



Government Policy Architecture and Funding: Effects on the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities

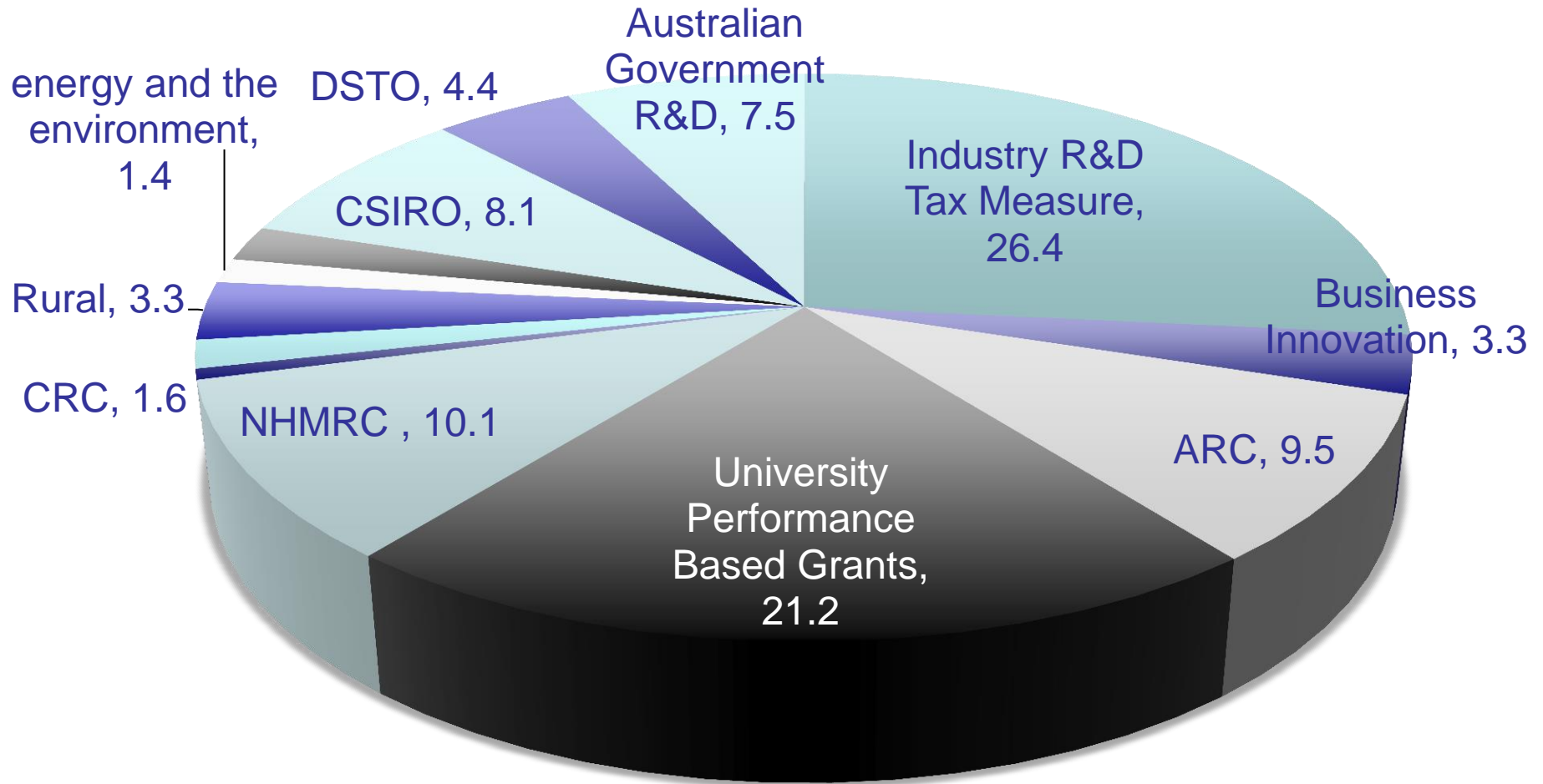
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- Research Funding Overview
- Consequences-unintended or not for HASS
- Impacts on teaching and disciplines
- Some suggestions for future policy or advocacy

