



**Faculty of Computing Health and Science
School of Psychology and Social Science**

Social Justice Research Centre: Annual Report 2009

Social Justice Research Centre

The Social Justice Research Centre conducts research with a focus on social justice, social inclusion, and wellbeing. The Centre is multidisciplinary, with researchers from an array of disciplines including psychology, sociology, speech pathology, disability studies, children and family studies, youth work studies, women's studies, counselling, and community studies.

Researchers within the Centre work in partnership with the community, government and other organisations on a range of projects. Both academic and community interests are researched and the information is communicated via a range of forums to the professional, scientific and lay community. Our aim is to become recognised nationally and internationally as a centre for excellence in social justice research.

Strategies and Goals for 2009

Having undergone a leadership change in late 2008 strategies and goals for 2009 revolved around establishing a Centre that reflected the focus of the new head, ECU foundation chair in social justice Prof Caroline Taylor.

Strategies and goals therefore revolved around amalgamating the old Centre's focus with the new Centre's focus of social justice. Strategies and goals included finding a new name for the centre; establishing a core management group; organization of research admin assistance; promotion of the new centre; establishing a research scholarship attached to the centre with a focus on social justice research; organizing the members into research groups and providing research support to members

Members

Professor Caroline Taylor
Head, Social Justice Research Centre

Prof Alfred Allan	Prof Beth Armstrong	Prof Craig Speelman
A/Prof Lynne Cohen	A/Prof Trudi Cooper	Dr Ricks Allan
Ms Susan Badcoe	Dr Sue Bahn	Dr Vicki Banham
Dr Rodrigo Becerra	Dr Lauren Breen	Dr Suzy Casimiro
Dr Paul Chang	Dr Judith Cockram (Deputy Head)	Dr Justine Dandy
Dr Greg Dear	Ms Cathy Deeker	Ms Erin Donovan
Dr Deirdre Drake	Dr Cath Ferguson	Ms Maria Fernandez
Dr Mary Flaherty	Dr Julie Fletcher	Dr Deborah Gardner
Dr Sarron Goldman	Dr Eyal Gringart	Dr Andrew Guilfoyle
Dr Peter Hancock	Dr Bronwyn Harman	Mr Craig Harms
Dr Lekkie Hopkins	Ms Sheri Hudson	Dr Elizabeth Kaczmarek
Dr Judy Kulisa	Ms Joanne MacDonald	Dr Dianne McKillop
Ms Charn Nang	Dr Julie-Ann Pooley	Dr Judith Pugh
Dr Elizabeth Reid-Boyd	Dr Ken Robinson	Dr David Ryder
Ms Orietta Simons	Dr Anna Targowska	Ms Susan Teather
Ms Pamela Weatherill	Ms Clare Wilson	

Adjunct Members

Professor Alan Black
Professor Sherry Saggars
Professor Margaret Sims
Professor David Bradley

Research Associates

Susanne Bahn
Maria Fernandez
Judith Pugh
Lynn Roarty

Adjunct Researchers

Martin Brueckner

Adjunct Professors

Alan Black
David Bradley
Sherry Saggars
Margaret Sims

Research and Administration Support Staff

Lucie Baker
Mary Edwards

Grants Submitted

Australian Research Council Discovery Grant (2009)

Chief Investigators: Ms Megan Davis, Dr. Kyllie Cripps, Professor S. Caroline Taylor
Project Title: *Beyond Black and White: Exploring Patterns in Procedure, Precedent and Legal Reasoning in Indigenous Sexual Assault Cases*
Amount Requested: \$2.3 Million

Australian Research Council Discovery Grant (2009)

Chief Investigators: A/Professor Patricia Easta, Professor S. Caroline Taylor, Dr. Rachel King
Project Title: *A Question of Harm and Culpability: Judicial Assessment of Mitigating and Aggravating Variables in Sexual Assault Sentencing.*
Amount Requested: \$200,000

