

## Indigenous Studies Research Network 2012 Annual Symposium



### What is Critical Indigenous Studies in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?

In appearance Indigenous studies has acquired all the trappings of a discipline, although the accounts of its formation vary. It is formally recognised as part of university curricula in New Zealand, Canada, Hawaii the United States and Australia and is included in inter-disciplinary contexts and degree programs or is offered as a program and degree in its own right. Indigenous scholarship is being published in unprecedented numbers with publishing houses competing for manuscripts. Indigenous studies journals began emerging in the 1970s though most were and continue to be edited by non-Indigenous people. *Wicazo Sa Review* published in the United States was an early exception with Indigenous academics establishing and publishing the journal. It has taken some time for Wicazo's lead to be followed. Recent Indigenous edited and controlled journals include *AlterNative: an international journal of Indigenous Peoples* and *He Puna korero: Journal of Maori and Pacific Development* which are produced in New Zealand. *The aboriginal policy studies journal* in Canada, *Oiwi: a Native Hawaiian Journal* and the international *eJournal of Critical Indigenous Studies* to name a few. In addition, Indigenous studies professional associations have been established organising research related activities as well as convening conferences to enable intellectual engagement and the formation of national and international networks. The nature and extent of this institutionalisation and the conditions of existence, though often marginalised and under resourced, speaks to the disciplinary status of Indigenous Studies but what remains unclear are its epistemological boundaries. This year's annual Indigenous Studies Symposium will focus on the question: what constitutes Indigenous Studies in the 21st century?

**Our Keynote Speakers include:** A/Professor Chris Andersen (CAN), Professor Larissa Behrendt (AUS), A/Professor Hokulani K. Aikau (USA), Professor Roger Maaka (NZ), Professor Adrian Miller (AUS), Professor Aileen Moreton-Robinson (AUS), A/Professor Kim Tallbear (USA) and A/Professor Maggie Walter (AUS)

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