Communication and Digital Media Showcase

Time		
6.00pm	Guest Arrival / Networking Opportunity + Light Refreshments	
6.15pm	Welcome	
		Professor Derek Carson Executive Dean Faculty of Society & Design
		Dr Marilyn Mitchell Discipline Lead (Communication, Public Relations, Journalism, and Multimedia) Assistant Professor (Communication) Faculty of Society & Design
	Master of Ceremonies	
		Dr James Birt Associate Dean (External Engagement) Associate Professor (Digital Media) Faculty of Society & Design
6.30pm	Welcome our Alumni Panel	
	Soleil Ritchie Bond Alumna	Social Responsibility Coordinator Princess Polly – Retail Group
	Kimberley Bernard Bond Alumna	News Reporter & Journalist Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)
	Matias Salinas Bond Alumnus	Head of Marketing & Partnerships Little Phil – Social Impact Platform
	Sean Tobin Bond Alumnus	Senior Public Relations Director Co-Founder & Director Exclusive Insight Director Gary Ablett Jnr Charity Foundation
	Panel Discussion and Q&A	
7.05pm	Networking Opportunity + Light Refreshments + View Student Work	
8.30pm	Event Concludes	





Welcome our Alumni Panel



Sean Tobin

Senior Public Relations Director Co-Founder & Director | Exclusive Insight Director | Gary Ablett Jnr Charity Foundation

Specialisation: Public Relations & Social Media Bachelor of Communication (Business) Bond University Alumnus 2012







Sean Tobin is a senior public relations director with an eye for targeted media strategy, social media, and sport. Sean knows what it takes to have your business seen, heard, and remembered for all the right reasons. Sean is the director of Exclusive Insight, an Australian media and events network, which he co-founded alongside AFL champion Gary Ablett Jnr. Exclusive Insight has collaborated with over 300 of Australia's most prominent sportspeople. Sean is also a director of The Gary Ablett Foundation, an ACNC-registered charity, funding international aid projects for children around the world. The foundation works closely with leading international aid partners including World Vision Australia. Sean majored in Public Relations and Marketing and forged a business relationship with Gary Ablett while working as the Media Relations & Communications Coordinator at the Gold Coast Suns AFL Club.



Matias Salinas

Head of Marketing & Partnerships Little Phil | Social Impact Platform Specialisation: Digital Media, Advertising & Marketing Bachelor of Interactive Media & Design Bond University Alumnus 2014



Brand builder, passionate problem solver and tech-savvy marketer. After a successful digital marketing and e-commerce career in Melbourne, Matias returned to the Gold Coast as the Head of Marketing & Partnerships for the software company and social enterprise, Little Phil. The all-in-one social impact platform for donors, non-profits, companies, brands and beyond. In his role, Matias talks with industry leaders in the social impact space, collaborates with purpose led organisations and not-for-profits, works on new and exciting product features & updates (most recent was a new app for Shopify!) or produces content for marketing (think blogs, podcasts, videos, social media, emails etc.).



Kimberley Bernard

News Reporter/Journalist Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)

Specialisation: Journalism & Creative Writing Bachelor of Communication Bond University Alumna 2020

WABC

Kimberley Bernard is a multi-platform news reporter from the Gold Coast, with special interests in social issues and the environment. She came to the ABC in 2020, after leaving her long-term finance career. Kimberley also enjoys travel, lifestyle, and documentary storytelling. Her passions lie in being the voice for those who need a communicator, for those who are seeking information, and for those looking to be inspired. Stories help us understand each other and the world, connect us, and inspire change. During her time at Bond University, Kimberley was Valedictorian, a New Colombo Plan Scholar, and recipient of the John Hardy Achievement Medal; an award which recognises the student with the highest academic achievement in the Faculty of Society & Design. Kim says she would "love to come back to Bond to do a masters or PhD. I know I am not done with academia just yet, there's still something in me that is hungry to learn more."



Soleil Ritchie

Social Responsibility Coordinator Princess Polly

Specialisation: Public Relations, Advertising & Corporate Communication Bachelor of Communication Bond University Alumna 2019

PRINCESS POLLY

Soleil Ritchie's industry experience spans from interning at Ruby Communications to becoming a PR Account Executive for Wings Public Relations. Over the last two years, Soleil has worked in sustainability and was promoted to Social Responsibility Coordinator at Princess Polly - One of Australia's most successful online fashion boutiques. In her role, Soleil assisted in writing policies and guidelines, including Princess Polly's first ever Modern Slavery Report. Her scope of work is focused on ethical sourcing through reviewing and onboarding new suppliers and factories to providing educational resources and channels to factory workers. Soleil also supports the Sustainably Made range through managing certification compliance to ensure materials and products are accurately certified.