Asthma Research Foundation of Western Australia (2010)

Chief Investigators: Dr Moira O'Connor, Associate Professor Leanne Monterosso, Professor Samar Aoun, Dr Lauren Breen
Project title: *The experiences and psychosocial needs of children 11-16 years of age who have a parent living with MND*
Amount requested: \$34,396

Australian Research Council Discovery Project (Early Career Researcher 2010)

Chief Investigator: Dr Lauren Breen
Project title: *Caregiving and bereavement: Exploring caregivers' anticipatory grief and its impact on post-bereavement adjustment*
Amount requested: \$165,150

Asthma Research Foundation of Western Australia (2010)

Chief Investigator: Dr Lauren Breen
Associate Investigators: Dr Moira O'Connor, Associate Professor Colleen Fisher
Project title: *Exploring family grief following the death of a family member from asthma*
Amount requested: \$25,722.92

Cancer Foundation of Australia (2010)

Chief Investigators: Dr Moira O'Connor, Associate Professor Leanne Monterosso, Professor Moyez Jiwa, Professor Jane Turner, Dr Georgia Halkett, Professor Alison Garton, and Dr Lauren Breen
Project title: *The experiences and psychosocial needs of young children whose mothers are living with cancer: A qualitative study*
Amount requested: \$113,000

Lotterywest Grants (2009)

Chief Investigators: Dr Anna Targowska, Dr Lauren Breen, and Dr Susanne Bahn
Project title: *The well-being of school-aged refugee children in WA: Identifying risk and protective factors*
Amount requested: \$105,512.61

Alzheimer's Australia Research Dementia Grants Program (2009)

Chief Investigator: Dr Lauren Breen

Associate Investigator: Professor Anne Wilkinson

Project title: *Caregiving for people with Dementia: Exploring caregivers' anticipatory grief*

Amount requested: \$21,863.14

National Seniors Australia Productive Ageing Centre (2009)

Chief Investigator: Dr Leckie Hopkins

Associate Investigators: Dr Lauren Breen, Ms Lynn Roarty, and Ms Vasanti Sunderland

Professor Anne Wilkinson

Project title: *Tales of Times Past: Reflections and new directions*

Amount requested: \$49,885.27

NH&MRC (2009)

Chief Investigators: Ferguson, A., & Armstrong, E.

Project Title: *Using discourse analysis within reflective practice to improve communication with patients and family members.*

Grants Awarded

NH&MRC (2009-2013)

Associate Investigator: Professor Beth Armstrong et al.

Project Title: NH&MRC funded Centre for Clinical Research Excellence (CCRE) in Aphasia Rehabilitation

Amount Awarded: \$2.5m

Edith Cowan University Early Career Researcher Grant Scheme 2009

Chief Investigator: Dr Judy Kulisa

Co-Investigators: Associate Professor Trudi Cooper, Dr Lauren Breen

Project title: *The rural and remote youth work experience: Are rural and remote youth work practitioners appropriately educated?*

Amount awarded: \$24,994

Publications

Journal Articles

Allan, A. (2009). APS College of Forensic Psychologists. *InPsych*, 31, 37.

Baker, K., & Gringart, E. (in press). Body image and self-esteem in older adulthood. *Aging and Society*.

Bradley, D. & Marks, M. (forthcoming). Nexus Policing: Reflections and Imaginings. *Police: Research and Practice*.

