

CURRICULUM VITAE

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QUALIFICATIONS

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics, thesis entitled *Ageing in Australia: Financial Independence and Work Disincentive Issues*, awarded in June 2005, Murdoch University

Bachelor of Economics with 1st Class Honours, awarded in January 2001, Murdoch University

APPOINTMENTS

Substantive

Professor and Deputy Director, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Aug 2015 –)

Associate Professor and Deputy Director, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Aug 2015 –)

Principal Research Fellow, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (July 2014 – July 2015)

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Dec 2012 – June 2014)

Deputy Director, Centre for Research in Applied Economics, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Oct 2009 – June 2014)

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Mar 2012 – Nov 2012)

Acting Head, Department of Economics, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Nov 2011 – Feb 2012)

Acting Director, Centre for Research in Applied Economics, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (July 2010 – Nov 2010)

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (Jan 2009 – Oct 2011)

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Centre for Research in Applied Economics, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (July 2007 – Jan 2009)

Research Officer, Housing and Urban Research Institute of Western Australia, Murdoch Business School, Murdoch University (July 2004 – July 2007)

Adjunct or Associate

Associate Investigator, Australian Research Council (ARC) Centre of Excellence in Population Ageing Research, University of New South Wales, Australian National University and University of Sydney (Feb 2015 –)

Adjunct Associate Professor, School of Global, Urban and Social Studies, RMIT University (Oct 2013 –)

RESEARCH AWARDS & PRIZES

Individual

- Prize for highest research performance index points in Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2013)
- Prize for highest research performance index points for publications in Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2013)
- Researcher of the Year Award, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2012) for 'outstanding competitive grant income', 'excellent examples of community impact', 'strong publications in leading journals in the discipline' and 'contributor to government commissions and panels'
- Prize for highest research performance index points for publications in Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2010)
- Prize for early career researcher highest research performance index points in Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2009)
- New Researcher of the Year Award, Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2009) for 'high quality publications and noteworthy public profile' and 'significant contribution to research culture in the school, university and the profession'.
- Prize for early career researcher highest research performance index points in Curtin Business School, Curtin University (2008)

Organisational

- Ashley Goldsworthy Award for Sustained Collaboration between Business and Tertiary Education, by the Business/Higher Education Round Table (B/HERT) (2016)

RESEARCH INCOME (2013 – 2017)

Australian Nationally Competitive Research Grants

- April 2016 *Pathways to Housing Tax Reform*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with R Eccleston, K Atalay, A Duncan, S Eslake, K Flanagan, H Hodgson, K Jacobs, John Minas, J Verdouw, N Warren, S Whelan, M Yanotti, J Yates
- April 2015 *Inquiry into Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and Economic Growth*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with S Whelan, M Cigdem, K Atalay, J Dodson, G Wood, G Meen, M Dockery, T Dalton, J Yates, A Duncan, M Harris, N Gurrán, S Rowley, Ashton de Silva, Grace Gao, S Parkinson, Sarah Sinclair
- May 2014 *Australian Demographic Trends and their Implications for Housing Subsidies*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with M Cigdem and G Wood
- April 2014 *Subsidising the Supply of Affordable Rental Housing: An International Comparison*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with S Rowley, N Gurrán, P Phibbs, A Jones, C Gilbert, C Whitehead and V Been
- Mar 2014 *Making Connections: Housing, Productivity and Economic Development*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with D Maclennan and G Wood
- June 2013 *Housing Affordability Dynamics in Australia: New Insights from the Last Decade*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, with G Wood and M Cigdem

International Peer Reviewed Grants

- Mar 2014 *The Edges of Home Ownership*, Urban Studies Foundation Seminar Series Competition, with M Haffner, SJ Smith and G Wood

Industry / Other Public Sector Funding

- June 2017 *Assessment of the Impact of Energy Efficiency Standards in the Victorian Private Rental Market*, Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, with M Fotheringham, G Wood and M Cigdem-Bayram
- Feb 2015 *Intergenerational Wealth Transfers, Health and Wellbeing Outcomes*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre Research Grant Scheme, with G Kendall
- July 2013 *Addressing Skills Shortages: The Influence of Taxes, Benefits and Other Policy Settings*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre Research Grant Scheme, with G Wood and M Cigdem

AUTHORED SOFTWARE

AHURI-3M: I am a co-designer of Australia's first and only dynamic housing market microsimulation model, in conjunction with Professor Gavin Wood (RMIT University). The model is uniquely configured to predict housing and budgetary outcomes under alternative policy scenarios. It's chief innovation is the integration of an extensive range of taxes and transfers that affect home owners, property investors and renters into a series of inter-connected tenure choice, rental investment and public housing modules that allow for the modelling of policy changes over a timespan of more than ten years using the Household, Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia (HILDA) Survey (see Wood and Ong 2008).

