

## We're Getting There - Continuously Improving a Team to "Get Stuff Done"

**Never Stand Still** 

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#### **UNSW** at a Glance

**STUDENTS** 

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54,043

39,651

**LOCAL STUDENTS** 

14,392

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

40,174

STUDENT LOAD (EFTSL)

19,777

COMMENCING STUDENTS

279,226

\$51.3m

ARC funding for 131 new projects – the highest in NSW 46

2015 QS World University Rankings Recognition

Researchers and teachers receive national and international awards Innovation

UNSW opens Michael Crouch Innovation Centre for students

4,263

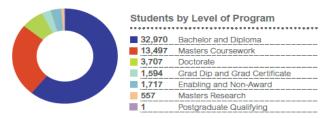
Higher degree research candidates

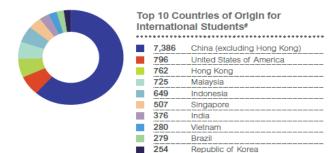
**Excellence** 

\$72m in NHMRC funding for projects to begin in 2016 Collaboration

Commonwealth Bank and Telstra each commit \$10 million to UNSW's quantum computing research **Industry** 

\$10.3m for 32 ARC Linkage Project grants, the highest number nationally





STAFF

6,228

TOTAL STAFF 5,695 full-time equivalent FEMALE 1,110 MALE 1,754

ACADEMIC STAFF

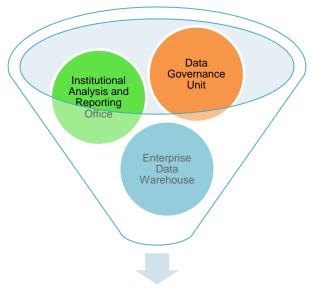
**FEMALE 2,152 MALE 1,212** 

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Source: UNSW Annual Report 2015

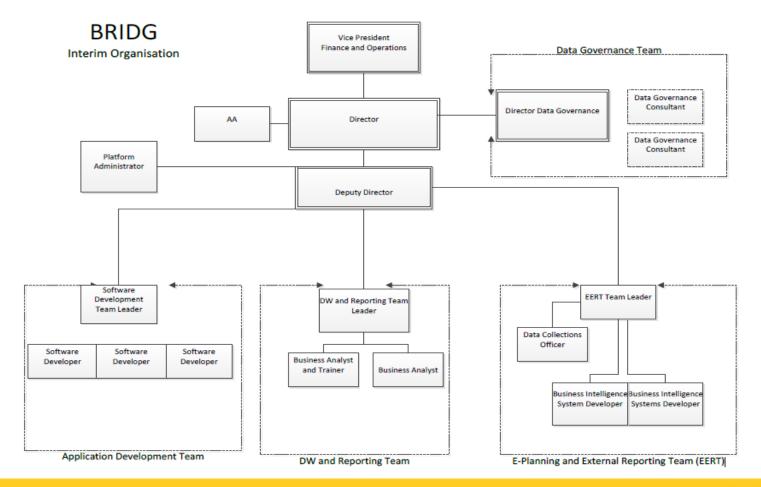


#### **How BRIDG Came About**



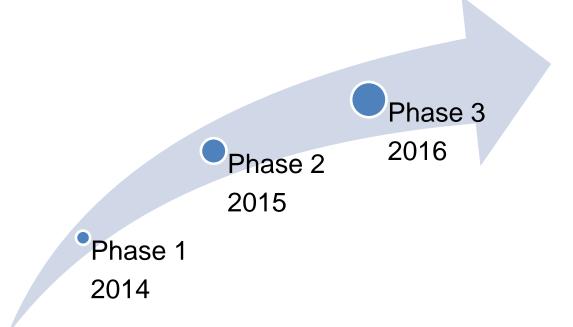
Business Reporting, Intelligence and Data Governance (BRIDG)