- Bradley, D. & Nixon, C. (forthcoming Mar 2010). Ending the ‘dialogue of the deaf’: evidence and policing policies and practices: an Australian case study. *Police Practice and Research*
- Breen, L. J. (in press). Childhood disability and the family: Unpacking the assumptions underlying early childhood service delivery. *Australasian Journal of Early Education*.
- Breen, L. J. (in press). Professionals’ experiences of grief counselling: Implications for bridging the gap between research and practice. *Omega: The Journal of Death and Dying*.
- Breen, L. J., & Darlaston-Jones, D. (in press). Moving beyond the enduring dominance of positivism in psychological research: Implications for psychology in Australia. *Australian Psychologist*.
- Breen, L. J., & O’Connor, M. (in press). Acts of resistance: Breaking the silence of grief following crash fatalities. *Death Studies*.
- Breen, L. J., & O’Connor, M. (in press). Family and social networks after bereavement: Experiences of support, change, and isolation. *Journal of Family Therapy*.
- Cripps, K. & Taylor, S. C. (2009). White Man’s Law, Traditional Law, Bullshit Law: Customary marriage revisited. *Balayi: Journal of Colonialism and Law*, 10, 59-72
- Ferguson, C., & Allan, A. (2009). A literature review of risk assessment tools for use with offenders in Western Australia. Perth: Department of Corrective Services.
- Fleming, J. & Taylor, S. C. (2009). Reducing family violence in Victoria. *The Journal for Women and Policing*, 24, 20-23.
- Gringart, E. (in press). Terrorism and global security: Psychological factors and personal perspectives. *Forum on Social Policy*.
- Kennedy, J., Eastal, P. & Taylor, S. C., (2009). Rape mythology and the criminal justice system: A pilot study of sexual assault sentencing in Victoria. *ACSSA Aware*. 23, 13-23
- Wood, J. & Bradley, D. (in press) Embedding Partnership Policing: What We’ve Learned From the Nexus Policing Project. *Police Practice and Research*, 10, (2)
- Taylor, S. C. (Forthcoming). Social Death in the Aftermath of Sexual Violence. Spinifex Press: Melbourne.
- Taylor, S. C., Cripps, K., & Davis, M. (in press). A necessary rebuke: the Arakun case. *Indigenous Law Journal*.
- Taylor, S. C. & Gassner, L. (in press). Stemming the flow: challenges for policing adult sexual assault with regard to attrition rates and underreporting of sexual offences. *International Journal of Police Practice and Research*.

Book Chapters

- Armstrong, E., & Ferguson, A. (in press). Public and private identity: The co-construction of aphasia through discourse. In C. Candlin & J. Crichton (Eds.), *Discourses of deficit*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Armstrong, E. (2009). Clinical Applications. In M. A. K. Halliday & J. Webster (Eds.), *A companion to systemic functional linguistics*. London: Continuum.
- Armstrong, E., & Ferguson, A. (in press). Interacting with difficulty: The case of aphasia. In Streek (Ed.), *Interactions and language: New perspectives*. London: John Benjamins.
- Bradley, D. (2009). Education and Training. In A. Wakefield & J. Fleming (Eds.), *The Sage Dictionary of Policing*. Sage.
- Bradley, D. (2009). Police Leadership. In A. Wakefield & J. Fleming (Eds.), *The Sage Dictionary of Policing*. Sage.
- Breen, L. J., & Saggars, S. (2009). Wellness rhetoric: Implications for policy and practice in Australian childhood health and disability services. In C. A. Marshall, E. Kendall, M. E. Banks, & R. M. S. Gover (Eds.), *Disabilities: Insights from across fields and around the world* (Vol. 3, pp. 167-179). Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Wood, J. & Bradley, D. (2009). Embedding Partnership Policing: What We've Learned From the Nexus Policing Project. In P. Grabosky (Ed.), *Community Policing and Peacekeeping*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Conference Presentations

- Allan, A., Freckelton, I., Glazebrook, S., Hampel, G., Ogloff, J., & Otto, R. (2009, February). *Panel discussion on expert evidence*. Paper presented at the Australian Psychological Society College of Forensic Psychologists, Melbourne.
- Allan, A. (2009, March). *Professional developments in psychology in Australia?* Paper presented at the Disability Services Commission, Perth, Western Australia.
- Allan, A. (2009, April). *Keynote: Apology and forgiving in the context of justice*. Paper presented at the Western Australia Justice Policy and Practice Conference, Perth, Western Australia.

