Professional Staff Conference 2019

Will you take a proactive step towards reconciliation? Commit to reading a book, looking up an online resource or exploring the University’s Reconciliation Action Plan.

Read

*The Little Red Yellow Black Book*, Bruce Pascoe
A widely-used and accessible introduction to contemporary Indigenous Australia. It is read and used by tourists, schools, and used extensively across state and Federal departments, authorities and NGOs for Reconciliation Action Plans and cross-cultural training.

*Welcome to Country: A Travel Guide to Indigenous Australia*, Marcia Langton
A completely new and inclusive guidebook to Indigenous Australia and the Torres Strait Islands. A detailed introduction covers topics such as language, customs and history, followed by a directory of Indigenous tourist experiences across every state of Australia.

*Growing Up Aboriginal in Australia*, Anita Heiss
What is it like to grow up Aboriginal in Australia? This anthology showcases many diverse voices, experiences and stories in order to answer that question. All of the contributors speak from the heart, calling for empathy, challenging stereotypes, and demanding respect.

*The Biggest Estate on Earth: How Aborigines made Australia*, Bill Gamage
After a decade of research, Gamage explodes the myth that pre-settlement Australia was an untamed wilderness, revealing complex, country-wide systems of land management used by Aboriginal people. Gamage rewrites Australian history, with huge implications for us today.

*Dark Emu: Aboriginal Australia and the Birth of Agriculture*, Bruce Pascoe
Pascoe puts forward an argument for the reconsideration of the hunter-gatherer tag for pre-colonial Aboriginal Australia. This impeccably researched book uses evidence from the records and diaries of Australian explorers to challenge the convenient lies of colonialism.

*Talking To My Country*, Stan Grant
Direct, honest and forthright, this is a rare, special book that talks to every Australian about their country. Grant offers a personal and powerful response to racism in Australia and explores the sorrow, shame, anger and hardship of being an Indigenous man.

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Reconciliation
Learn more about the University’s reconciliation journey and the range of work being undertaken to support our vision for reconciliation. Engage with range of resources to enhance your knowledge about the contributions of our First Nations people. [https://about.unimelb.edu.au/reconciliation](https://about.unimelb.edu.au/reconciliation)

Deadly Questions
You Ask. Aboriginal Victorians Answer. This anonymous website allows you to ask any question you want to members of the oldest continuous culture on earth. So don’t be shy! What will you ask? [http://www.deadlyquestions.com.au/](http://www.deadlyquestions.com.au/)

Reconciliation Action Plan 2018 – 2022
Explore the University of Melbourne’s third RAP. Learn about the 14 Signature Projects we have committed to over the next 5 years that will be transformational in terms of their impact. See what part you can play in this ambitious journey. [http://www.unimelb.edu.au/reconciliation-action-plan](http://www.unimelb.edu.au/reconciliation-action-plan)
Watch
First Australians, SBS
First Australians chronicles the birth of contemporary Australia as never told before, from the perspective of its first people. Over 7 episodes, the series explores what unfolded when the oldest living culture in the world was confronted by the British Empire.  http://www.sbs.com.au/firstaustralians

National Indigenous Television (NITV), SBS
Explore documentaries, cartoons and movies from SBS’s NITV. With so much to choose from, you’re bound to find something of interest!  http://www.sbs.com.au/nitv

Attend
The Dungala Kaiela Oration
The Dungala Kaiela Oration is an annual event co-hosted by the Kaiela Institute and the University of Melbourne. The aim of the Oration is to celebrate Aboriginal cultural identity, create a shared vision for the people of the greater Goulburn Murray region, and build bridges to promote Aboriginal social and economic development. The 2019 Orator was Senator Pat Dodson.

The Narrm Oration, 28 November 2019
Delivered annually since 2009, the Narrm Oration is the University’s key address that profiles leading Indigenous peoples from across the world. In this United Nations declared International Year of Indigenous Languages, the 2019 Narrm Oration will be delivered by Dr Larry Kimura, Associate Professor of Hawaiian Language and Hawaiian studies at Ka Haka ‘Ula O Ke‘elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language, University of Hawai‘i. The 2019 Narrm Oration will be delivered on November 28th 2019.

Billibellary’s Walk
Experience the Parkville campus landscape as it was prior to colonisation. This walk provides an experience of connection to Country that Wurundjeri people continue to have, both physically and spiritually. Download the app and go for a walk!  https://murrupbarak.unimelb.edu.au/engage/billibellarys-walk

Wilin Jams
Wilin Jams is an open invitation for everyone to come together, jam and celebrate the pivotal contribution of Indigenous artists and community members. Featuring guest musicians and performers, jammers are invited to collaborate and perform whatever they wish.  https://finearts-music.unimelb.edu.au/whats-on/performances

Listen
The Policy Shop, “Fighting for Recognition”
In this episode of the Policy Shop, New Zealand Maori constitutional lawyer, Dr Moana Jackson and Dr Shireen Morris, a McKenzie Postdoctoral Fellow at the Melbourne Law School, consider questions about treaties versus constitutional recognition and ask how we might move beyond rhetoric on community engagement.  https://pursuit.unimelb.edu.au/podcasts/fighting-for-recognition

Awaye! Word Up
This podcast, produced by the ABC, shares the diverse languages of black Australia from Anmatyerre to Yorta Yorta – one word at a time. In each episode, an Indigenous Australian shares a word of significance to their people, as well as their hopes for the future of Indigenous languages in Australia.  https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/wordup/