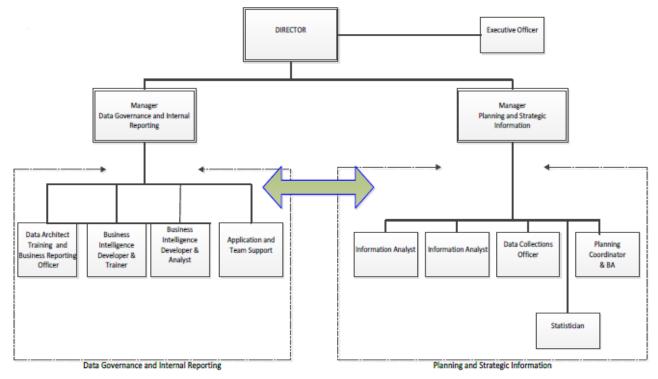


#### Our Change





#### Phase 1 – 2014 (The Beginning)





#### **BRIDG** Responsibilities

Statutory & Government Reporting

Student Load Planning

Student Surveys

Staff Surveys UNSW Data Warehouse Information and Data Governance



#### **Original Brief**

Implement Data Governance Implement the Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDW) Provision Strategic Data Analysis and Interpretation

Provision Support in Strategic Planning and Forecasting

Provide
Leadership on
Data Quality
Issues

Provide Reports Fit for Purpose and Reliable

Document Processes Manage Government Reporting Administer Surveys for Staff and Students



#### Phase 2 – 2015 (Stabilisation)

## Data Governance and Internal Reporting Team Focus Areas

Stabilising the Business Intelligence
Platform

Implementing Structured Processes

Recruiting a Whole New Team

Implementing a Proof of Concept Business Glossary

## Planning and Strategic Information Team Focus Areas

Streamlining Government Reporting

Develop Student Load Planning Tool



#### Stabilising the Business Intelligence Platform

- Needed to Address the following concerns:
  - Security
  - Reliability
  - Scalability
- Servers
  - Over 8 years old
  - Full restart over 500 days
- Migrated Warehouse to AWS



#### Implementing Structured Processes

Task Tacking

Was using Flyspray

**Using JIRA** 

Reporting on Tasks

**Documentation** 

Shared Drive vs Wiki

Using Confluence

Data and Access Requests

Using IT service Desk

Implemented Access Forms

Implemented Data Request Forms



#### Recruiting a Whole New BI Team

Team Size went from 4 down to 2

Hiring the right person for the job

No hiring people just to fill places

Scenario Testing 3 new people by Mid June



#### Implementing a Proof of Concept Business Glossary

Collibra Data Governance Centre Tool Working with areas that were willing to work

Student Administration Business Glossary

HR Business Glossary Student Load Planning Business Glossary



#### Streamlining Government Reporting

# Enhanced Government Reporting Process

- Approvals from Data Owner
- Summary Data Comparison
- Knowledge Sharing Initiatives



#### Developed a New Student Load Planning Tool

Agile vs Waterfall

Transparency

Scalable

Sustainable Foundation

2 Week Sprints

Deliver Best Value First

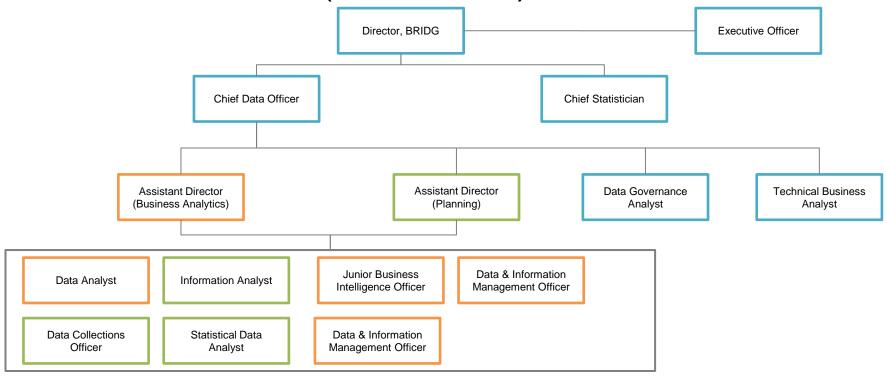


#### The Breakthrough for Phase 3

- Two teams function as separate departments
- Team members communicating via phone or email
- The breakthrough
  - ATAR entry requirements
  - Close Collaboration across teams for:
    - Rapid development
    - Rapid testing



#### Phase 3 – 2016 (One Team)





#### The Future

### Introducing Scrum

Daily 15 Minute Stand Ups

2 Week Sprints

More Structure and Time Boxing

Pipeline of Staff

Finding Good Staff Quickly

Clear Career Progression Workload Planning

Resource Allocation

Task Management New Technologies

Tableau

Hadoop



#### Thank you

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