

### **Curriculum Design: A University Perspective**

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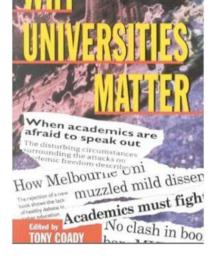


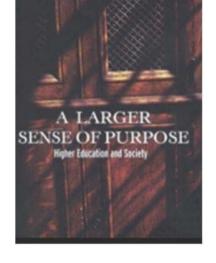
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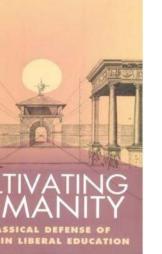


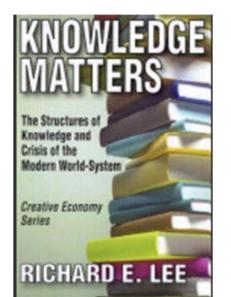


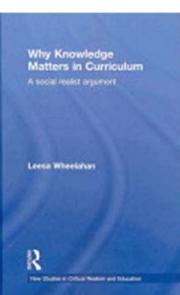


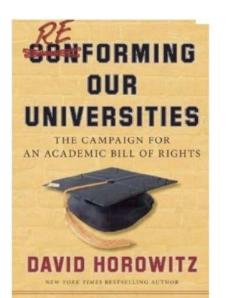
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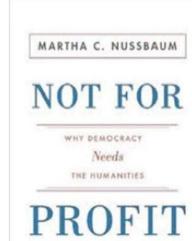
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#### Harried, underpaid staff plan to flee the sector

JULIE HARE. The Australian. September 21, 2011 12:00AM

TWO in five academics under the age of 30 plan to leave Australian higher education within the next five to 10 years because of high levels of dissatisfaction caused by lack of job security, poor pay and mountains of paperwork and red tape.

And for those aged between 30 and 40, the figure is one in three.

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# External Challenges

Boundaries between universities and vocational education providers have become blurred:

- Academic mobilities
- Student mobilities
- Institutional mobilities

Increased competition and 'the race to secure the pipeline'

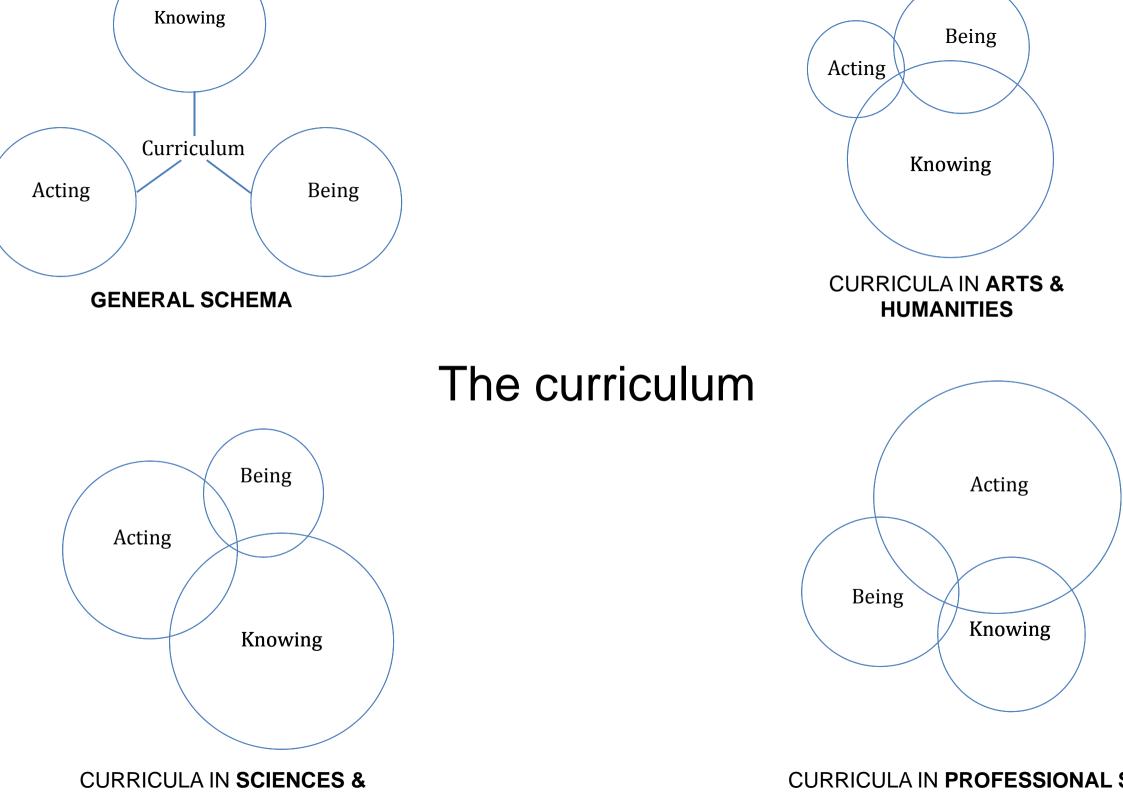
Market/student-driven system where 'consumer is king'

