to be asked to write the foreword. ANU is a world leader in research and this publication demonstrates that research is not solely the domain of postgraduate students and academic staff. It is hoped through publishing these papers that were extensively reviewed by ANU academics, that others will be inspired to submit works in the future, building on the culture of undergraduate research here at ANU. This publication further adds to the undergraduate research activities at ANU, which include the ANU Learning Communities, ANU Student Research Conference, Summer Research Program, Winter School, Bruce Hall's *Cross-sections* and much more.

I would like to thank the students who bravely submitted their work to be peer reviewed by academics and I would also like to thank the academic staff who gave up their time to review these works.

I know you will enjoy reading every article presented here due both to the high quality of academic integrity and breadth of discipline.

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