Topic

The success of mature-age higher education
Block-Release mode students
Research Question

Why are mature-age Indigenous students studying at the Centre for Aboriginal Studies (CAS) able to be successful at completing full-time study as a Block Release student while maintaining work, family and community obligations?
Aims/objectives of the study

This research project will investigate the impact of higher education on the lives of Indigenous undergraduate students at the CAS. The project will also investigate the associated social and political benefits for Indigenous communities and the national Indigenous agenda.
The research aims to:

• Summarise qualitative data about Indigenous undergraduates Block Release student enrolled at the CAS.

• Investigate the emotional and social wellbeing of these students.
• Disseminate this information to Indigenous centres of higher education so that it can be utilised to:

- motivate students to complete their courses; and

- contribute to discussions about policy directions in Indigenous higher education.