History of AAUP

Australian Association of University Professors

www.professoriate.org

Founded in November 2018

Why is history so important?

Because human nature does NOT change

Dedication

Stefan Grimm (1963-2014)

Who killed himself when he was a Professor at Imperial College London because he was severely bullied by management

Professor found dead after cash row: Cancer scientist said to have told fellow academics that chiefs treated him 'like s***'

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Stefan Grimm (1963-2014)

Before he killed himself he had been a witness to my own persecution as a whistleblower and I hold so far unpublished correspondence where he refers to that

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I was suspended by

Leszek Borysiewicz

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From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Sir Leszek Krzysztof Borysiewicz FRS FRCP FMedSci FLSW DL (born 13 April 1951) is a British professor, immunologist and scientific administrator. He served as the 345th Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, his term of office (a maximum of seven years) started on 1 October 2010 and ended on 1 October 2017. Borysiewicz also served as chief executive of the Medical Research Council of the UK from 2007-2010 and has held the role of chairman at Cancer Research UK since 2016. [5][6][7][8][9]

Education and early life [edit]

Leszek Krzysztof Borysiewicz^[10] was born in Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom, to Jan and Zofia (née Wołoszyn) Borysiewicz, ethnic Polish World War II-era refugees (from what is present-day Belarus) who came to Great Britain with the Anders' Army.^[11] He still speaks fluent Polish. After attending Cardiff High School, Borysiewicz studied at Welsh National School of Medicine of Cardiff University, where he obtained a BSc in anatomy 1972, followed by an MB BCh medical degree in 1975.^[12] He received a PhD degree from University of London (Imperial College London) in 1986 for his thesis on Cell mediated immunity to human cytomegalovirus infection (cytotoxic T cell and natural killer cell mediated lysis of human cytomegalovirus infected cells) supervised by J.G.P. Sissons and Keith Peters.^[1]

Sir Leszek Borysiewicz FRS FRCP FMedSci FLSW DL



Borysiewicz in 2008

345th Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge

In office

1 October 2010 - 1 October 2017

Chancellor

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Credit: Wikipedia

for reporting (!) fraud

To distance myself from this management at Imperial College London I closed the University Department of Neuropathology I had founded and resigned to win a whistleblowing case the following year

He was the Rector (VC) at the time who formally lost the whistleblowing case against me

GlaxoSmithKline

Terry Macalister

▼@TerryMac999Thu 5 Jul 2012 04.54 AEST

• This article is more than 10 years old

GlaxoSmithKline: former chairman denies knowledge of \$3bn US deal

Richard Sykes says pharmacy firm's issues 'complicated', as FairPensions urges pursuit of executive malpractice



□ Sir Richard Sykes, former chair of GlaxoSmithKline, which has been criticised for 'putting profits above ethics'. Photograph: Richard Saker

Sir Richard Sykes, the former chairman of GlaxoSmithKline, has refused to criticise actions at the large pharmaceutical company, saying he had "not a clue" about the details of a \$3bn settlement with US authorities.

Credit: Guardian

Case number of the whistleblowing case against Imperial College:

Ruling by the London Employment Tribunals, case of Professor M Graeber v. Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine (Case Number 2202785/2007), 7 May 2008

with funding provided by the British Medical Association which is gratefully acknowledged

However, those responsible got away*, at least initially, because, of course, history is catching up with them and there are GB of information in the public domain

*The reason this was possible is that a police investigation was prevented

It is one of my déjà vu experiences in Australia and I will get back to that

Good
experience
as a postdoc
when
management
did do what was
right

Harvard has VERITAS in its crest



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Déjà vu

"When I see the hunted look in the eyes of my young academic colleagues at staff meetings, I thank God that my career started earlier. Academic values and excellence are covered in a rising tide of manure."

Professor John Hearn in 2017, former DVC Intl, USyd (with permission)

Calendar for staff

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President's Report for 2017/18

Unlearn reality? Relearn University!

