

THE FUTURE IS CO-OPERATIVE



**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN CO-OPERATIVE
MANAGEMENT AND ORGANISATION**

Education in Co-operative Organisation and Management at the University of Newcastle

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What we offer now



Postgraduate degrees – all online

Graduate certificate in co-operative management and organization – 4 courses - 3 coop courses and 1 elective

MBA with a co-op and social enterprises specialisation. 8 general management courses + 3 coop courses + 1 elective

This year economically viable : 21 students first trimester AND 8 local students

Short history of cooperation!



2014 – Morris arrives at UoN

2016 – Starting up – Masters /Grad Cert ?

2017 – Establish Industry Advisory Group

2017 - First cohort – IAG - saved by Rob Goudswaard 10 students from CUA

2018 – Second cohort – Saved by Farming Together – 44 students enrolled in two courses –Amazing experience

2019 – Third cohort - Standing on our own feet ! 21 students in first course 50% MBA students, 50% from industry, and 8 local students.



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What we see next



Undergraduate Course face to face course as part of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship bachelor. Big interest among younger people.

Maybe intensive micro-credit courses

ICA CCR Asia Pacific Conference

We have had interest from countries in the Asia Pacific and in Africa to support their coop education

Global ICA Conference in Rwanda.

Thank You !



We have been guided and helped by industry, Coop NSW and BCCM throughout.

The Industry advisory group

Thanks to many in the room (Melina, Richard, Sam, Robert, James Brown from Common Equity, Steve Anthony) and to all our students.

This has been an amazing journey for us at University of Newcastle

We are only part of the coop education puzzle