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

1. Austen, S, Sharp, R, Jefferson, T and Ong, R (2017), Missing mature age women in Australia's aged care sector, in Burke, R.J. and Calvano, L.M. (2017), *The Sandwich Generation: Caring for Oneself and Others at Home and at Work*, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham, pp. 218-241.
2. Ong, R (2016), Financing aged care: the role of housing wealth and intergenerational relationships, in Kendig, H., McDonald, P. and Piggott, J. (eds), *Population Ageing and Australia's Future*, Canberra: ANU Press, pp. 281-302.
3. Jefferson, T, Austen, S, Sharp, R, Ong, R, Adams, V. and Lewin, G (2016), A mixed methods approach to investigating the employment decisions of aged care workers in Australia', in Lee, F.S., Cronin, B. (eds), *Handbook of Research Methods and Applications in Heterodox Economics*, Edward Elgar, pp. 445-465.
4. Wood, G and Ong, R (2012), Local government property taxes, in Smith, SJ, Elsinga, M., O'Mahony, L.F., Ong, S.E., Wachter, S., Wood, G (eds), *The International Encyclopedia of Housing and Home*, Vol. 4, Elsevier, Oxford, p174-179.
5. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2011), The long-run decline in employment participation for Australian public housing tenants: An investigation, in Marsh, A. and Gibbs, K. (2011) (eds), *Housing Economics, Volume 5: Government, Policy And Contemporary Developments*, Sage Publications, UK.
6. Wood, G Ong, R and Stewart, M (2010), Housing taxes and the supply of private rental housing, in Stewart, M (eds.) (2010), *Housing and Tax Policy*, Melbourne: Australian Tax Research Foundation, 163-180.

Refereed Journal Articles

7. Jefferson, T, Austen, S, Ong, R, Haffner, M E. A. and Wood, G (2017 February, published online), Housing equity withdrawal: perceptions of obstacles among Australian home owners and service providers, *Journal of Social Policy*, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/S0047279417000058>.
8. Wood, G and Ong, R (2017), The Australian housing system: a quiet revolution?, *Australian Economic Review*, 50(2), 197-204.

9. Smith, SJ, Cidgem, M., Ong, R and Wood, G (2017), Wellbeing at the edges of ownership, *Environment and Planning A*, 49(5), 1080-1098.
10. Haffner, ME.A., Ong, R, Smith, SJ and Wood, GA (2017), The edges of home ownership - the borders of sustainability, *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 17(2), 169-176.
11. Wood, G, Smith, SJ, Cigdem, M and Ong, R (2017), Life on the edge: a perspective on precarious home ownership in Australia and the UK, *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 17(2), 201-226.
12. McGann, M, Ong, R, Bowman, D, Duncan, A., Kimberley, H and Biggs, S (2016), Gendered ageism in Australia: changing perceptions of age discrimination among older men and women, *Economic Papers*, 35(4), December, 375-388.
13. Wood, G, Ong, R and Cigdem, M (2016), Housing tax reform: Is there a way forward?, *Economic Papers*, 35(4), December, 332-346.
14. Austen, S, Jefferson, T, Lewin, G, Ong, R and Sharp, R (2016), Work ability, age and intention to leave aged care work, *Australasian Journal on Ageing*, 35(1), March, 18-22.
15. Austen, S, Jefferson, T, Sharp, R, Ong, R and Lewin, G (2016), Recognition: applications in aged care work, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, 40, 1037-1054.
16. Austen, S, Jefferson, T, Lewin, G, Ong, R and Sharp, R (2015), Care roles and employment decision-making: the effect of economic circumstance, *Journal of Industrial Relations*, November, 57(5), 665-685.
17. Ong, R, Wood, G and Colic-Peisker, V (2015), Housing older Australians: Loss of homeownership and pathways into housing assistance, *Urban Studies*, 52(16), 2979-3000.
18. Ong, R, Wood, G, Austen, S, Jefferson, T and Haffner, M (2015), Housing equity withdrawal in Australia: prevalence, patterns and motivations in mid-to-late life, *Housing Studies*, 30(7), 1158-1181.
19. Rowley, S, Ong, R and Haffner, M (2015), Bridging the gap between housing stress and financial stress: the case of Australia, *Housing Studies*, 30(3), 473-490.
20. Haffner, M, Ong, R and Wood, G (2015), Mortgage equity withdrawal and institutional settings: An exploratory analysis of six countries, *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 15(3), 235-259.
21. Colic-Peisker, V, Ong, R and Wood, G (2015), Asset poverty, precarious housing and ontological security in older age: an Australian case study, *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 15(2), 167-186.
22. Austen, S, Bawa, S., Ong, R and Jefferson, T (2015), Exploring recent increases in the gender wealth gap among Australia's single households, *The Economic and Labour Relations Review*, 26(1), 3-28.
23. Austen, S, Jefferson, T and Ong, R (2014), The gender gap in financial security: what we know and don't know about Australian households', *Feminist Economics*, 20(3), 25-52.
24. Jefferson, T, Austen, S, Sharp, R, Ong, R Lewin, G and Adams, V. (2014), Mixed-methods research: What's in it for economists, *The Economic and Labour Relations Review*, 25(2), 290-305.
25. Austen, S and Ong, R (2013), The effects of ill-health and informal care on the employment retention of mid-life women: Does the workplace matter?, *Journal of Industrial Relations*, 55(5), November, 663-680.
26. Wood, G and Ong, R (2013), When and why do landlords retain property investments?, *Urban Studies*, 50(16), 3243-3261.
27. Ong, R, Parkinson, S., Searle, B.S., Smith, SJ and Wood, G (2013), Channels from housing wealth to consumption, *Housing Studies*, 28(7), 1012-1036.
28. Austen, S, McMurray, C., Lewin, G and Ong, R (2013), Retaining workers in an ageing population: insights from a representative aged and community care organisation, *Australasian Journal on Ageing*, 32(1), March, 41-46.
29. Wood, G, Ong, R and McMurray, C. (2012), Housing tenure, energy consumption and the split-incentive issue in Australia, *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 12(4), 439-469.