- Allan, A. (2009, April). *Court reports*. Paper presented at the Australian Psychological College of Forensic Psychologists workshop on court report writing, Perth, Western Australia.
- Allan, A. (2009, July). *Open disclosure and patient safety*. Paper presented at the Australian patients for patient safety conference, Perth, Western Australia.
- Breen, L., Saggars S., & Wildy, H. (2009, October). *Implementing wellness approaches: Negotiating the tensions in childhood disability services*. Paper accepted to the 8th National Allied Health Conference, Canberra, Australia.
- Breen, L., Saggars S., Wildy, H., Millsteed, J., Crowley, M., Re, M., Raghavendra, P., Murchland, S., Larkins, V., & Hurwood, A. (2009, October). *Wellness: The art and science of holistic health*. Poster accepted to the 8th National Allied Health Conference, Canberra, Australia.
- Breen, L., & Fernandez, M. (2009, September). *Grief and loss counselling for people affected by cancer in Western Australia: A preliminary analysis*. Poster accepted to the joint 10th Australian Palliative Care Conference and the 8th Asia Pacific Hospice Conference, Perth, Australia.
- Breen, L. J., Saggars, S., & Wildy, H. (2009, July). *Negotiating the tensions: Implementing wellness approaches in childhood disability services*. Paper presented at the 11th Trans-Tasman Community Psychology Conference, Perth, Australia.
- Breen, L., Saggars S., Wildy, H., Millsteed, J., Crowley, M., Re, M., Raghavendra, P., Murchland, S., Larkins, V., & Hurwood, A. (2009, July). *Wellness: The art and science of holistic health*. Poster presented at the 11th Trans-Tasman Community Psychology Conference, Fremantle, Australia.
- Cooper, T. (2009, June). *Models of Youth Work Revisited*. Paper presented at the international youth studies conference 'All Change for Young People? Mobility, Markets, Media, Models of Practice' at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth (NUIM).
- Cooper, T. (July, 2009). Concepts of Resilience. Paper presented at the 11th Trans Tasman Community Psychology Conference 'Exploring Boundaries, Expanding Frontiers', Fremantle, Western Australia.
- Dooley, J., & Allan, A. (2009, February). *Forensic psychology and public policy development: What are the central issues?* Paper presented at the Australian Psychological Society College of Forensic Psychologists, Melbourne.
- Flaherty, M. (2009, Oct). *What we can learn from hearing parents of deaf children?* Paper presented at the 4th World Congress on Mental Health and Deafness, Brisbane, Australia.
- Taylor, S. C. (2009, August). *Are family pets that suffer cruelty victims of family violence?* Australasian Council of Women and Policing Conference, Perth.

Taylor, S. C. (2009, August). *Daisy petals on the survivor's flower: they believe me, they believe me not, they believe me, they believe me not..* Australasian Council of Women and Policing Conference, Perth.

Taylor, S. C. (2009, June). *Policing into the Silence*. Public Expectations of Police British and Australian Academy of Social Sciences Invitation Only Workshop: City of London University, UK.

Taylor, S. C. (2009, June). *Democratic Policing Is Not Enough: The Development of Policing As A Thick Public Good Requires Attention To Other Values As Well*. International Police Executive Symposium, Ohrid, Macedonia.

Activities

The Centre for Social Research has undergone several changes since 2008. Head of the Centre, Prof Margaret Sims left ECU to take up a position at the University of New England in NSW. Prof Caroline Taylor (Chair in Social justice) was appointed as the new Head of the Centre in November 2008, with Dr Judith Cockram appointed as Deputy Head and Dr Eyal Gringart as acting deputy head in Dr Cockram's absence.