An average citizen in the street will likely answer the question What is a University? with A place where students go. But why do they flock there? The students want to learn. And how do they learn? From their teachers, professors in particular and other scholars at the University. Accordingly, students and their academic teachers form the core of every university.

There is no other institution in Society where the distinction between knowledge worth preserving and the recognition of novel insights worth teaching represents the core and most important value underlying its mission. The eternal character of this value and the resulting research and teaching endeavours are embodied in this University's coat of arms: *Sidere mens eadem mutato*.





What should Universities be?



22-23 NOVEMBER 2018

FW: USAP

From: David Fraser <david.fraser@sydney.edu.au> (resent from manuel.graeber@sydney.edu.au)

To: Manuel Graeber <manuel.graeber@sydney.edu.au>

Date: 20/10/17 01:35

Dear Manuel

This interesting email (below) has just come in. Perhaps you might like to reply to it?

Regards

David

Friday 20 October 2017

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From: Howard Brasted [hbrasted@une.edu.au] Sent: Friday , October 20, 2017 11:19 AM

To: David Fraser Subject: USAP

Dear Professor Fraser.

A number of Professors at the University of New England have been meeting over the last few months with the objective of restarting the Professoriate here. It was last active in the early 1990s.

While your webpage looks to be out of date as well and you are listed as Secretary as far back as 2012-2013, I was hoping that you may be able to steer me in the direction of current office holders. USUP's advice on how to proceed might prove invaluable.

A number of the more 'politically' interested Professors here are anxious to channel their collective energies into an Association that can provide a degree of leadership and experience in a period of yet another unsettling restructure at the UNE.

Thanks you in advance

Howard Brasted

Howard Brasted PhD(Edin) BAHons (Well) Professor of history and Islamic studies Co-Director of UNE Asia-Pacific Centre School of Humanities University of New England Ph: 61 267 732081

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By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall!

The politics of higher education – extended abstract (pdf, 23KB)	Professor John Hewson AM
Why is the market for degrees different to the market for apples? Asymmetric information and higher education – extended abstract (pdf, 277KB)	Tony Asporomourgos
Aligning institutional incontinus with good social outcomes – extended abstract (ndf. 73KP)	Ross Gittins, Economics Editor, the Sydney Morning

Aligning institutional incentives with good social outcomes – extended abstract (pdf, 73KB)

Keynote lecture: who or what leads a university in 2018? - full presentation (pdf, 125KB)

How can universities best prepare students for the future of work? - full presentation (pdf, 98KB)

Images and representations of the University: from Cardinal Newman to Ernst and Young - PowerPoint presentation (pdf, 516KB)

Global and local: what should a top international university be? (pdf, 153KB)

Professor Joseph Davis

Professor John Hearn

Herald

University

University of Bristol, UK

Professor Manuel Graeber

Professor Sir Eric Thomas, Vice Chancellor (to 2016),

Professor Peter Shergold, Chancellor Western Sydney

Australian Conference (Association) of University Professors and close of conference - PowerPoint presentation (pdf, 8MB)

The undersigned are participants of their conference, "What should Universities be?", held at the University of Sydney from 22 November until 23 November 2018

This document serves to authorize an application for registration with the NSW Department of Fair Trading

in order to establish

THE AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS (AAUP), INC.

The purpose of this association will be to enable professors to fulfil collectively their special roles and responsibilities at the different Australian Universities where they work.

The name of the association shall be "The Australian Association of University Professors" (AAUP), Inc.

The name of the association's first public officer is Professor Chris Murphy.

I herewith authorize an application for registration with the NSW Department of Fair Trading as described above by Professor Chris Murphy, which will be submitted after this conference.

Sydney, 23 November 2018

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THE AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS INCORPORATED

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Registration Number INC1900127

Date of Incorporation 30 January 2019

Issued by NSW Fair Trading on 30 January 2019.

