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INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE: What is it? Who's got it? Who wants it?

Thursday 8 May 3.30–5.30pm

Seminar Room A, Ground Floor, Coombs Building,
Fellows Road, ANU

This forum is free and open to the public.

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Indigenous peoples present themselves as the custodians of 'Indigenous Knowledge' in many contexts, including:

- intellectual property disputes and the formation of new intellectual property regimes
- new policies for the management of libraries, archives and museums
- curriculum design and the recruitment and training of teachers
- the ethical regulation of research
- public health policies
- historiography
- conservation and heritage.

There are even debates about whether such a thing as Indigenous Knowledge exists. This forum will explore the potential relevance of Indigenous Knowledge, as currently framed, to research in the Social Sciences – in particular to Philosophy, Political Science, Economics, Sociology and History.



Speakers

George Mukuka is an historian from the Republic of South Africa and a Visiting Fellow in the Australian Centre for Indigenous History, Research School of Social Sciences, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences.

Martin Nakata is currently Chair of Australian Indigenous Education and Director of Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning, University of Technology Sydney. He is the author of *Disciplining the Savages – Saving the Disciplines* (Aboriginal Studies Press 2007).

Interviewer

Ann McGrath from the Australian Centre for Indigenous History, will interview the speakers.

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