

# INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON LEADING CULTURALLY NOURISHING SCHOOLING

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 8:30am to 3.30pm**

## **Venue: Social Sciences and Education Buildings University of Sydney**

Sponsored By: University of Sydney: School of Education and Social Work, The University of Sydney  
Co-sponsored: Gonski Institute, University of New South Wales, Aboriginal Studies NSW

Aboriginal Voices Project Team: Dr Kevin Lowe; Dr Cathie Burgess; Dr Greg Vass

International Project Team: Professor Mere Berryman; Elizabeth Eley, Associate Director, Poutama Pounamu: Excellence, Equity and Belonging, University of Waikato.

Special Guests: Professor Adrian Piccoli, Director of the Gonski Institute for Education, UNSW; Professor Karen Trimmer, University of Southern Queensland, Professor Christopher Day, University of Nottingham and University of Sydney

*The purpose of this conference is to:*

- ⇒ *Critically engage with the efforts of schools to establish a coherent, whole-of-school program of culturally sustaining education to improve the educational outcomes of Aboriginal students.*
- ⇒ *Share professional experiences and insights to foster culturally nourishing schooling practices.*
- ⇒ *Establish collaborative research and learning partnerships between schools, universities and communities.*
- ⇒ *Forge international collaborations between like schools and communities as they develop socially and culturally just education for Indigenous students*

| Time  | Tuesday 15 October   | Time  | Wednesday 16 October  |
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| 8.00 am   | <b>Sign in</b>   | 8.30 am   | <b>Sign in</b>  |
| 8.30 am<br>Social Sciences Building Lecture Theatre | <b>Opening Ceremony: Social Sciences Building LT 258</b><br>Acknowledgment of Country – Tracey Cameron<br>Performance: Wandabaa Dance Group<br>Welcome to the University: Professor Deb Hayes Head of School Sydney School Education and Social Work<br><br>Response: New Zealand visitors<br><br><i>Chair Dr Cathie Burgess</i> | 9.00 am<br>Education Building Lecture Theatre 351 | <b>Opening Ceremony: Education Building LT 351</b><br>Acknowledgment of Country – Dr Lyn Riley<br><br><i>Chair Dr Kevin Lowe</i>          |
| 9:15 am   | <b>Keynote Social Sciences Building LT 258</b><br>Dr Cathie Burgess and Dr Kevin Lowe<br>Aboriginal Voices - Developing a research informed model of Indigenous Education<br><br><i>Chair Dr Greg Vass</i>   | 9:15am  | <b>Keynote Education Building LT 351</b><br>Professor Mere Berryman - Lifting the cloak of colonisation.<br><br><i>Chair Dr Greg Vass</i> |
| 10:00 am  | <b>Morning Tea</b>   | 10:00 am  | <b>Morning Tea</b>  |
| 10.30am   | <b>Presentations:</b><br><i>Education Building Room 612 (Bld A35)</i><br><br>1. Decolonising education leadership in Aotearoa /New Zealand   | 10.30am   | <b>Presentations:</b><br><i>Education Building Room 612</i>   |

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|                                | <p><i>Principal Daniel Murfitt</i></p> <p>2. Te Hokanga - The Journey<br/><i>Principal Chris Grinter</i></p> <p>3. Leading by listening: Learning from Country<br/><i>Dr Cathie Burgess University of Sydney and Dr Katrina Thorpe, University of Technology, Sydney</i></p> <p><i>Chair &amp; Discussant Professor Valerie Harwood</i></p> <p>Q &amp; A</p> |                                | <p>1. He waka eke noa – Accelerating Māori learner progress and achievement<br/><i>Principal Louise Anaru</i></p> <p>2. Place for ‘Culture’ in establishing a whole-school commitment to Indigenous education<br/><i>Dr Kevin Lowe and Dr Greg Vass, Griffith University</i></p> <p>3. Leadership in Australian Indigenous contexts<br/><i>Professor Karen Trimmer, University of Southern Queensland</i></p> <p><i>Chair &amp; Discussant Professor Sue Goodwin</i></p> <p>Q &amp; A</p> |
| 12:00pm                        | <p><b>Partner School Presentations</b></p> <p>1. Angela Byron Oak Flats High School</p> <p>2. Neal Reed Gilgandra High School</p> <p>3. Leisa Conroy Tweed River High School</p> <p>4. Di Fetherston Alexandria Park Community School</p> <p><i>Discussant Professor Deb Hayes</i></p>   | 12:00pm<br>Concurrent Sessions | <p><b>Round table discussions</b></p> <p>1. Leadership challenges in Indigenous education: Prof. Karen Trimmer - Facilitator</p> <p>2. Engaging families and communities: Louise Bye - Facilitator</p> <p>3. Teacher professional change: A/Prof Helen Proctor - Facilitator</p> <p><i>Chair Dr Rose Amazan</i></p>   |
| 1:00pm                         | Lunch  | 1:00pm                         | Lunch   |
| 1:40pm                         | <p><b>Guest speaker</b></p> <p>Prof. Adrian Piccoli – Politics and Aboriginal Education’</p> <p><i>Chair -Dr Kevin Lowe</i></p>  | 1:40pm                         | <p><b>Guest Speaker</b></p> <p>Emeritus Professor Christopher Day – What international research tells us about successful school leadership</p> <p><i>Chair – Dr Christine Grice</i></p>  |
| 2:10 pm<br>Concurrent Sessions | <p><b>Round table discussions</b></p> <p>1. Leadership challenges in Indigenous education: Prof. Karen Trimmer - Facilitator</p> <p>2. Engaging families and communities: Louise Bye - Facilitator</p> <p>3. Teacher professional change: A/Prof Helen Proctor - Facilitator</p> <p><i>Chair Dr Rose Amazan</i></p>  | 2:10 pm                        | <p><b>Plenary and Ways forward</b></p> <p>Panel: Dr. Kevin Lowe, Professor Karen Trimmer, Professor Mere Berryman, Angela Byron</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Researchers and schools working together – strategies and commitments</li> <li>• Forging International collaborations – where to from here</li> </ul> <p><i>Chair Dr Greg Vass</i></p>   |
| 2:55 pm                        | Afternoon Tea  | 2:55 pm                        | Afternoon Tea – FINISH  |
| 3.00 pm<br>Concurrent Sessions | <p><b>Round table discussions</b></p> <p>1. Leadership challenges in Indigenous education: Prof. Karen Trimmer - Facilitator</p> <p>2. Engaging families and communities: Louise Bye - Facilitator</p> <p>3. Teacher professional change: A/Prof Helen Proctor - Facilitator</p>   |                                | <p>Thank you for coming.</p>  |

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|        | <i>Chair Dr Rose Amazan</i>         |  |  |
| 3:45pm | <b>Wrap up</b>                      |  |  |
| 6.30pm | <b>Dinner:</b> Thai Pothong Newtown |  |  |