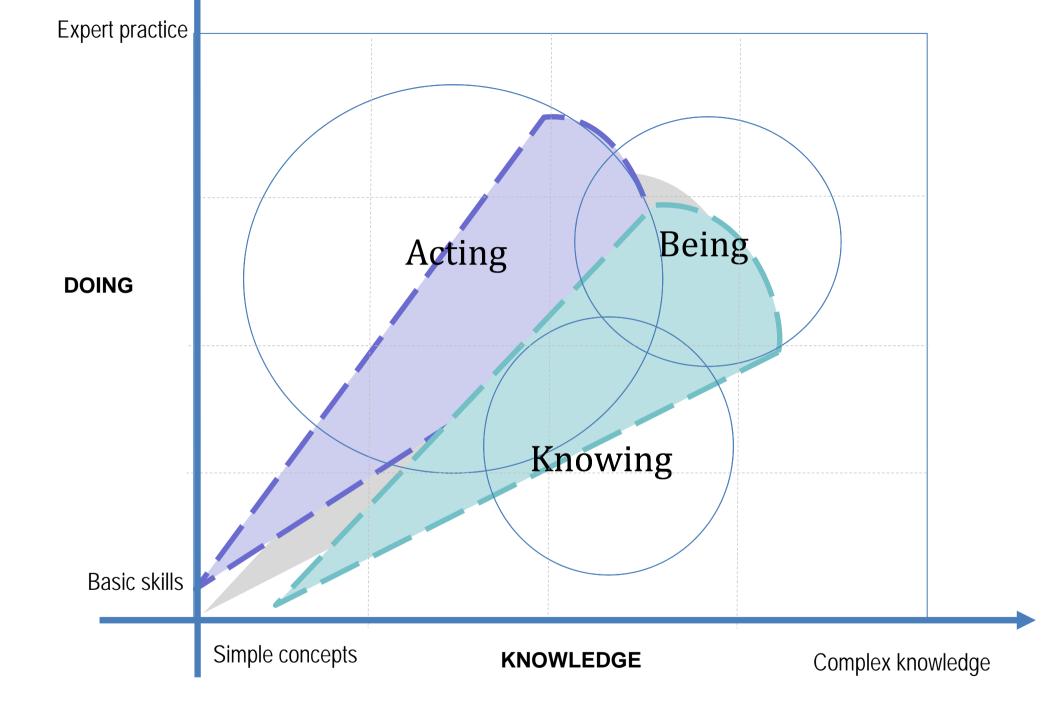
Academic workforce 'under the hammer'

Industry is 'doing it tough'

## Internal Influences

- Improving efficiencies: the industrialisation of teaching
- Quality assurance and standardisation
- Casualisation of staff with consequences for curriculum content, assessment, pedagogy, delivery, etc
- Tensions between a curriculum for industry or for broader societal goals
- Academic/institutional identity is confused





### Inputs for Curriculum Design

- Clarity of *purpose* of the offering (industry, public good)
- Clarity of values embedded within and threaded through
- Based on unique *academic assets* and strengths
- Clarity about the stakeholders and how much influence they should have
- Clarity of *student body* (characteristics, expectations, socioeconomic background, academic support required)
- Balance standardisation while allowing for the creative artistry of good teaching

# **Observations:** Content

- Sustainability
- Ethics and values
- Internationalization & cultural diversity
- Work integrated learning, service learning, problem based learning, reflexive practice learning
- Curriculum mapping subjects and programs
- Assessment development and alignment
- ICT environments and possibilities
- Creativity, inspirational teaching practice

# A final thought:

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