In consultation with members it was decided that a new name was needed for the Centre which would better reflect its new direction. After much consultation with CSR members a new name for the Centre the 'Social Justice Research Centre' was agreed upon in March 2009.

The Centre's research focus has been developed around the key research areas of its members. All members were invited to nominate their preferred area of research. This resulted in the formation of 13 cluster research groups, each headed by a team leader. Each group is comprised of a team of researchers with shared research interests.

Research Clusters

Social Inclusion and Wellbeing	Children, Youth & Families	Social Program Evaluation	Forensic Psychology
Aging	Interpersonal Violence	Disabilities	Grief Loss and Trauma
Equity and Diversion	Prisons	Mental Health	Lifespan Resilience
Terrorism			

- A core management group was formed and held an inaugural meeting in May 2009. The core management group is made up of Prof Taylor, Prof Beth Armstrong, A/Prof Lynne Cohen, A/Prof Trudi Cooper, Dr Lauren Breen, Dr Greg Dear, Dr Eyal Gringart, and Dr Peter Hancock. The group meets regularly to discuss matters concerning the management and direction of the Centre's research and activities.
- In consultation with members a website was developed to showcase the Centre it's members and their research <http://www.psychology.ecu.edu.au/research/social-justice/> The website was launched on August 21st with the official launch of the newly named Centre taking place in 2010.
- Two banners and two posters were developed to showcase the Centre at social justice and research related events. The banners were recently displayed at the Engaging with Research @ECU, the International Day for People with Disability- Guest speaker event held at Joondalup Campus and the International Day of People with Disability - Exhibition Wheelchair Basketball Match held at Mount Lawley campus. Gift presentations were made on behalf of the Centre members to the key speaker and basket ball players at the International Day of People with Disability events.
- The Social Justice Research Centre was represented at the research Expo (*Engaging with Research@ECU*) event recently held at the Burswood Entertainment Complex in Perth. The Centre unveiled its new banner, Prof Caroline Taylor was featured in the presentation DVD and 8 posters were displayed showcasing recent research projects by members of the Centre. These included:
 1. Gender, status and empowerment: A study among women who work in Sri Lanka's Export Processing Zones (EPZs) (Peter Hancock and colleagues from CENWOR - Sri Lanka and Sri Lankan Board of Investment, funded by AUSaid)
 2. Policing Just Outcomes (Julie Fletcher and Caroline Taylor)
 3. Supporting Children after Separation Program (SCASP) (Vicki Banham, Andrew Guilfoyle, & Rosa Napolitano-Lincoln)
 4. A spider in the web: Evaluation of Understanding and Building Resilience in the South West project (Andrew Guilfoyle)
 5. Attitudes of employers and older nurses to prolonged working life in the nursing profession in Western Australia (Eyal Gringart, Bronwyn Jones, Janis Jansz, Leanne Monterosso, and Ed Helmes)
 6. The reporting of adult sexual assault to police in Victoria: The victim/survivor experience and its implications (Caroline Taylor and Cathy Decker)

7. Social death post disclosure of rape and sexual assault: Reconstructing wounded identity (Caroline Taylor)
 8. Grief and loss counselling for people affected by cancer in Western Australia (Lauren Breen, Moira O'Connor, Elizabeth Lobb, & Maria Fernandez)
- Prof Taylor also gave a presentation entitled “ An enduring wounding: post disclosure experiences of survivors of sexual violence” as part of the research week at ECU events.
 - The Centre has recently appointed a p/t Research Assistant who will assist to establish and build research focus and capacity within the Centre.
 - Several Centre meetings to which all members of the Centre are invited were in 2009. They are usually held on a monthly basis and provide an opportunity for members to discuss research and other matters pertaining to the Centre.
 - The Centre hosted an end of year seminar followed by a BBQ lunch for members and invited guests on November 30th.

Seminar Series

In an effort to promote a research culture within the Centre and to engage members and other researchers the Centre hosts a series of presentations by Centre members and external researchers.

