

Summary of Discovery Indigenous Applications for Funding to Commence in 2006

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Approved Project Title **Testing Ground: Investigating Indigenous Knowledge Programs and Indigenous Research Methodologies in Higher Education.**

2006 : \$31,070

2007 : \$17,500

Primary RFCD 3302 CURRICULUM STUDIES

Administering Institution The University of Queensland

Project Summary

This project will contribute to Australian social cohesion through the non-divisive Indigenous Knowledge approach to the teaching of Indigenous issues. Indigenous Knowledge Research is a new methodological development that will afford research in many cross-cultural contexts including those where literacy and numeracy skills are low. This research methodology has national and community significance because it fosters social cohesion in investigating problematic contexts through methods that bridge across groups and build community capacities to engage, identify and implement self-owned solutions. This research will facilitate the instigation of informational gathering structures in the most marginalized sectors of the Australian community.