

# The Economics of Intergenerational Mobility



A one-day conference to be held on Monday 30 November 2009

Venue: Finkel Lecture Theatre, John Curtin School of Medical Research, Australian National University

## 8.15-8.30am Coffee & Registration

**8.30-8.45am Terry Moran AO, Secretary of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet**  
*Opening Speech*

**8.45-9.45am Daniel Waldenström, Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Sweden**  
[\*Intergenerational Top Income Mobility in Sweden - A Combination of Equal Opportunity and Capitalistic Dynasties\*](#) (with Anders Björklund and Jesper Roine)

## 9.45-10.15am Morning Tea

**10.15-11.15am Xin Meng, Australian National University**  
*Intergenerational Income Mobility in Urban China* (with Cathy Gong and Andrew Leigh)

**11.15-12.15pm Guyonne Kalb, University of Melbourne**  
[\*Intergenerational Correlation of Labour Market Outcomes\*](#) (with Nicolas Héroult)

## 12.15-1.30pm Lunch

**1.30-2.30pm Michael Shields, University of Melbourne**  
[\*Childhood Economic Conditions and Length of Life: Evidence from the UK Boyd Orr Cohort, 1937-2005\*](#) (with Paul Frijters, Timothy Hatton and Richard Martin)

**2.30-3.30pm Buly Cardak, La Trobe University**  
*Intergenerational Earnings Mobility and Ability: Empirical Estimates for the US and Britain* (with David Johnston, Vance Martin and Chris Ryan)

## 3.30-4.00pm Afternoon Tea

**4.00-5.00pm Deborah Cobb-Clark, Australian National University**  
[\*Cultural Transition and the Intergenerational Correlation in Welfare Receipt\*](#) (with Juan Barón and Nisvan Erkal)

What determines how far the apple falls from the tree? This conference draws together research on a variety of countries, looking at intergenerational mobility in terms of ability, attitudes, health, education, the labour market and inheritances. It is particularly well-suited to policymakers and experts who wish to better understand these diverse aspects of social mobility.

The conference is organized by Andrew Leigh and is presented by the Economics Program of the Research School of Social Sciences. Partial support has been provided by the Australian Research Council.

Each paper has been allocated 1 hour, which will be comprised of a 30 minute presentation, a 10 minute discussant's critique, and 20 minutes of questions from the audience.



**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Conference on the Economics of Intergenerational Mobility**  
**Australian National University, Monday 30 November 2009**

One of the aims of this conference is to encourage more Australian research on the economics of intergenerational mobility. Accordingly, registration is free for:

- full-time university faculty
- full-time university students

For catering purposes, we require registration forms to be submitted as soon as possible, and no later than 16 November 2009.

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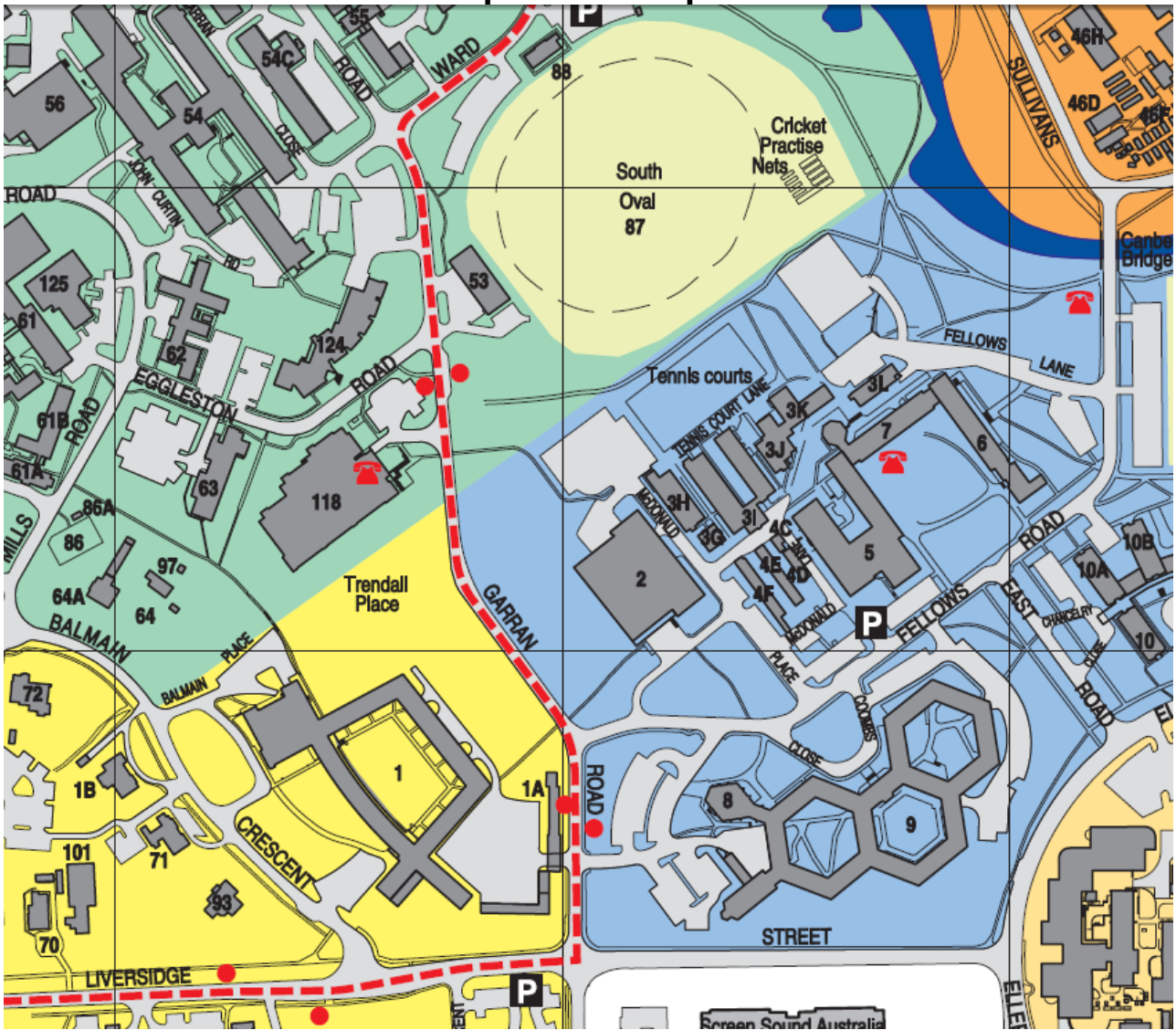
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*For those who are not affiliated with a university, conference registration is \$195 per person. Please email [Beth Lawton](mailto:beth.lawton@anu.edu.au) for a payment form.*

## Map of ANU Campus



**Building 54 - John Curtin School of Medical Research (conference venue)**

**Building 1 - University House (on-campus accommodation)**

**Building 9 – Coombs Building (Economics RSSS)**