

Building leadership in public management and policy



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Managing in Statutory Offices



ANZSOG Executive Workshop

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Message from the Dean

Thank you for considering ANZSOG's Executive Workshop as part of your professional development.

Participating in an ANZSOG initiative is about meeting the educational requirements of future public sector leaders. Each workshop is tailored to the specific needs of our Government partners. By taking part, participants are introduced to a range of valuable knowledge and skills sets, analytical thinking, and decision-making that aim to strengthen their ability in their role and in turn the community.

Of the many special features of the School, I am proud of the life-long learning experience participants gain to help drive change — that in turn brings about better policy implementation and service delivery.

I invite you to take a closer look at ANZSOG by taking part in our executive workshops where we strive to bring out the best, in the best.

Allan Fels, AO

ANZSOG Executive Workshop Managing in Statutory Offices

Who should attend?

The course is ideally suited for statutory officers who have not previously worked in senior roles inside government, and for middle to senior managers in statutory offices who need to think strategically and manage relationships with Ministers and departments.

The program

This pilot program is an exciting new ANZSOG initiative for holders of statutory offices in Victoria and their senior staff. The program recognises that while statutory offices are established in a wide variety of forms with varying degrees of separateness from government, they share a need to operate within a public sector framework as well as a distinct set of management and governance challenges.

The program will use a mix of engaging case studies and vignettes, group exercises and interaction with leading current practitioners to explore the key issues involved in balancing interconnectedness and independence with Ministers and departments. Designed after close consultation with a range of statutory officers and purpose-built to help explore common dilemmas, the program is designed to provide frameworks, skills and knowledge to help participants negotiate the practical challenges they face daily.

Participant benefits

At the end of the program participants will be better equipped to:

- understand the theoretical underpinnings of statutory offices
- identify and appreciate the heterogeneity of statutory offices and from this analyse the characteristics of their own office or entity
- recognise the implications of degrees of independence in terms of management, external relationships and governance
- apply strategic thinking processes appropriate to the public sector
- appreciate the interconnectedness of their office with government and the broader policy, program and budget development processes
- develop strategies for their office to maximise their influence with government including effective interactions with the media.

Learning approach

Excellence in teaching and learning is central to ANZSOG's mission. ANZSOG's executive workshops provide a stimulating and intellectually rigorous learning experience. The course includes a mix of case studies and vignettes, and group exercises. ANZSOG senior faculty and leading current practitioners will deliver special presentations and participants will engage with them in interactive discussion.

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Julian Gardner

Julian Gardner has worked as a statutory office holder in the public sector for 27 years. For all but two of those years he was a CEO with responsibility for managing statutory organisations at both the State and Commonwealth levels. His current role as a consultant includes advising statutory officer holders.

After some seven years in private legal practice, he was involved in establishing Australia's first community legal centre, the Fitzroy Legal Service, and later worked as its legal head. His subsequent appointments cover leadership of organisations including the Victorian Legal Aid Commission, the Victorian Mental Health Review Board, the Victorian WorkCare Appeals Board and the Commonwealth Social Security Appeals Tribunal. He was the Public Advocate of Victoria from 2000 to 2007.

Julian is now a consultant and in that capacity has conducted an independent review for the Victorian Attorney General of the Equal Opportunity Act. He subsequently chaired an Expert Advisory Group and a Community Consultation Panel concerning the Government's review of the Victorian Mental Health Act. Julian is a Director on the Board of Alfred Health and Deputy Chair of an independent committee providing advice to the Secretary, DHS on compliance with Child Protection Practice Standards. He co-presents the IPAA short course on *How Government Works*.

Other presenters include:

The Hon Rob Knowles - former Minister for Health, Housing and Aged Care

Claire Noone - Executive Director of Consumer Affairs, Victorian Department of Justice

Laurie Harkin - Disability Services Commissioner, Victoria

Kate Auty - Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability, Victoria

Peter Thompson - ANZSOG Fellow and ABC Presenter

Monica Pfeffer - Director of Applied Learning, ANZSOG

Workshop fees

\$A2,000 including GST

Fees include all meals during the course and all materials.

ANZSOG Alumni receive a 15% discount.*

*Alumni discounts do not apply to subsidised places.

How to register

Online

Search 'ANZSOG - Managing in Statutory Offices'.

Email

Complete and email the registration form to: executive.education@anzsog.edu.au

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Complete and fax the registration form to: +61 3 9650 8785

Indicate your preferred payment method.

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About ANZSOG

ANZSOG, the Australia and New Zealand School of Government, is a consortium of governments, universities and business schools dedicated to delivering tailored programs that meet the real world challenges of public sector managers.

With its unique structure, ANZSOG's programs are drawn from its networks of inter-government jurisdictions and its access to leading international academics and practitioners. The programs feature a dynamic mix of innovative, world-class professional development, education and training in the craft of public administration, policy and management.

ANZSOG has three flagship programs: Executive Programs and Workshops, the Case Program and the Research Program.

ANZSOG's Executive Programs and Workshops offer a post-graduate qualification and a range of executive courses that aim to strengthen the leadership and management capability of future public sector leaders.

- Executive Master of Public Administration is a two-year part-time graduate program for middle management sponsored by the participants' department. The program is taught by leading academics and practitioners from Australia and New Zealand; past presenters have included Prime Ministers, Premiers and chief executives of government departments.
- Towards Strategic Leadership is a unique program that blends personal leadership development with public sector focussed content. This two-week residential program is presented by a range of local and international presenters and is aimed towards people who are moving from tactical into strategic leadership roles in government, i.e. people facing senior executive responsibilities for the first time.

- Executive Fellows Program is a three week residential program tailored at the executive level and is also sponsored by the participants' respective departments. ANZSOG sources world experts to develop the strategic leadership and managerial skills of senior public sector executives.
- The Executive Workshops are conducted throughout the year and offer middle-to-senior managers customised courses that meet specific educational needs identified by ANZSOG government partners.

The Case Program is responsible for producing original case studies based on real public sector situations that are used for teaching purposes in the School's executive programs. The case library offers over 100 quality, topical cases in public sector management development. They focus on current events and issues in Australia, New Zealand, Commonwealth Nations, the Pacific and South Eastern Asia.

The Research Program aims to develop innovative, cutting-edge research into public administration, policy and management. The program's distinctive approach favours networked, collaborative research that delivers practical solutions and outcomes for governments whilst offering a number of research activities such as public lectures, conferences and publications.

Along with ANZSOG's programs, the School holds a number of collaborative initiatives with its partners and key national and international networks that provide a platform for policy development, research and analysis.

For further information about the School's programs, activities and forthcoming initiatives please visit our website www.anzsog.edu.au

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