Seminars 2009

Thursday 19th March, 2009	The Ins and Outs of Managing Research Accounts	Presenter: Pam Cackett
Thursday 26th March, 2009	Media psychology: Opportunities for applied research	Presenter Prof Duane Varan
Monday 6th April, 2009	Policing and the Universities: Still a Dialogue of the Deaf?	Presenter David Bradley
Tuesday 7th April, 2009	Witnessing Tibet: Life narrative, testimony and political action in the Tibetan diaspora	Presenter Dr Julie Fletcher.
Thursday 23rd April, 2009	Encouraging children's learning and well being: Reflecting on child care inclusion support for children and families from CaLD backgrounds	Presenter Dr Anna Targowska
Wednesday 29th May, 2009	The effect of stuttered disfluencies on the temporal deployment of spontaneous speech	Presenter Ms Charn Nang
Wednesday 3rd June, 2009	Embedding wellness approaches in the policies and practices of allied health providers in childhood health and disability settings	Presenter Dr Lauren Breen
Thursday 9th July, 2009	Using conversation analysis to assess and treat the talk of people with aphasia and their conversation partners	Presenter Dr Ray Wilkinson
Thursday 23rd July, 2009	"Take only photos, leave only	Mr Paul Hanna

	footprints": the ethical consumption of global tourism	
Thursday 6th August, 2009	Applying Positive Psychology Therapy (APPT) to the reduction of physical aggression among school age children	Presenters Professor Tammie Ronen-Rosenbaum & Professor Michael Rosenbaum
Thursday 13th August, 2009	Childhood disability and the family: Unpacking the assumptions underlying service delivery	Presenter Dr Lauren Breen
Friday 4 September, 2009	- ARC = Anguish Resolve Celebration: Tales of courage and despair in the quest for academic research glory	Presenter Prof Beth Walker
Thursday 26 November	Law and Order Politics: is there a way forward rather than downward?	Prof Rick Sarre,

Community Engagement

2009 Prof S. Caroline Taylor appointed to the Editorial Board of The Journal of Criminal Justice Research (JCJR)

Professor S. Caroline Taylor appointed to the conference organizational committee for the 2010 International Police Executive Symposium to be held in Malta, March, 2010.

In 2009 Prof Caroline Taylor was invited by PNG Police and international aid agencies to present key seminars and training forums regarding rape, child abuse and domestic violence to Royal Papua New Guinea Police Constabulary, Australian Federal Police and prosecutors. Site visits were undertaken to Boroko Police Station and Sexual Offence Squad; Port Moresby Police station, Office of Public Prosecutions; Haus Ruth (NGO service providing women and children's shelter); Public Prosecution Office, Family Sexual Violence Unit and Action Committee. Visits to NGO shelters and other services were undertaken to meet privately with child and adult victim/survivors, site visit to AFP offices, NGO criminal justice services.

In addition she undertook a Victoria police benchmarking trip UK. Site visits were undertaken to London Metropolitan Police 'Sapphire Project'; Scotland Yard 'Serious Crimes Unit' (Homicide and Rape); Scotland Yard 'Child Homicide and Child Abuse Unit'; Devon and Cornwall Constabularies 'Domestic Violence Unit' and 'Sexual Crimes Unit. Visits to sexual assault victim care units including 'Havens', London and 'Twelves Company', Devon were also undertaken

Breen, L.: 2007-2009 Member of the Organising Committee 11th Trans Tasman Community Psychology Conference 15th -17th July 2009, Perth, Western Australia. Theme: Exploring Boundaries, Expanding Frontiers

Breen, L.: 2009– present Appointed a National Ambassador for the 27th International Congress of Applied Psychology, 11-16th July 2010, Melbourne, Australia

Breen, L.: Invited speaker Catholic Education Office's Grief Awareness Day – for teachers, school psychologists, community nurses, and parents. Title: Family grief: How to support families following sudden death.