30. Ong, R and Shah, S. (2012), Job security satisfaction in Australia: effects of migrant status and gender, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, 15(2), 123-139.
31. Wood, G, Ong, R and Winter, I (2012), Stamp duties, land tax and housing affordability: The case for reform, *Australian Tax Forum*, 27(2), 331-349.
32. Feeny, S, Ong, R, Spong, H and Wood, G (2012), The impact of housing assistance on the employment outcomes of labour market programme participants, *Urban Studies*, 49(4), March, 821-844.
33. Dockery, AM, Ong, R and Wood, G (2011), Measuring work disincentives: taxes, benefits and the transition into employment, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, 14(3), 265-288.
34. Wood, G and Ong, R (2011), Factors shaping the dynamics of housing affordability in Australia 2001-2006, *Housing Studies, Special Issue: Affordable Housing and Housing Affordability*, 26:7-8, 1105-1127.
35. Ong, R (2010), House price appreciation in old age: Analysis and issues for the use of reverse mortgages as a retirement funding strategy in Australia, *Journal of Population Ageing*, 3(3-4), 139-160.
36. Dockery, M., Seymour, R and Ong, R (2010), Life on the minimum wage: An empirical investigation, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, 13(1), 1-26.
37. Austen, S and Ong, R (2010), The employment transitions of mid-life women: Health and care effects, *Ageing and Society*, 30(2), 207-227.
38. Ong, R (2009), Self-provision in retirement: quantitative evidence on older Australians' expectations and experiences, *Australasian Journal on Ageing*, 28(1), 22-27.
39. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2009), The long-run decline in employment participation for Australian public housing tenants: An investigation, *Housing Studies, Special Issue: Economic Methods and their Contribution to Housing*, 24(1), January, 103-126.
40. Hendershott, P.H., Ong, R, Wood, G and Flatau, P (2009), Marital history and home ownership: Evidence from Australia, *Journal of Housing Economics*, 18(1), 13-24.
41. Dockery, AM, Flatau, P, Ong, R and Wood, G (2008), An analysis of the impact of tax and welfare reform measures on effective marginal tax rates in Australia 1982-2002, *Australian Journal of Labour Economics*, 11(3), 203-226.
42. Ong, R (2008), Unlocking housing equity through reverse mortgages: The case of elderly homeowners in Australia, *European Journal of Housing Policy*, 8(1), 61-79.
43. Dalton, T and Ong, R (2007), Welfare to work in Australia: Disability income support, housing affordability and employment incentives, *European Journal of Housing Policy*, 7(3), 275-297.
44. Wood, G, Watson, R., Flatau, P and Ong, R (2006), Transaction costs, deposit requirements and first-home ownership, *Economic Papers*, 25(3), 252-271.
45. Dalton, T and Ong, R (2005), Precarious employment in the urban context: the case of public housing, *Just Policy*, 37, 42-49.

Refereed Conference Proceedings

46. Rowley, S, Ong, R and Markkanen, S. (2013) (eds), *7th Australasian Housing Researchers' Conference: Refereed Proceedings*, ISBN: 978-0-646-90922-6.
47. Ong, R and Wood, R. (2013), *The Housing Pathways of Older Marginal Homeowners in Australia*, Asia-Pacific Network for Housing Research (APNHR) Conference, Kuala Lumpur, 20-22 August.
48. Wood, G and Ong, R (2013), *Sustaining Home Ownership in Australia: Emerging Policy Concerns*, Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Adelaide, 6-8 February 2012.
49. Rowley, S, Ong, R and Mahendran, A (2011), *Increasing the Social Housing Stock: What are the Implications for Key Services Supporting Social Housing Tenants*, Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Auckland, 17-19 November 2010.
50. Rowley, S, Ong, R and McMurray, C. (2011), *Do Traditional Measures of Housing Stress Accurately Reflect Household Financial Wellbeing*, Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Auckland, 17-19 November 2010.

