

In Progress

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SOWK28002 First Nations Knowledge and Social Work Practice with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

Term 2 - 2027

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General Information

Overview

This unit introduces you to the complexity, richness, diversity, and continuing development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' context and culture. You will learn how First Nations' perspectives deepen and enrich the lives of our nation and communities. You will be introduced to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ways of knowing and being, emphasising their profound connection with land and country and the storylines that flow from them. You will compare First Nations' views on time, identity, individuality, and collective responsibility and gain an appreciation for the resilience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. You will also explore the intergenerational impact of colonisation, dispossession and displacement and the forced separation of children from their families on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities. You will examine the role social workers played in these historical events and reflect on the implications for contemporary social work practice with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people today. In accordance with the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) Code of Ethics (2020), you will learn how to interact in a culturally safe and appropriate manner that decolonises practice for forging collaborative relationships and partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, countering ongoing discrimination and oppressive practices and fostering reconciliation.

Details

Career Level: *Postgraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 8*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 10

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

There are no requisites for this unit.

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 2 - 2027

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Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Information for Class and Assessment Overview has not been released yet.
This information will be available on Monday 17 May 2027

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Academic Progression Policy and Procedure
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Unit Learning Outcomes

Information for Unit Learning Outcomes has not been released yet.
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Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes

Information for Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes has not been released yet.
This information will be available on Monday 17 May 2027

Textbooks and Resources

Information for Textbooks and Resources has not been released yet.
This information will be available on Monday 21 June 2027

Academic Integrity Statement

Information for Academic Integrity Statement has not been released yet.
This unit profile has not yet been finalised.