

# Summary of Discovery Indigenous Researchers Development Proposals for Funding to Commence in 2007

## New South Wales

### The University of Newcastle

**DI0775800** Mr M Donovan

**Approved Project Title** **Analysis of the effectiveness of a Quality Teaching framework in increasing Aboriginal students' educational outcomes**

**2007 :** \$30,000

**2008 :** \$30,000

**Primary RFCD** 3799 OTHER STUDIES IN HUMAN SOCIETY

**Administering Organisation** The University of Newcastle

#### Project Summary

This research will address key elements of the National research priority goals, including Priority 2 & Priority 3 Promoting an innovation culture and economy. This research will make a significant contribution to educators' understanding of ways of increasing Aboriginal students' educational success rates. It will enhance the schooling experiences of Aboriginal students and provide teachers with the tools to engage with Aboriginal students in a culturally appropriate and educationally efficacious manner. Improvement in Aboriginal students' educational qualifications will support welfare reform agendas, as higher educational attainment is associated with decreased welfare dependence, which is desired by Indigenous communities and leaders.

**DI0775792** Ms TS Mallie; Asst Prof NA Blair; Dr S Fleming

**Approved Project Title** **Aboriginal identities within architecture and the built environment: Perceptions of a sample of Indigenous and non-Indigenous architects**

**2007 :** \$16,000

**Primary RFCD** 3799 OTHER STUDIES IN HUMAN SOCIETY

**Administering Organisation** The University of Newcastle

#### Project Summary

This cross-disciplinary approach of Architecture and Aboriginal Studies creates a new field when combined with decolonising methodology. This study aims to acquire knowledge and to consider the racial identities of the architect designer and building user. It is expected to lead to an improved understanding of architecture and the built environment for building users in Indigenous communities and organisations. It will also add further depth to Australian architectural design.