51. Dockery, AM, Kendall, G, Li, J, Mahendran, A and Ong, R (2011), *Housing and Child Development: Key Dimensions, Knowledge Gaps and Issues for Future Research in Australia*, Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Auckland, 17-19 November 2010.
52. Wood, G, Ong, R and McMurray, C. (2011), *Housing Tenure, Energy Expenditure and the Principal-Agent Problem in Australia*, 17th Pacific Rim Real Estate Society Conference, Gold Coast, 16-19 January.
53. Austen, S, Jefferson, T and Ong, R (2010), *Gender Comparisons of Asset and Debt Portfolios in Australia*, 39th Australian Conference of Economists, Sydney, 27-29 September.
54. Austen, S and Ong, R (2009), *Employment Retention and Re-Entry among Older Women: Do Health and Caring Roles Matter?*, 38th Australian Conference of Economists, Adelaide, 28-30 September.
55. Wood, G and Ong, R (2009), *Housing Affordability Dynamics in Australia 2001-06*, HILDA Survey Conference, Melbourne, 16-17 July.
56. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2008), *A Quasi-experimental Approach to the Analysis of the Employment Outcomes of Public Housing Tenants*, 2nd Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Brisbane, 20-22 June (2007)
57. Wood, G, Ong, R, Dockery, AM and Whelan, S (2007), *Welfare Locks, Housing Stability and Tenant Exits from Public Housing*, State of Australian Cities Conference, Adelaide, 28-30 November.
58. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2007), *Transitions into Public Housing and Employment Outcomes: A Panel Analysis*, 36th Australian Economist Conference, Hobart, 24-26 September.
59. Dockery, AM, Ong, R and Wood, G (2007), *Welfare Traps in Australia: Do they Bite?*, HILDA Survey Conference, Melbourne, 19-20 July.
60. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2006), *What has Determined Longer-Run Trends In Public Renters' Employment Participation 1982-2002?*, 35th Australian Conference of Economists, Perth, 25-27 September.
61. Dockery, AM, Flatau, P, Ong, R and Wood, G (2006), *Welfare Reform, Housing Assistance and Effective Marginal Tax Rates*, 35th Australian Conference of Economists, Perth, 25-27 September.
62. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2006), *What has Determined Longer-Run Trends in Public Renters' Employment Participation 1982-2002?*, 1st Australasian Housing Researchers Conference, Adelaide, 19-21 June.
63. Wood, G and Ong, R (2006), *Housing Assistance and Economic Participation: What have we Learnt?*, National Housing Conference, Perth, 26-28 October (2005).
64. Dalton, T and Ong, R (2006), *Housing and the Disability Support Pension*, National Housing Conference, Perth, 26-28 October (2005).

Research Reports to the Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute

(Peer-Reviewed and Recognised as Journal by the ERA)

65. Wood, G, Cigdem-Bayram, M and Ong, R (2017) *Australian Demographic Trends and Implications for Housing Assistance Programs*, Final Report No. 286, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
66. Ong, R, Wood, G, Whelan, S, Cigdem, M, Atalay, K, and Dodson, J (2017) *Inquiry into Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and Economic Growth*, Final Report No. 285, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
67. Ong, R, Dalton, T, Gurran, N, Phelps, C, Rowley, S and Wood, G (2017) *Housing Supply Responsiveness in Australia: Distribution, Drivers and Institutional Settings*, Final Report No. 281, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited, Melbourne.
68. Cigdem-Bayram, M, Ong, R and Wood, G (2017), *A New Look at the Channels from Housing to Employment Decisions*, Inquiry into Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and

- Economic Growth, Final Report No. 275, March, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
69. Rowley, S, James, A, Gilbert, C., Gurrán, N, Ong, R, Phibbs, P., Rosen, D. and Whitehead, C. (2016), *Subsidised Affordable Rental Housing: Lessons from Australia and Overseas*, Final Report No. 267, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 70. Maclennan, D, Wood, G and Ong, R (2015), *Making Connections: Housing, Productivity and Economic Development*, Final Report No. 251, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 71. Wood, G, Ong, R and Cigdem, M (2015), *Factors Shaping the Dynamics of Housing Affordability in Australia 2001-11*, Final Report No. 244, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 72. Wood, G, Ong, R and Cigdem, M (2014), *Housing Affordability Dynamics: New Insights from the Last Decade*, Final Report No. 233, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 73. Parkinson, S., Ong, R, Cigdem, M and Taylor, E. (2014), *Wellbeing Outcomes of Lower Income Renters: A Multilevel Analysis of Area Effects*, Final Report No. 226, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 74. Ong, R, Jefferson, T, Wood, G, Haffner, M and Austen, S (2013), *Housing Equity Withdrawal: Uses, Risks, and Barriers to Alternative Mechanisms in Later Life*, Final Report No. 217, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 75. Wood, G, Smith, SJ, Ong, R and Cigdem, M (2013), *The Edges of Home Ownership*, Final Report No. 216, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 76. Parkinson, S., Cigdem, M, Ong, R and Taylor, E. (2013), *Wellbeing Outcomes of Lower Income Renters: A Multi-Level Analysis of Area Effects*, Positioning Paper No. 154, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 77. Ong, R, Haffner, M, Wood, G, Jefferson, T and Austen, S (2013), *Assets, Debt and the Drawdown of Housing Equity by an Ageing Population*, Positioning Paper No. 153, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 78. Dockery, AM, Ong, R, Colquhoun, S., Li, J and Kendall, G (2013), *Housing and Children's Development and Wellbeing: Evidence from Australian Data*, Final Report No.201, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 79. Rowley, S and Ong, R (2012), *Housing Affordability, Housing Stress and Household Wellbeing in Australia*, Final Report No. 192, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 80. Wood, G and Ong, R (2012), *Sustaining Home Ownership in the 21st Century: Emerging Policy Concerns*, Final Report No. 187, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 81. Wood, G, Ong, R, Cigdem, M and Taylor, E. (2012), *The Spatial and Distributional Impacts of the Henry Review Recommendations on Stamp Duty and Land Tax*, Final Report No. 182, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 82. Wood, G, Ong, R and McMurray, C. (2011), *The Impacts of the Henry Review Recommendations on the Private Rental Market: Savings Income Discount and Rent Assistance*, Final Report No. 175, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 83. Wood, G, Colic-Peisker, V, Berry, M and Ong, R (2010), *Asset-Poverty and Older Australians' Transitions onto Housing Assistance Programs*, Final Report No. 156, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 84. Gabriel, M, Watson, P., Ong, R, Wood, G and Wulff, M (2010), *The Environmental Sustainability of Australia's Private Rental Housing Stock*, Final Report No. 159, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
 85. Wood, G, Colic-Peisker, V, Ong, R, Bailey, N and Berry, M (2010), *Housing Needs of Asset-Poor Older Australians: Other Countries' Policy Initiatives and their Implications for Australia*, Positioning Paper No. 133, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.