Rose Webb Fair Trading Commissioner NSW Fair Trading RE: Mailing

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Date: 25/06/19 13:04

Manuel I spoke to Prof. Michael Bird of James Cook University, Townsville (Michael.bird@jcu.edu.au<mailto:Michael.bird@jcu.edu.au>), at the AMOS-ICTMO meeting in Darwin, about the need for university reform and the inaction by the professoriate up till now.

(Explaining my continued absence, afterwards I had fun flying a Mavic 2 drone equipped with meteorological sensors over irrigated and non-irrigated land near Kununurra, WA to obtain data to test my hypothesis that the increase in global irrigation is affecting climate change since 1960 (now 4% more water going on land)).

I suggest he would be receptive to an approach from you about our 10 Pillars and the need for cooperative action by the professoriate.

Ivan

From: Manuel Graeber < manuel.graeber@sydney.edu.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 25 June 2019 8:12 AM

To: Chris Murphy <<u>chris.murphy@sydney.edu.au</u>>; Ivan Kennedy <<u>ivan.kennedy@sydney.edu.au</u>>; Iver Cairns <<u>iver.cairns@sydney.edu.au</u>>; John Hearn

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<les.copeland@svdnev.edu.au>

Subject: Mailing

Dear Colleagues,

I have changed one word, this -> your as shown in the attached.

Planning to send this tonight if I don't hear otherwise.

Kind regards

M anuel

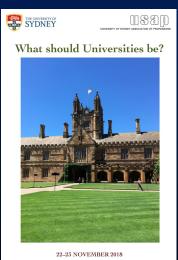
The rest was mainly a matter of getting as many quality email addresses from the internet as possible (5,500; by hand)

The importance of an Australian academic IT infrastructure became very clear

The Pillars of a University

- 1. Universities are communities of scholars and researchers whose aim is to seek and create knowledge by pursuing free and open enquiry, scholarship, research and learning, and to assist and encourage students to do the same.
- 2. Universities should provide a nurturing environment that supports students, teachers, researchers and other staff to achieve their best as creative, inquiring and free-thinking people.
- 3. The inherent relationship between teaching and research-

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Role of AAUP

Constitution of the

Australian Association of University Professors Inc. (AAUP)

29 February 2020

Ratified on 20 March 2020 at the First Annual General Meeting

Objects
of Australian Association of University
Professors Incorporated (Association)

3 The objects for which the Association is established are:

(4) to provide consultation to Government and other groups of people (bodies, institutions, systems) that are in need of high quality information and advice, the latter based on best available evidence and 'the unforced force of the better argument', at the exclusion of external constraints such as power or money¹; and to inform the general public when deemed appropriate;

AAUP needs to stay above party politics

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Politics is the art of the possible

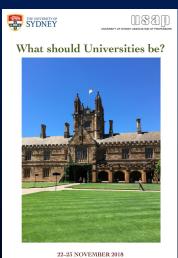
Otto von Bismarck 1815–98

In conversation with Meyer von Waldeck, 11 August 1867

... and thus not necessarily based on principles

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Academics have to align with factual truth and the best argument

and that is really ALL they should ever align with

Whistle-blowing is a societal mechanism that is important for the evolution of modern democracy

STUDENTS 'SEEN AS CASH COWS'

Unis 'are dumbing down out of greed'

EXCLUSIVE

NATASHA BITA EDUCATION EDITOR

Angry academics are blaming university chiefs for "dumbing down" degrees to enrol students with low levels of literacy and numeracy as "cash cows".

With 200,000 international

investigated," the PUA told the Senate inquiry into student debt.

"Consequently, those engaged in such activities cannot be held accountable for their actions, nor can they be prosecuted.

