



## **WELCOME**



On behalf of the Charles Sturt University (CSU) community, I would like to congratulate you on the successful completion of your studies. Today you will be admitted to your degree, which recognises the hard work you have done to achieve a standard of excellence in your chosen field of learning.

Learning is the product of an active collaboration among students and staff of the University. In acknowledging your contribution to the intellectual life of the University, I also recognise the dedication of our academic and other staff and their commitment to supporting our students to achieve the best in their studies.

I hope you have enjoyed being part of the CSU community, and I welcome you today as the newest members of the alumni of the University. Under the Charles Sturt University statute, each graduate automatically becomes an alumni member and we hope you will continue your association with the University. As alumni, you will enjoy the opportunity to maintain and grow the professional and friendship networks that are so important to your future, but will also gain access to the member benefits enjoyed by thousands of CSU's alumni around the world.

As you have done over the past few years, I know that each of you will continue to strive to achieve your best in your future life and careers, and remain committed to becoming wise, active professionals contributing to the public good.

Professor Andrew Vann Vice-Chancellor and President





## ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

## Order of proceedings

The academic procession will enter the hall with the congregation standing

Aboriginal Welcome to Country

Proceedings will be opened and guests welcomed

The occasional address

Presentation of graduates

Vote of thanks on behalf of graduates

The Esquire Bedell will lead the Academic Procession off stage

Refreshments will be served following the ceremony

## The Charles Sturt University charge

As a graduate of Charles Sturt University, you are entrusted to:

- work collaboratively with others for the benefit of your profession and community
- utilise the knowledge and skills you have acquired to live well and add to the nation's common wealth and to the public good
- remain connected to the University and your fellow graduates through the CSU alumni network







## **OUR HISTORY**

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## **Captain Charles Napier Sturt**

The name of the University honours the noted explorer and public servant Captain Charles Napier Sturt, who was born in India on 28 April 1795.

At five years of age, Sturt was sent to England for his school education, but financial circumstances prevented his later entry to university. In 1813, he gained a military commission serving in France, Ireland and Canada. Promoted to Captain in 1825, he sailed for New South Wales and arrived in Sydney on 23 May 1827. He was appointed military secretary to the Governor, taking a strong interest in the exploration of the Australian continent.

In November 1828, the Governor agreed to Sturt leading an expedition of inland New South Wales. Over subsequent years, Sturt would trace the course of the Macquarie, Darling, Castlereagh, Lachlan, Murrumbidgee and Murray rivers - the principal rivers sustaining the regions that the University has been established to serve.

Commenting on his journeys, Sturt wrote:

A wish to contribute to the public good led me to undertake those journeys which cost me so much. I should exceedingly regret it if it were thought that I had volunteered hazardous and important undertakings for the love of adventure alone ... though in no case could a career be more honourable than that of discovery ...

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Charles Napier Sturt's life exemplifies that great tradition of intellectual inquiry, discovery and the advancement of knowledge embraced by Charles Sturt University.

In recognition of his commitment, we have adopted the words "For the Public Good" as the motto of the University.



## **History**

The history of Charles Sturt University dates back to 1895-6, with the establishment of the Bathurst Experimental Farm and Wagga Wagga Experimental Farm as places of training, education and research. Formed progressively through the amalgamation of regional institutes of higher education in south-western and western New South Wales, Charles Sturt University was officially incorporated as a university by the Governor of New South Wales on 19 July 1989.

The University currently operates campuses in Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Canberra, Dubbo, Goulburn, Orange, Parramatta, Port Macquarie and Wagga Wagga.

While one of Australia's newer universities, Charles Sturt University has been built on a tradition of excellence in teaching and research spanning more than 100 years.



## THE GRADUATION CEREMONY

Prior to the Graduation Ceremony, the University Council receives recommendations from Academic Senate to admit to degrees those students (known as graduands) who have successfully completed a course of study and the prescribed examinations. Academic Senate is responsible for assuring the academic standards of the University, and for determining the eligibility of students for admission to a degree. The University Council acts on advice of Academic Senate and resolves formally to admit the graduands, effective from the date of a Graduation Ceremony of the University.

### **Academic dress**

Academic dress for Bachelor and Masters consists of a black gown, hood and a trencher. Following the long traditions of universities, in the Masters gown the arms are exposed from the elbow down, while in the Bachelor gown the arms are not visible. While the gown shows the degree to which the graduate has been admitted, the hood bears the colours of the discipline in which the graduate attained their degree.