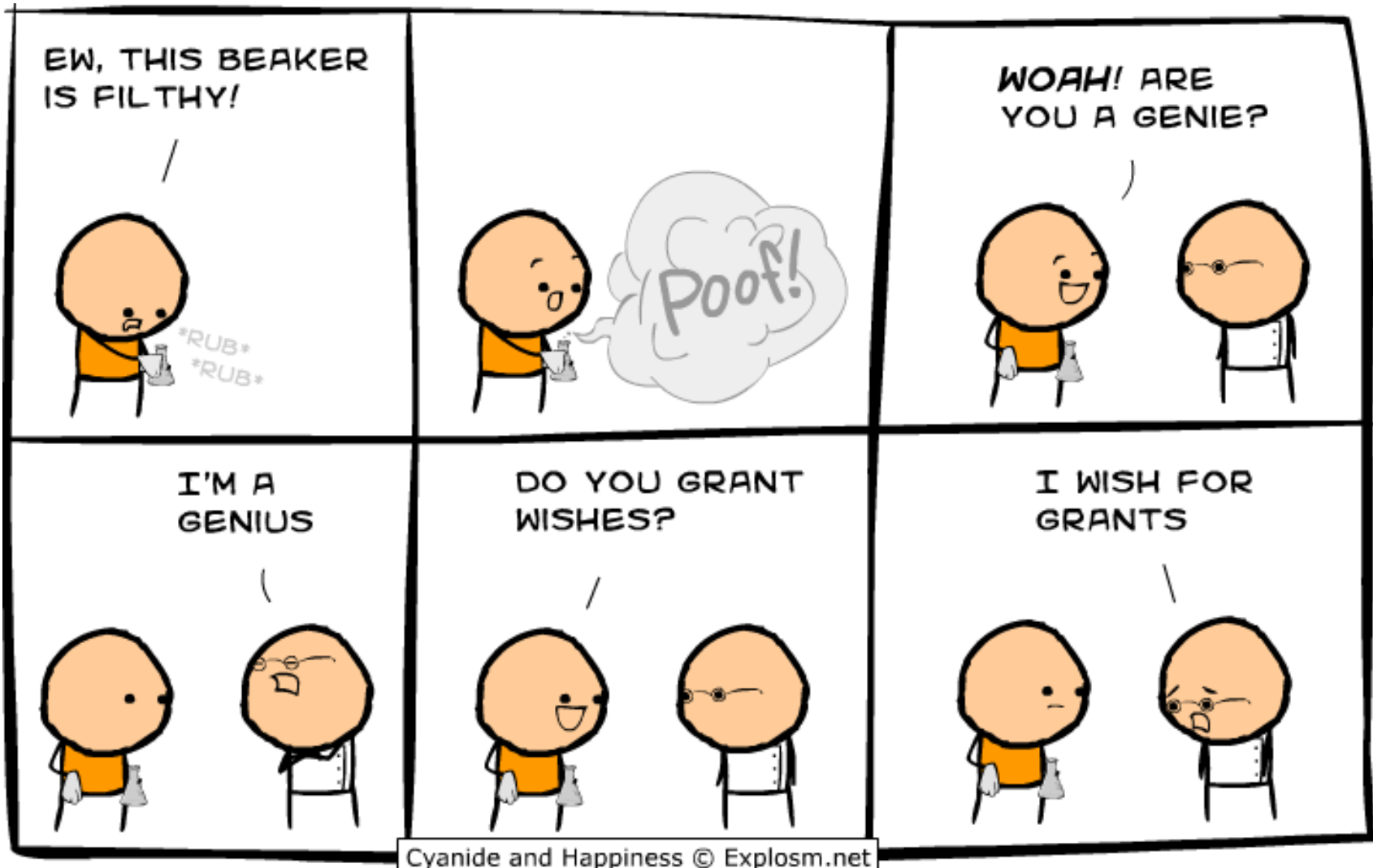


Budget Estimate Government Investment in R&D 2014-2015



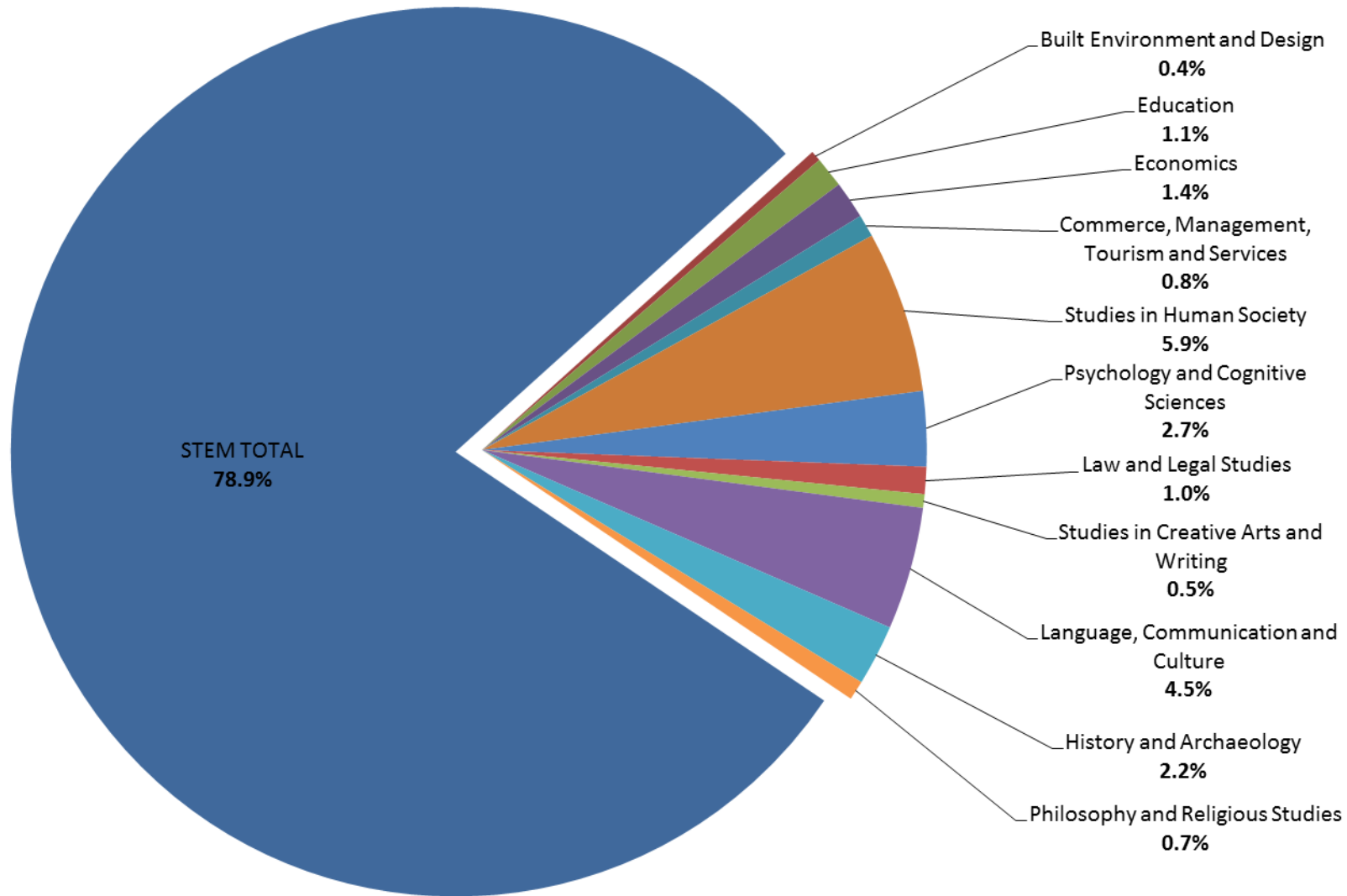


Pressure to achieve external income.....





ARC Funding by FOR at 2-digit level: Funding commencement 2014



2014

- ARC CoE for Children and Families over the Life Course
- ARC CoE for the Dynamics of Language

2011

- ARC CoE for the History of Emotions
- ARC CoE in Cognition and its Disorders
- ARC CoE in Population Ageing Research

2007

- ARC CoE in Policing and Security

2005

- ARC CoE for Creative Industries and Innovation

2001

- ARC Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics (ARC Special Research Centre)



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Link grants to innovation: Libs

GRANTS to research issues such as the history of emotions in Europe from 1100-1800 **should instead be spent on projects supporting productivity and innovation**, the opposition said yesterday.

"Under this government we have seen grants thrown at all sorts of questionable projects, when money could be better spent."

The Coalition has **identified several recent grants awarded** by the research council **it views as wasteful**, including \$578,792 to **research the history of an ignored credit instrument in Florentine economic and social and religious life** from 1570-1790.

Also cited is a \$65,000 grant on a **study on who reads Thomas Keneally's work** and \$24.25 million for researchers in the Perth-based **ARC Centre of Excellence for the History of Emotions (Europe 1100-1800)**.

