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COTA Over 50s' Emerging Researchers Awards 2008

Background:

Over 100 PhD students from all over Australia applied to attend the March 2008 University of Queensland Emerging Researchers in Ageing (ERA) Masterclass 2008. Thirty-eight enrolled. Thirteen of these PhD students submitted research paper proposals for the **COTA Over 50s' Emerging Researchers Awards** in the field of ageing. Six proposals were selected for further development into full research papers.

Refereeing process

The proposals and full papers reflect current state of the art of research in the field of ageing, and have been developed with the support of the University of Queensland, students' own doctoral supervisors and COTA Over 50s' policy research staff. They have been selected for their scholarly excellence and relevance to future research and COTA Over 50s' own policy work.

Award ceremony

On 28th March 2008, the Executive Director of COTA Queensland, Mr Mark Tucker-Evans participated in a Masterclass panel discussion and presented six certificates of recognition issued by COTA Over 50s at the ERA Masterclass 2008 Awards ceremony.