

RESEARCH IN THE FACULTY OF LAW ON INDIGENOUS LEGAL ISSUES

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Louise Buckingham, PhD candidate	E: <a href="mailto:louise.buckingham@student.unsw.edu.au">louise.buckingham@student.unsw.edu.au</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governance institutions (international and domestic levels) pertaining to the protection of traditional knowledge and traditional cultural expressions</li> </ul>
Anna Cody, Senior Lecturer; Director, Kingsford Legal Centre	E: <a href="mailto:acody@unsw.edu.au">acody@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 9556 Room: Law Building G37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of clinical legal education in effective support and education of Indigenous law students</li> <li>• Community development and organisation in Indigenous communities in Mexico around the right to water</li> <li>• Appropriate legal responses to the needs of the Stolen Generations</li> </ul>
John Corker, Director, National Pro Bono Resource Centre	E: <a href="mailto:corker@nationalprobono.org.au">corker@nationalprobono.org.au</a> P: 9385 7371 Room: Law Building 139	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of Aboriginal media in society</li> <li>• How the Aboriginal Legal Service can best be helped by pro bono legal assistance</li> </ul>
Annie Cossins, Senior Lecturer	E: <a href="mailto:a.cossins@unsw.edu.au">a.cossins@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2246 Room: Law Building 333	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-editorship (with Chris Cunneen) of a proposed book titled <i>Addressing Violence and Sexual Assault in Indigenous Communities: The Best Way Forward</i></li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Book is to document and analyse several key issues: the policy imperatives that led to the Northern Territory Emergency Response; the various legal and policy approaches to violence and sexual assault; and the issues involved in responding to sexual assault in very remote communities</li> </ul>
Kyllie Cripps, Senior Lecturer	E: <a href="mailto:kcripps@unimelb.edu.au">kcripps@unimelb.edu.au</a> (starting at UNSW in 2010)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sexual assault and family violence in Australian Indigenous communities</li> </ul>
Chris Cunneen, Professor	E: <a href="mailto:c.cunneen@unsw.edu.au">c.cunneen@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 8242 Room: Law Building 323	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Australian Prisons Project: this researches the growth and development of prisons in recent years; Indigenous-specific aspects include research into Indigenous people's experiences of the prison system, and the development of Indigenous-specific prisons</li> <li>• Indigenous family violence: research conducted in recent years for the Queensland Government, including interviews with Indigenous women regarding their access to the legal system in relation to family violence</li> <li>• The impact of Indigenous justice agreements and strategic plans developed by Australian justice departments</li> <li>• (With Melanie Schwartz): research report for the NSW Legal Aid Commission into the civil and family law needs of Indigenous communities</li> <li>• Co-editorship (with Annie Cossins) of a proposed book titled <i>Addressing Violence and Sexual Assault in Indigenous Communities: The Best Way Forward</i></li> </ul>
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		<p>project)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indigenous peoples and international law: the effectiveness of United Nations forums for Indigenous peoples' legal advocacy; Expert Commentary on UN <i>Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples</i> (with International Law Association); and co-authorship of a text on the <i>Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples</i></li> <li>• Indigenous peoples, the World Trade Organization and international trade (with the UN Research Institute for Social Development)</li> <li>• The use of Aboriginal customary law in the courts: research and database (with NSW Aboriginal Legal Service)</li> </ul>
Andrea Durbach, Associate Professor; Director, Australasian Human Rights Centre	E: <a href="mailto:a.durbach@unsw.edu.au">a.durbach@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2543 Room: Law Building 319	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reparations for the Stolen Generations, in the context of international developments (South Africa, Canada, New Zealand), reconciliation, and proposals for statutory reparations at the federal level</li> </ul>
Jill Hunter, Professor	E: <a href="mailto:j.hunter@unsw.edu.au">j.hunter@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2261 Room: Room: Law Building 320	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General research in the exercise of police powers, the prosecution process and the conduct of criminal trials, which includes an analysis of these processes on Indigenous people</li> <li>• Co-authorship of a textbook on these issues</li> </ul>
Zrinka Lemezina, Editor, <i>Indigenous Law Bulletin</i> ; Project Officer	E: <a href="mailto:ilb@unsw.edu.au">ilb@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2256 Room: Law Building 149	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (With Megan Davis): Australian constitutional reform in relation to Indigenous people – preambular recognition as well as more substantive reforms to the <i>Constitution's</i> provisions</li> </ul>
Fiona Martin, Senior Lecturer	E: <a href="mailto:f.martin@unsw.edu.au">f.martin@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 9558 Room: Law Building 346	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human rights implications of tax concessions given to organisations with charitable status, including Indigenous organisations</li> <li>• The effect that withholding charitable status can have on economic and development capacities of Indigenous organisations (eg, in relation to prescribed bodies corporate, organisations engaging in advocacy)</li> </ul>
Kath McFarlane, PhD candidate	E: <a href="mailto:z3234200@student.unsw.edu.au">z3234200@student.unsw.edu.au</a> P: 0458 681 207	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The development of delinquency in relation to children in out-of-home care, including Indigenous children removed from their</li> </ul>

		families
Chris Marel, PhD candidate	E: <a href="mailto:kriiss.marel@gmail.com">kriiss.marel@gmail.com</a> P: 0402 425 581	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An empirical examination of the success of regulatory responses to petrol sniffing in Northern Territory communities (with fieldwork done in Alice Springs)</li> </ul>
Garth Nettheim, Emeritus Professor	E: <a href="mailto:g.nettheim@unsw.edu.au">g.nettheim@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2787 Room: Law Building 226	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Involvement in the Diplomacy Training Program, teaching advocacy skills in respect of international human rights law to Indigenous people from around the world</li> <li>• Co-authorship of forthcoming 4<sup>th</sup> edition of <i>Indigenous Legal Issues</i></li> </ul>
Melanie Schwartz, Lecturer	E: <a href="mailto:m.schwartz@unsw.edu.au">m.schwartz@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2738 Room: Law Building 378	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (With Chris Cunneen): research report for the NSW Legal Aid Commission into the civil and family law needs of Indigenous communities</li> <li>• Implications of unaddressed civil and family law needs for criminal law issues and capacity-building</li> <li>• ARC Linkage Grant sought for a national investigation of these issues</li> </ul>
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Prue Vines, Professor	E: <a href="mailto:p.vines@unsw.edu.au">p.vines@unsw.edu.au</a> P: 9385 2236 Room: Law Building 216	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching Indigenous issues within the legal curriculum, and the need for effective approaches</li> <li>• Indigenous issues in relation to the coronial jurisdiction, including the impact of customary law on dealing with dead bodies, the conduct of autopsies, and burial</li> <li>• Indigenous issues in relation to inheritance and succession: community needs in relation to wills and succession, issues with the legal drafting of wills for Indigenous people (eg, kinship, art and copyright, equitable doctrines to protect certain kinds of customary law)</li> </ul>