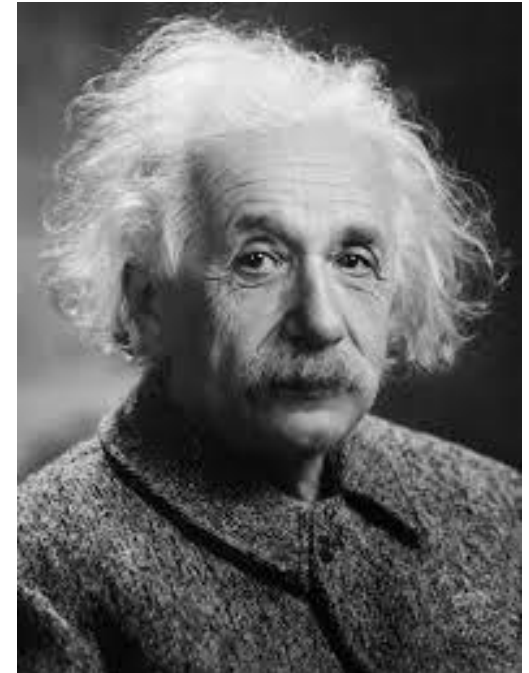
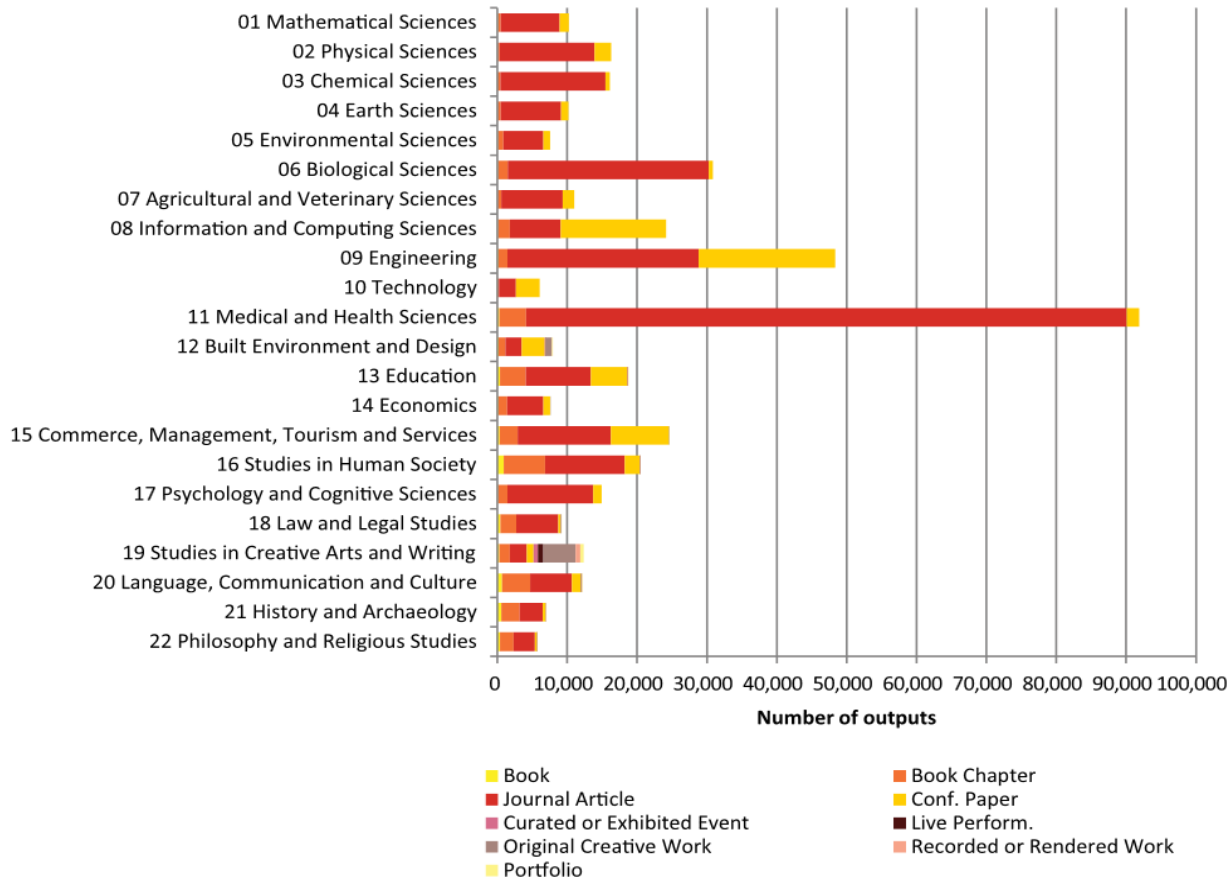
A study of **Charlotte Bronte and the Romantic imagination** cost \$70,000 and one on the **early history of the moon** cost \$210,000.