86. Dockery, AM, Kendall, G, Li, J, Mahendran, A, Ong, R and Strazdins, L (2010), *Housing and Children's Development and Wellbeing: A Scoping Study*, Final Report No. 149, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
87. Wood, G and Ong, R (2010), *Factors Shaping the Decision to Become A Landlord and Retain Rental Investments*, Final Report No. 142, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
88. Gabriel, M, Watson, P., Ong, R, Wood, G and Wulff, M (2010), *The Environmental Sustainability of Australia's Private Rental Housing Stock*, Positioning Paper No. 125, Australian Housing And Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
89. Wood, G and Ong, R (2009), *The Dynamics of Housing Affordability: Movements In and Out of Housing Affordability Stress 2001-2006*, Final Report No. 133, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.

Research Reports – Commissioned by Government or Industry

90. Rowley, S and Ong, R (2011), *Development of an Affordable Housing Demand Model for Western Australia*, Final Report to the Western Australia Department of Housing, July, Perth: Curtin University.
91. Rowley, S and Ong, R (2011), *Development of an Affordable Housing Demand Model for Western Australia*, Report No. 2, Report to the Western Australia Department of Housing, March, Perth: Curtin University.
92. Rowley, S and Ong, R (2010), *Development of an Affordable Housing Demand Model for Western Australia*, Report No. 1, Report to the Western Australia Department of Housing, August, Perth: Curtin University.
93. Colic-Peisker, V, Ong, R and McMurray, C. (2010), *Commonwealth Rent Assistance 1995-2009: Lagging Behind Rising Housing Costs*. Report to the Tenants Union of Victoria, March, Melbourne: RMIT University.
94. Greive, S., Ong, R and McKenzie, F. (2010), *Identification and Evaluation of Options for Specialist Disability Housing for Clients with a Range of Needs and Disabilities*, Report for National Disability Services WA, February, Perth: Curtin University.
95. Wood, G, Stewart, M and Ong, R (2010), *Housing Taxation and Transfers*, Final Report, Research Study for the Review of Australia's Future Tax System.
96. Rowley, S and Ong, R (2009), *The Effect of Rising Unemployment on Housing Market Dynamics and the Importance of Social Services in Increasing Expanding the Social Housing Stock and Facilitating Tenants' Movement through the Housing Continuum*, Report for the Western Australian Council of Social Service, Perth: Curtin University.
97. Whelan, S and Ong, R (2008), *Econometric Modelling of Housing Assistance and Labour Market Participation*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 6, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
98. Dockery, AM, Ong, R, Whelan, S and Wood, G (2008), *The Relationship between Public Housing Wait Lists, Public Housing Tenure and Labour Market Outcomes*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 9, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
99. Feeny, S, Ong, R, Spong, H and Wood, G (2008), *The Impact of Housing Assistance on the Employment and Wage Outcomes of Labour Market Program Participants*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 8, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
100. Wood, G and Ong, R (2008), *Redesigning AHURI's Australian Housing Market Microsimulation Model*, Report, November, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
101. Wood, G, Ong, R and Harman, F. (2008), *Modelling of Initiatives to Improve the Supply of Affordable Housing Using the AHURI-3M Model*, Report, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.

102. Dockery, AM, Feeny, S, Hulse, K., Ong, R, Saugeres, L., Spong, H, Whelan, S and Wood, G (2008), *Housing Assistance and Economic Participation*, National Research Venture 1 Final Research Paper, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
103. Ong, R, Colic-Peisker, V and Wood, G (2008), *Commonwealth Rent Assistance in the Context of Rising Housing Costs since 1995*. Report to the Tenants Union of Victoria. May, Melbourne: RMIT University.
104. Wood, G, Ong, R and Dockery, AM (2007), *What Has Determined Longer Run Trends in Public Housing Tenants' Employment Participation 1982-2002?*, National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 5, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
105. Wood, G and Ong, R (2005), *Housing Assistance and Economic Participation*, National Research Venture 1 Stage 1 Report, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
106. Kelly, S., Ong, R and Wood, G (2005), *A Detailed Profiling of Housing Assistance Recipients Relative to Benchmark Groups in the Australian Population*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 4, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
107. Spong, H and Ong, R (2005), *An Audit of Alternative Panel Data Sets Suitable for the Analysis of Housing Assistance and Economic Participation Outcomes*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 3, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
108. Dalton, T and Ong, R (2005), *An Audit of Australian and Overseas Policy Initiatives that are Designed to Promote Both Housing Policy and Economic Participation Goals*. National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 2, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.
109. Wood, G, Ong, R, Dockery, AM and Flatau, P (2005), *Housing Assistance Programmes and Their Contribution to Poverty and Unemployment Traps*, National Research Venture 1 Research Paper 1, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne.