"The result is a feeding frenzy free-for-all by private consultancies and contractors that are providing 'services' which were previously provided by university employees. March 2023

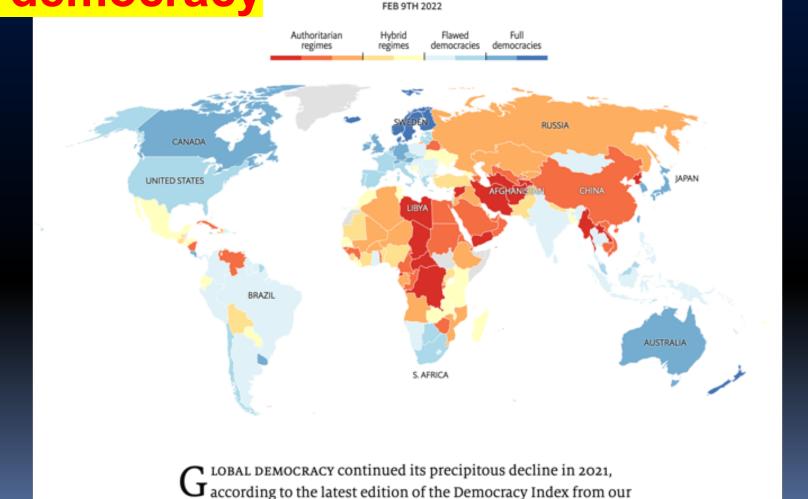
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A good university is about principle not money

Big picture

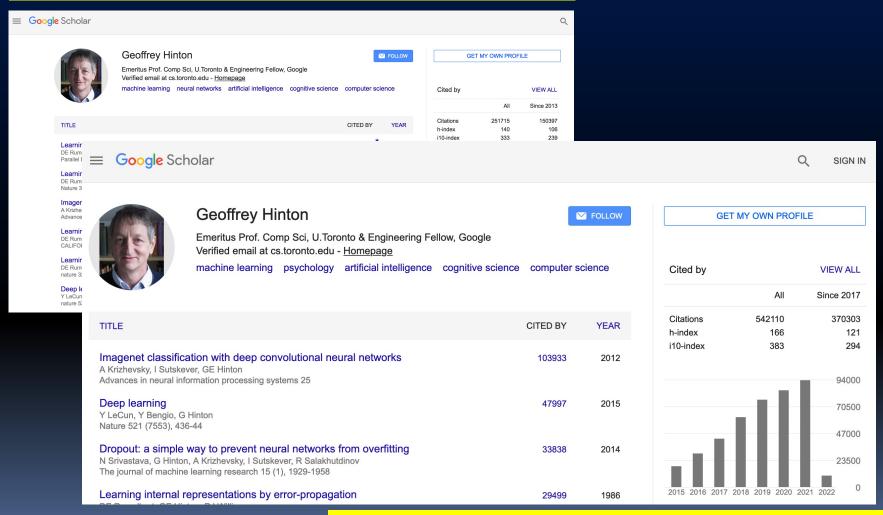
A new low for global democracy

The global threat restrictions damaged democratic freedoms in 2021 to democracy



Industrial Revolution 4.0, robotics

Artificial Intelligence



Requires democratic control

The Brexit disaster

There is no alternative to democracy with all its weaknesses (e.g., Brexit, Trump, Johnson)

"ignorance and foolishness do not oppress in the same way that knowledge and wisdom do" (David

Runciman)



https://www.theguardian.com/news/2018/may/01/why-replacing-politicians-with-experts-is-a-reckless-idea

Politicians **deserve** more support

(Are we not all two questions away from ignorance?)

The professoriate is an underutilized resource for high quality information

AAUP in other countries

Déjà vu

We know of a number of submissions to the New South Wales Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) by senior academics of the University of Sydney that were not investigated

We will take this up with the new National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) as soon as this is feasible and we will keep the public informed about problems

Let's work on better protections for academics (whistleblowers) to secure a better future for (education) in this country Academics as well as managers who do not uphold academic values and who do not follow academic principles do not deserve to be at a university

They must go

Let's work on that together!

By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall!

THANK YOU!