

### What can the APS offer?

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#### The APS

- Largest Australian professional organisation for psychologists
- Represents >21,000 members
- A long and proud history of advocating for psychology to improve the psychological health of Australians
- Provides guidance and support to its members
- The work and research of APS psychologists collectively benefits hundreds of thousands of Australians
- Committed to the next generation of psychologists



# What is the PsyBA?

The Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA) is the governmentappointed regulatory body for psychologists and a separate organisation from the APS.

#### PsyBA functions include:

- Registration of psychologists and provisional psychologists
- Handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- Setting registration requirements



#### Information for Students

- APS Website: <a href="www.psychology.org.au">www.psychology.org.au</a>
- Study and careers tab → Psych Student HQ

- 1. Studying psychology
  - Description of available pathways
- 2. Careers in psychology
  - Types of psychology



#### Information for Students

- 3. Benefits of belonging
- 4. Psychologists' Stories
  - Short film
  - More Psychologists' Stories
- 5. News and updates for students



# Membership Types

- Student Subscriber
- Affiliate
- Associate Member (Assoc MAPS)
- Member (MAPS)



#### Student Subscriber

- This type of membership is available to students who are currently completing a university course in psychology (undergraduate or postgraduate degree).
- A psychology coordinator, lecturer or head of the psychology department must verify a student's application.
- Annual fee: \$85



#### **Affiliate**

- This grade requires the completion of a three-year sequence of study in psychology.
- Annual fee: \$297.50



#### **Associate Member**

- This grade is available to those who have completed a four-year sequence of study in psychology.
- Associate Members of the APS can use the postnominals Assoc MAPS, for Associate Member of the APS. For example, Peter Lee Assoc MAPS.
- Associate Member: \$446.25
- Associate Member, New Graduate: \$297.50
- Graduate reduction & Student reduction available



### Benefits of Student Membership

A large range of APS student member benefits, including:

- Access to member-only professional resources
- InPsych
- Discounted rates for conferences, workshops, seminars and events
- Psych Student HQ Facebook page, Twitter & LinkedIn



## Albury Wodonga Branch

- North-East Victoria and Albury
- 83 Members
- Includes 12 Student Subscribers



#### Committee

- Chair: Aleks Tarnawski
- Deputy Chair, Secretary, Communications Officer: Bronwyn Wood
- Treasurer: Chris Gullifer
- Website Editor: Caroline Frees
- Committee Member: Tracy Horner
- Student Representatives: Jade Fitzgerald, Ray Kuhnell



# What is the role of the Albury Wodonga Branch?

- Professional development events
  - Seminars
  - Workshops
- Networking opportunities
- Provide information to members re local psychology events and news



#### Albury Wodonga Branch website

- Go to <u>www.psychology.org.au</u>
- Membership tab
- Select Member Groups
- Under Branches, click on <u>Branch webpage</u>
- Select Albury/Wodonga



# Thank you!

- APS Albury Wodonga Branch Committee & Student Representatives
- Today's Presenters
- La Trobe University Psychology Department
- Lifeline