Research Reports - Other

110. Bond-Smith S, Duncan A, Kiely D, Leong K, Nguyen, H, and Ong R (2017), *The Engine Room for Growth? The Role, Performance and Future Prospects of Small Business in Western Australia*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Focus on Western Australia Report Series, No. 9, May.
111. Cassells, R, Duncan, A. and Ong, R (2017), *Gender Equity Insights 2017: Inside Australia's Gender Pay Gap*, BCEC|WGEA Gender Equity Series, Issue #2, March.
112. Duncan, A., Gao, G., Nguyen, H, Ong, R and Tarverdi, Y (2016), *Back to the Future: Western Australia's Economic Future After the Boom*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Focus on Western Australia Series, Issue #8, October.
113. Duncan, A., James, A, Leong, K., Ong, R and Rowley, S (2016), *Keeping a Roof Over Our Heads: BCEC Housing Affordability Report 2016*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Focus on Western Australia series, Issue #7, June.
114. Cassells, R, Duncan, A. and Ong, R (2016), *Gender Equity Insights 2016: Inside Australia's Gender Pay Gap*, BCEC|WGEA Gender Equity Series, Issue #1, March.
115. Dockery, AM, Duncan, A., Nguyen, H and Ong, R (2015), *Securing Our Future: Meeting the Challenges of WA's Ageing Population*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Focus on Western Australia series, Issue #6, November 2015.
116. Cassells, R, Duncan, A., Kelly, S. and Ong, R (2015), *Beyond Our Means? Household Savings and Debt in Australia*, Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Focus on Australia Series, Issue #2, June 2015.

Inquiry Submissions

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119. James, A., Rowley, S., Cassells, R., Duncan, A. and Ong, R. (2015), *Submission to the Standing Committee on Economics Home Ownership Inquiry*, AHURI-Curtin Research Centre and Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, June.
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121. Austen, S., Jefferson, T., Lewin, G., Ong, R., Sharp, R. and Adams, V. (2012), *Submission to the Australian Law Reform Commission Inquiry into Commonwealth Legal Barriers to Older Persons Participating in the Workforce or other Productive Work*, November.

THE CONVERSATION ARTICLES

- 'Australians are working longer so they can pay off their mortgage debt', an article by Rachel Ong, Gavin Wood, Kadir Atalay and Melek Cigdem-Bayram, 29 June 2017. Republished by Domain, ABC Online.
- 'Women rely on the family home to support them in old age', an article by Rachel Ong and Siobhan Austen, 29 May 2017. Republished by Domain, WA Today.
- 'Get used to your commute: data confirms houses near jobs are too expensive', an article by Rachel Ong, Christopher Phelps, Gavin Wood and Steven Rowley. Republished by Domain and SBS.
- 'Budget needs a sharper policy scalpel to help first home buyers', an article by Rachel Ong, 11 May 2017. Republished by Fairfax Media.
- 'Budget needs a sharper policy scalpel to help first home buyers', an article by Rachel Ong, 11 May 2017. Republished by Fairfax Media.
- 'Governments are trapped in a vicious cycle of housing policies and prices', an article by Rachel Ong, 4 April 2017. Republished by ABC Online, Domain and Fairfax Media.
- 'Not everyone wins from the bank of mum and dad', an article by Rachel Ong, Gavin Wood and Melek Cigdem-Bayram, 15 March 2017. Republished by ABC Online, Domain and Fairfax Media.
- 'Western Australia's economic future remains uncertain after the mining boom: study', an article by Alan Duncan, Rachel Ong and Yashar Tarverdi, 20 October 2016.
- 'Can the private rental sector provide a secure, affordable housing solution?', an article by Gavin Wood and Rachel Ong, *The Conversation*, 19 October 2016.
- 'Let's talk about the family home ... and the pension means test', an article by Rachel Ong and Gavin Wood, *The Conversation*, 25 July 2016.
- 'What's the key to home ownership for Gen Y?', an article by Steven Rowley, Amity James and Rachel Ong, *The Conversation*, 23 June 2016. Republished by Domain and SBS.
- 'Lack of housing choice frustrates would-be downsizers', an article by Rachel Ong, Alan Duncan and Steven Rowley, *The Conversation*, 7 June 2016. Republished by Domain and SBS.
- 'Turnbull should help the states switch stamp duty for land tax', an article by Rachel Ong and Gavin Wood, *The Conversation*, 20 April 2016.
- 'Female senior managers paid \$100,000 less than their male counterparts: study', an article by Rebecca Cassells, Alan Duncan and Rachel Ong, *The Conversation*, 3 March 2016.
- 'It will take more than piecemeal reforms to convince older Australians to downsize', an article by Rachel Ong and Alan Duncan, *The Conversation*, 1 December 2015.
- 'Australians less like to survive home ownership than Britons', an article by Gavin Wood, Melek Cigdem-Bayram, Rachel Ong, Susan Smith, *The Conversation*, 3 August 2015.