# Faculty of Arts Red with lining in white Faculty of Business Red with lining in smalt blue Faculty of Education Red with lining in grass green Faculty of Science Red with lining in gold

## The University Mace

The University Mace is the symbol of the University as an independent academy of scholars constituted under legal authority. During medieval times, the Mace was stamped with the Royal Arms and became the symbol of the authority and jurisdiction of the Crown. In academic ceremonies, the Mace is borne in procession immediately before the Chancellor, or representative of the University Council, and is placed before her or him during formal academic ceremonies.

The Charles Sturt University Mace is crafted from timbers indigenous to the locations of Charles Sturt University's campuses, including Australian Birds Eye Red Gum, Ancient Red Gum, Yellow Box and White Box.

The Dome of the Mace is inset with the University Coat of Arms in sterling silver, granted by Letters Patent to Charles Sturt University by the Royal College of Arms.

The Mace reflects the traditions and authority of the University, while symbolising its multiple geographies and Unique responsibility to the people of rural and regional Australia.







# WELCOME TO CSU ALUMNI

Graduation is a momentous day in the life of any student. Not only do you officially receive your degree, you also join the talented men and women who have come before you by taking your place in our vibrant CSU Alumni community.

You join 180,000 CSU alumni in Australia and around the world, many of whom work in your industry, share your passions and goals, and are happy to share their time and expertise with fellow CSU graduates.

A range of events, education, health, lifestyle and travel benefits is also yours, including a 10% discount on any future postgraduate studies you undertake with us, simply because you're CSU Alumni.

All you need to do to take advantage of these benefits is keep an eye on your inbox for your 'Welcome to Alumni' email, which includes links to all the details.

While you may have completed your studies, being part of CSU Alumni means you'll always be part of CSU. We hope you remain connected with us and that we can continue to add richness to your life long after graduation.

For more information, visit: www.csu.edu.au/alumni or email alumni@csu.edu.au

To view a full list of CSU Graduates please visit: graduations.csu.edu.au/search-graduates



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## Make a difference

Many Alumni give back to CSU by volunteering their time and expertise in mentoring students, curating social media pages, hosting alumni events and starting Alumni Chapters. Many also make a donation to a CSU Foundation program they care about.

These generous gifts of time and money show just how deeply CSU Alumni care about higher education and how much pride they take in their University. They are investing in the next generation of CSU students because they understand the value of education, and this creates a wonderful cycle of giving.

You too can make a difference.
To find out more, email: csugive@csu.edu.au
or visit our website: www.csu.edu.au/give





Don't forget to give something back along the way. Australia will be a better, stronger place if we all embraced a little philanthropy.

## **Angelos Frangopoulos**

Alumnus and current CEO and Managing Editor, Australian News Channel Pty Ltd

## Past and present officeholders

Chancellors

Dr Michele Allan 2014 to present

Mr Lawrence Willett, AO 2003 to 2014

Mr David Asimus, AO 1989 to 2002

**Deputy Chancellors** 

Mr Peter Hayes, AM 2014 to present

Ms Kathryn Pitkin, AM 2007 to 2014

Mr Ian Macintosh, AM 2003 to 2007

Mrs Anne Brassil 1999 to 2003

Emeritus Professor James Seymour Hagan, AM 1992 to 1999

Emeritus Professor Bruce Mansfield, AM 1990 to 1992

**Pro Chancellors** 

Mrs Carole McDiarmid, PSM 2014 to present

Mr Angelos Frangopoulos 2014 to present

Mr Kurt Fearnley 2014 to present

Mr Ian Macintosh, AM 2009 to 2012

Vice-Chancellors

Professor Andrew Vann 2012 to present

Emeritus Professor Ian Goulter, AM 2001 to 2011

Emeritus Professor Clifford Blake, AO 1990 to 2001

Professor L Michael Birt, AO CBE (Interim) 1989 to 1990

Presiding Officers of Academic Senate

Professor Jo-Anne Reid 2014 to present

Professor Ben Bradley 2009 to 2014

Emeritus Professor Kevin Robards 2007 to 2009

Emeritus Professor David Green 1998 to 2006

Professor Brian Cornish 1996 to 1998

Emeritus Professor Clifford Blake, AO 1990 to 1996

Professor L Michael Birt 1989 to 1990

## COMPANION OF CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY

The Charles Sturt University Council may confer the title Companion of University on any person who has provided outstanding service / contribution in the form of:

- providing significant support of the advancement of the University or development of the students of the University;
- making a significant contribution to the life of and objectives of the University; development of inland Australia or the regions served by the University; and/ or the development of the University's infrastructure or services.

## Companions of Charles Sturt University

Emeritus Professor Ian Goulter, AM	2014
Dr Henry Gardiner	2014
Mr Ian Macintosh, AM	2011
Dr Douglas Bryden, AM	2011
Mr John Mahon	2007
Mr Ian Dean	2006
Mrs Anne Brassil	2003

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