

VISTA 2026 – Flinders Innovative Teaching Symposium

Theme: "Innovating for Learning and Teaching Impact: Towards Transforming 10 Million Lives"

Venue: Alere South Function Centre, Bedford Park, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Program Schedule

Welcome 9:30 am – 9:45 am

- VISTA symposium organiser (Rajesh Johnsam, on behalf of VISTA Team)
- Prof Michelle Picard & Prof Chris Kee

Keynote Address 9:45 – 10:15 am

A/Professor Mark A. Bassett

Director, Academic Quality, Standards, and Integrity, and Academic Lead (Artificial Intelligence), Charles Sturt University

‘The role of innovation in teaching and learning in addressing the challenges and opportunities of the AI era’

Theme 1: Content Delivery Innovation 10:15 am – 11: 20 am

Chair: Andrew Groves, VISTA Team

Nos	Presentation Title	College/Portfolio	Presenters & Co-authors
1	Survivor Island: Experiential Learning to Develop Students Understanding of Group Work Theory and Practice	Medicine & public health	Fiona Glover
2	Breaking Learning into Pieces: Using Jigsaws for Collaborative Learning in Nursing Education	Health and Enablement	Tegan Budd Co-authors: Clair Kay, Abigail Waller, and Mandy Roach

3	Enhancing International Student Transition Through a Digital Healthcare System Orientation Shell	Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	Dr Peivand Bastani
4	Comparing Traditional and Multisensory Learning Approaches for Teaching the Musculoskeletal System: A Post-Test Study	Health and Enablement	Dr Rowaida Sleem Co-author: Claudia Diaz
5	Utilising Gamification/Serious Games for Embedding Sustainability in Teaching	Science and Engineering	Dr. Afrooz Bayat Co-authors: Dr. Afrooz Bayat, Dr. Afshin Tanouri, Dr Matthew Stephenson, Professor Giselle Rampersad

Theme 2: Curriculum Design & Assessment Innovation 11:25 am – 12:30 pm

Chair: Hafij Ullah, VISTA Team

Nos	Presentation Title	College/Portfolio	Presenters & Co-authors
1	From Theory to Trading Room: Gamification and Experiential Learning in Finance Education	Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	Dr G M Wali Ullah
2	Better Together - Curriculum Innovation for Interprofessional Practice in Emergency Care	Medicine & public health	A/Prof Andrew Makkink Co-author: Shannon Macfarlane
3	Talking the Talk: Scaling Interactive Oral Assessment for Deeper Learning and Integrity	Science and Engineering	A/Professor Masha Smallhorn, Dr Narelle Hunter, Dr Chris Della Vedova
4	Arts-Based Anatomy Assessment for Transferable Skill Development	Health and Enablement	Dr Rowaida Sleem Co-author: Dr Aarti Gulyani, and Dr Oluwatomilayo Omoya
5	Enhancing Learning through Case-Based Pedagogy and Concept Mapping: A Practice-Based Reflection	Medicine & public health	Dr Yuh Ping Chong Co-author: Dr Mehrnaz Keyhanfar

Lunch Break 12: 30 pm – 1: 00 pm

Theme 3: AI-integrated teaching Innovation 1:00 pm – 1:55 pm*Chair: Peivand Bastani, VISTA Team*

Nos	Presentation Title	College/Portfolio	Presenters & Co-authors
1	Students as Co-Creators: Integrating NORA, an Agentic AI Companion, to Shape Learning Experiences in Asia Pacific International Business	Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	Dr Masaba Adneen
2	Building healthcare student knowledge of the strengths, limitations, and risks associated with using generative artificial intelligence tools	Health and Enablement	Dr Jennifer Fish Co-author: Dr Katie Ekberg
3	Developing student feedback literacy and evaluative judgement through tutor and AI-mediated feedback	Learning & Teaching Innovation	Dr Lauren Butterworth
4	Communicating with learners regarding learning with GAI & assessment in Clinical Education/HPE	Medicine & public health	Dr Nayia Cominos Co-author: Dr Gillian Kette, Dr Nicola Parkin, others in CLin Ed team TBC

Theme 4: Work Integrated Learning Innovation 2 pm – 3:00 pm*Chair: Naser Pourazad, VISTA Team*

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1	Kindred Labs: Building Flinders' First Student-Led Digital Communications Agency	Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	Dr Lisa Harrison
2	Experiential Learning: Negotiating Emerging Political Challenges	Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	Dr Maryanne Kelton Co-author: Rianna Lopez
3	Interprofessional Placement Innovation in Nutrition and Dietetics	Health and Enablement	Dr Rosalie Yandell Co-authors: Claire Smith, Yvonne Inglis, Amy Brown, Lucilla Chiro
4	Empowering the future workforce, today: Student-led exercise oncology services as a model of work integrated learning, care, and research	Health and Enablement	Dr Matt Wallen Co-authors: Nathan Chesterfield, Laura Falconer, Ash Hopkins, Andrew Rowland, Holly Evans

5	The Bachelor of Allied Health: Growing our own health professionals in rural communities	Health and Enablement	Dr Ali Dymmott
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Tea Break 3: 00 pm – 3: 15 pm

Round table discussion: Emerging Transformative Teaching Practices: 3:15 pm – 4: 15 pm

Facilitators: Hongyi Liang, Mahmoud Moussa, Ashleigh Powell - VISTA Team

1	A New Approach to Sessional Staff Training at Flinders University	Learning and Teaching Innovation & Human Sciences & Culture	Dr Grace Chipperfield and Dr Georgina Maddox
2	Curating Curriculum: The University Museum as a Catalyst for Innovation	VPCS – Flinders University Art Museum	Fiona Salmon & Dr Belinda Howden
3	Vibe coding to support case-based learning	Health and Enablement	A/Professor Matt Sutton
4	Interweaving Future-Focused Pedagogies	Human Sciences & Culture & Business, Creative arts, Law & Social sciences	A/Professor Mai Ngo & Dr Hafij Ullah

Concluding Session: 4:15 – 4:30 pm

Reflections

Concluding Remarks – Prof Michelle Picard & VISTA Leadership Team (Andrew/Hafij/Peivand)