- 'The real reasons negative gearing on housing should be phased out', an article by Gavin Wood and Rachel Ong, *The Conversation*, 23 June 2015.
- 'The facts on Australian housing affordability', an article by Gavin Wood and Rachel Ong, *The Conversation*, 12 June 2015.
- 'The other gender equality gap Australia needs to talk about', an article by Siobhan Austen, Rachel Ong, Sherry Bawa and Therese Jefferson, *The Conversation*, 17 November 2014.
- 'Your home as an 'ATM': home equity a risky welfare tool', an article by Rachel Ong and Gavin Wood, *The Conversation*, 5 February 2014.

SPEAKER INVITATIONS (2013 – 2017)

Speaker Invitations to National & International Academic Forums

- Affordability and Liveability in Our Cities Conference – *How can Housing Policies Unlock Economic Growth in Our Cities?*, Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, Melbourne, 29 June 2017.
- National Press Club Address *Women in Economics – 2017 Federal Budget Reflections*, with Miranda Stewart and Danielle Wood, 16 May 2017.
- Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia (ASSA) Symposium on 'Population Ageing and Australia's Future', Canberra, 11 Nov 2014 – invited presentation on *Housing, Care and Intergenerational Relationships*
- University of Tasmania Housing and Community Research Unit Seminar, Hobart, 24 July 2014 – invited presentation on *Mortgage Equity Withdrawal in Australia: Recent Trends and Institutional Settings*
- National Housing Conference, Adelaide, 1 Nov 2013 – convenor and sole presenter at the *Housing Economics 101 Workshop*. This workshop was designed to give policy and industry attendees 'insights into how economists think and help them understand key terms and concepts in housing economics'. It was attended by around 30 delegates from government, industry and not-for-profit sectors.
- National Housing Conference, Adelaide, 31 Oct 2013 – invited expert panel member
- RMIT University Centre for Urban Research Seminar, Melbourne, 23 April 2013 – invited presentation on *Trends and Challenges in the Homeownership Sector in an Era of Socioeconomic Change*

Invitations to National Policy Roundtables

- Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia / Committee for Sustainable Retirement Incomes Roundtable on 'Sustainable Retirement Incomes Policy', Canberra, 6-7 April 2016
- Productivity Commission Roundtable on 'Housing Decisions of Older Persons', Sydney, 25 Sept 2015
- Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia Policy Roundtable on 'Enhancing Active Ageing', Canberra, 12 Nov 2014
- Institute of Advanced Studies Roundtable on 'Health, Wealth and Hearth: Perspective on an Ageing Australia' Roundtable, University of Western Australia, Perth, 13 Feb 2013

Invitations to Other Government & Industry Forums

- SevenWest Business Outlook Series 2016, Perth, 19 October 2016 – invited presentation on *Housing Affordability in WA*
- Local Government Managers Association WA Network Age Friendly Communities Forum, Perth, 6 May 2016 – invited presentation on *Securing Our Future: Meeting the Challenges of WA's Ageing Population*

- Age Friendly Interagency Group (AFIG) First Meeting of 2016, 4 Feb 2016 – invited presentation on *Securing Our Future: Meeting the Challenges of WA's Ageing Population*
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Seminar on 'Ageing Well: Housing Solutions for Older Australians', Perth, 25 Nov 2014 (invited presenter and panel member)
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Seminar on 'Ageing Well: Housing Solutions for Older Australians', Hobart, 24 July 2014 (invited presenter and panel member)
- Australian Institute of Urban Studies WA / UWA / KGA Consulting and Council of the Ageing WA 'Reframing Ageing: A Mindset Shift – "Designing for an Ageing Population' Forum, Perth, 10 April 2014 – invited presentation on *When it Comes to Downsizing: What are the Costs and Impediments for Seniors Wishing to Downsize?*

National Policy and Industry Panels

- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Final Inquiry Panel into *Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and Economic Growth*, 21 July 2016
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute 2nd Industry Panel into *The Drivers of Housing Supply Responsiveness in Australia*, 20 June 2016
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Interim Inquiry Panel into *Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and Economic Growth*, 5 May 2016
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute 1st Industry Panel into *The Drivers of Housing Supply Responsiveness in Australia*, 10 Feb 2016
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute First Inquiry Panel into *Housing Policies, Labour Force Participation and Economic Growth*, 23 Nov 2015

EXPERT PANELS & ADVISORY ROLES (CURRENT)

- Member of the Economic Society of Australia's National Economic Panel, June 2015 –
- Member of the Steering Committee for the Asia Pacific Network for Housing Research (APNHR), Oct 2012 –

RESEARCH AND STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- Deputy Director of Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre (BCEC) (August 2015 –)
- Deputy Director of the Centre for Research in Applied Economics (CRAE) (2009 – 2014)
- Acting CRAE Director (June – Dec 2010)
- Acting Head of Department of Economics (Nov 2011 – Feb 2012)