Breen, L.: Reviewer of 3 papers and 2 posters for 44th Australian Psychological Society Annual Conference, 30th September to 4th October 2009, Darwin, Australia. Theme: Psychology and the Top End

Breen, L.: Reviewer of 9 papers and 3 roundtable sessions for 12th Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, 18th-21st June 2009, Montclair, New Jersey, USA. Theme: Realizing Our New Vision: Values and Principles for Practice, Research, and Policy

Breen, L.: Editor of the *Australian Community Psychologist*
Member of the National Executive Committee, Australian Psychological Society College of Community Psychologists

Other Research Related Activities

Breen, L. J., & Pember, A.-J. (Eds.). (2009). Showcasing student research [Special issue]. *Australian Community Psychologist*, 21(1).

Breen, L. J., & Darlaston-Jones, D. (Eds.). (2007). Applied research methodologies [Special issue]. *Australian Community Psychologist*, 19(1).

Professor Beth Armstrong currently editing special issue of international journal Aphasiology.

Ms Charn Nang currently President of the WA Speakeasy Association (support group for people who stutter).

Ms Charn Nang participated as academic community panel member for funding allocations of Growth Program, Disability Services Commission.

Contributions to Education and Training DVD's

'Partner Rape' DVD Produced by Women's Health, Goulburn East. To be launched, November 2009.

Media Opinion Pieces

'Sexism and Misogyny on Facebook' ABC online Opinion Piece, 10 November 2009
www.abc.net.au/unleashed/stories/s2737736.htm

'Abuse of trust breeds culture of silence.' The Age. Saturday, August 1 2009 p. 9 (Insight section). „Radio stunt was a form of child abuse.“ The Courier, Ballarat, August 1, 2009, p15.

Future Plans

- The Centre will appoint a postgraduate student to its Inaugural Social Justice Research Centre Scholarship (full-time). Applicants will be invited to develop their research in keeping with the strategic areas of the SJRC with its focus on social justice, social inclusion and wellbeing.
- The Centre was successful in securing an ECU visiting scholar grant. In February 2010 Professor Susan Lea from the University of Plymouth, UK, will spend approximately 5 weeks at the Centre working with staff and postgraduate students to enhance our research in the area of violence against women and the criminal justice system. Professor Lea will conduct a number of master classes for postgraduate students as well as present a major seminar at the WA Police Academy and to Police and criminology students at the University of Tasmania. In addition Prof. Lea will collaborate with Centre staff on a journal article and an international collaborative grant application.
- An additional outcome of Professor Lea's visit will be the development of an MOU between the SJRC and the newly developed social justice centre developed at the University of Plymouth.
- Establishment of an SJRC Advisory Committee to provide strategic direction regarding core funding will occur in the latter part of 2010: The purpose of the committee is to identify funding opportunities / streams; Identify industry and linkage partners. To meet two or three times per year. It is proposed that the committee will comprise 3 internal to ECU – high level and 3 external – with strong links for networking

Development of Strategic links:

- Professor Colleen Haywood, Head, Kurongkurl Katitjin, eager to establish strong links with SJRC: Reciprocal relationship and strategic link; possible scholarships for Indigenous students and female students from disadvantaged backgrounds; identify possible collaborative research projects
- International link with University of Plymouth via Professor Susan Lea: research with minority groups; racial and sexual oppression and violence; Human rights and social justice; Links with police, health sector and community sector; Centre for Excellence in Professional Placement Learning
- The head of the regional education department (Bunbury district) has approached the centre to formalize a pro-active relationship between the centre and schools in that region, in particular schools with socially disadvantaged students. In addition, the department is currently in talks with centre staff to collaborate on an ARC Linkage Grant for the November 2010 round.
- SJRC to identify five or six research projects linked to category 1 funding areas: Teams formed around these projects ; Plan for SJRC to submit 10-15 grant applications annually.