

Allies in Research and in Life: Perspectives from Advocates in Academia

An ally is someone who cooperates or helps another individual in a particular activity, which is important for healthy families, productive organizations, and societal advancement. Catherine Fox suggests in *Stop Fixing Women* that most mentoring programs have failed to advance gender equality, and that allies are essential for culture change, a point that is also apparent from the recent success of the marriage equality movement. Yet in the highly competitive landscape of academia, allies are often few and far between, particularly for individuals with limited power or privilege. This event will highlight the experiences of people who have benefitted from—and ultimately became—effective allies, discuss ways to empower women and men, and provide an opportunity for community building and networking.

Program:

Introductory Remarks from Professor Martin Betts, Deputy Vice Chancellor
(Engagement)

Keynote Address by Professor Jennifer L Martin AC FAA FRACI CChem, Director, Griffith Institute for Drug Discovery (GRIDD)

Panel Discussion with:

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Associate Professor Adam Brumm, Australian Research Centre for Human Evolution, Griffith University

Sarah McCarthy, Workplace Education and Relationship Manager, Pride in Diversity

David Gunsberg, Director Planning and Engagement & Chair of Griffith's Ally Network

Moderated by Associate Professor Tanya Smith, Appointed Representative of the National Tertiary Education Union to the Griffith University Equity Committee

When: 14 May 2018 2pm until 4pm, followed by an informal reception

Where: N68 EcoCentre Conference Room

Please register at <https://www.griffith.edu.au/griffith-sciences/research/allies-research-life>

(Please note that this event will not be recorded or video conferenced)