Scheme	Purpose?	Total \$M 2015	% Income	Other
RTS	Research Supervision	671	40%	Completions 50% Pubs 10%
APA/IPRS	RHD Stipends	298	40%	Completions 50% Pubs 10%
RIBG/SRE	Indirect Costs (Competitive Grants)	424	100%	SRE moderated by ERA & TC
JRE	Indirect Costs (Other, government industry, international)	356	60%	30% RHD 10% Pubs

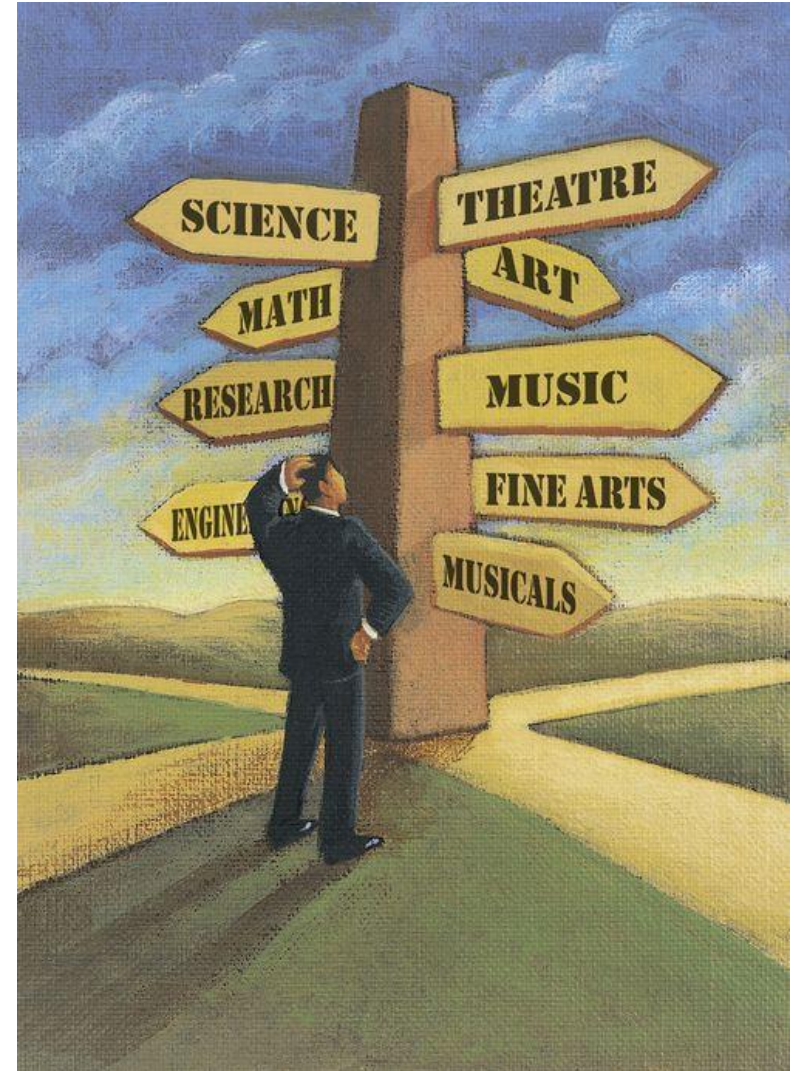


Its all relative.....





- Three of the four largest fields of education are in the HASS sector
- 65% of students in Australian universities are enrolled in a HASS degree
- 60% of the population aged 20-69 with a bachelor degree are HASS trained





- Allocating Indirect Costs directly to the grants activities they support (reduces indirect pressure on other areas)
- RTS & APA allocations based to excellent environments- ERA?
- Integration of career paths for PhDs and ECRs with teaching models
- Combine to enable better use of academic research time rather than seeking “buyouts” (teaching specialists and support, online resources, sharing curricula)



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