

# A PLACE TO WORK A PLACE TO STUDY OR DO BOTH



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
NEWCASTLE  
AUSTRALIA

THE  
**WOLLOTUKA**  
INSTITUTE

"It has been a privilege to be part of the University of Newcastle as a former student and current staff member. I have always felt supported and feel fortunate for the opportunities the University has provided me. I was able to develop my skills as a teacher in the Department of Education and Wollotuka as a tutor. I am now in a position where I can give back to the University and my community and that is an outcome of the educational environment that has been created."

Jake MacDonald

*Alumni and Indigenous Executive Support and Engagement Officer – Office of PVC Indigenous Strategy and Leadership - Vice-Chancellor's Division*

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"As a student, being able to engage with Indigenous staff was pivotal to my success. Now as a staff member, I am able to provide that pastoral support to students to help them succeed. Our University provides so many opportunities to develop your career all within the one organisation."

Luke Halvorsen

*Executive Officer, Indigenous Health Unit – School of Medicine and Public Health*

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"Without the support of Wollotuka I don't know how I would have been able to get through my degree. I am grateful for their support along with the many opportunities I was presented with. I was fortunate enough to be employed as an Indigenous Cadet which allowed me to gain relevant work experience for my degree. After graduating, I became a member of the Student Advancement Team at Wollotuka. As I have been through the student process at our University and experienced Wollotuka support first hand, it's been the best feeling to be able to support other students who are facing similar challenges at university."

Tahleigha Compton

*Alumni and former Indigenous Cadet*



*Dominic Dates and  
Kristy Faulkner*



*Ray Kelly Jnr*



*Indigenous Cadets  
Taylah Gray and Jade Nicholson*



*Katherine Waria*

**"Gaining access to University of Newcastle employment opportunities has expanded my abilities and has prepared me to undertake important and meaningful work."**

*Taylah Gray  
Indigenous Cadet*

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**"Working at Wollotuka as Student Recruitment Coordinator has given me the opportunity to empower more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and community members to attend university. Our University is a great place to work, the opportunities are endless!"**

*Kristy Faulkner  
Student Recruitment Coordinator, Indigenous  
Education and Research - Academic Division*

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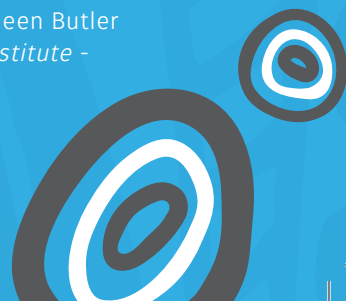
**"The Wollotuka Institute to me, has been a place of learning and laughter. I've been privileged enough to form invaluable relationships with my peers and the staff on both a professional and personal basis. Being a recipient of many opportunities from the University of Newcastle or the Wollotuka Institute itself, my ambitions and achievements have always felt supported and celebrated. For that I am very grateful."**

*Katherine Waria  
Indigenous Cadet*

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**"Education is the key to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander self-determination. Working at the University is working directly for our future!"**

*Associate Professor Kathleen Butler  
Head of The Wollotuka Institute -  
Academic Division*





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