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

- Co-supervisor, PhD, Christopher Phelps, *Within-City Housing Price Dynamics and the Gentrification of Australian Neighbourhoods*, Curtin University (2015 –)
- Co-supervisor, PhD, Antonia Cornwell, *Barriers to Lower Carbon Dioxide Emissions from Household Energy Consumption in Australia*, Curtin University (2013 –)
- Supervisor, Honours, Nebojsa Franich, *NDIS Policy Evaluation*, Curtin University (2014)
- Supervisor, Master of Applied Economics, Melissa Piscetek, *The Economics of Sustainable Affordability in WA*, Curtin University (2012 – 2013)
- Supervisor, Honours, Keet Khoo Leung, *The Impact of Speculative Behaviour in Property Markets: An Investigation of Price Bubbles across Australian Capital Cities from 1980 to 2011*, Curtin University (2012)
- Supervisor, Honours, Shrina Shah, *A Comparison of the Job Satisfaction Levels of Immigrant and Australian Born Workers: Evidence from the HILDA Survey*, Curtin University (2009)

TEACHING DUTIES

School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University

- 2014 Economic Policy 302
A 3rd year undergraduate unit focusing on the application of economic theory to policy issues
- 2012 Public Economics 512
Application of intermediate economic principles to postgraduate study of the role of government in the economy
- 2012 Public Economics 312
Application of intermediate economic principles to undergraduate study of the role of government in the economy
- 2011 – 2012 Microeconomics 300
A 3rd year undergraduate unit with a strong focus on the mathematical structure of microeconomics. For students who have completed an intermediate microeconomics unit, to a more advanced treatment of issues.
- 2011 Property Principles 200 (statistics and housing economics modules)
Introduction to the statistical requirements and economic theoretical underlying property analysis
- 2010 Property Economics 550
Focuses on the application of economic principles to property analysis. Lecturer for half of the unit.
- 2010 Property Economics 200
Focuses on the application of economic principles to property analysis. Lecturer for half of the unit.
- 2008 – 2010 Microeconomics 200 / Economics (Markets) 203
Intermediate microeconomics unit for 2nd year undergraduates.
- 2008 – 2010 Microeconomics 500 / Economics (Markets) 503
Intermediate microeconomics unit for postgraduates.

Guest Lectures by Invitation

- 2015, 24 Sept *Housing Affordability in Australia: Policy Issues (& their Underlying Economic Rationale)*
Explains the economic framework underlying housing policy analysis to 3rd year students in Economic Policy Issues 302 unit, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University
- 2015, 1 June *An Introductory Guide to STATA*
Introductory workshop for Curtin Business Schools' Higher Degree Research students, covering basic functions in Stata that enables navigation, data management, tables and graphs generation, regression analysis, transfers to and from SPSS, Curtin University
- 2014, 18 Aug *Housing Affordability in Australia: Policy Issues (& their Underlying Economic Rationale)*
Explains the economic framework underlying housing policy analysis to 3rd year students in Economic Policy Issues 302 unit, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University
- 2011, 26 Aug *Housing Affordability in Australia: Policy Issues (& their Underlying Economic Rationale)*

- Explains the economic framework underlying housing policy analysis to 3rd year students in Economic Policy Issues 302 unit, School of Economics and Finance Curtin University
- 2011, 19 May *Housing Tax and Transfer Policy*,
Overview of housing tax and transfer policies in Australia and their economic rationale to 2nd undergraduate and postgraduate students in Property Economics 200 / 550 unit, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University
- 2010, 11 Aug *The Demand and Supply Dynamics of Housing Affordability in Australia*
Explains housing affordability economic principles to 5th year students from the Architecture, Landscape and Visual Arts Faculty of University of Western Australia (UWA) who are enrolled in UWA's Affordable Housing Studio as part of the UWA-Landcorp partnership under the WA State government's Built-form, Infrastructure and Landscape Design Innovation Program (BILD)
- 2010, 10 Aug *Economic Theories in Real Estate*
Introductory approach to property studies from an economic viewpoint for Property Principles 200 unit, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University
- 2010, 4 May *Affordable Housing Policies in Australia*
Explains the economics behind Australian affordable housing policies to 3rd year students in Economic Policy Issues 302 unit, School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University

UNIT COORDINATION

School of Economics and Finance, Curtin University

2014, Sem 1	Economic Policy 302
2013, Sem 2	Quantitative Techniques in Business 203
2012, Sem 2	Public Economics 512
2012, Sem 2	Public Economics 312
2012, Sem 2	Microeconomics 300
2012, Sem 1	Microeconomics 300 (offshore)
2011, Sem 1	Microeconomics 300
2009, Sem 2	Economics (Markets) 203
2009, Sem 1	Economics (Markets) 503

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS OR SOCIETIES

2012 – Present	Member, European Network for Housing Research (ENHR)
2011 – Present	Member, Asia-Pacific Network for Housing Research (APNHR)
2011 – 2013	Member, Australasian Housing Institute
2005 – 2013, 2017 –	Member, Economic Society of Australia