

## CHALLENGING RACISM SERIES

### Resisting the Racist Silence



#### ABSTRACT:

This presentation will outline 'advances' in the understanding of racism targeting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The central focus of the presentation will be on the lived and living experiences of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities and the diverse ways in which racism has embedded itself into Western society. Critically, the presentation will focus on how these Indigenous standpoints may not fully align with Western questions of what (is) racism?

#### BIOGRAPHY:

**Professor Gawaian Bodkin-Andrews** is a D'harawal man raised (and connected to) on Bidjigal (bitter water) and Nattaimattagal (sweet water) Country. As a scholar, Prof Bodkin-Andrews' research encapsulates and promotes Aboriginal Australian standpoints and perspectives across a diversity of disciplines (most notably education and psychology). He has been a chief investigator for numerous research grants examining a diversity of topics including, mental health, mentoring, identity, Traditional Knowledges and Storytelling, Indigenous-centered statistics, education, racism, and bullying. He has over 60 refereed publications (including two edited books), and supervised to completion six PhD students (three Aboriginal Australian). He is currently a member of Maiaṁ nayri Wingara Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Data Sovereignty Group, the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, the D'harawal Traditional Descendants and Knowledge Holders Circle.

**DATE:** Tuesday 28 September 2021

**TIME:** 12:00 – 1:00pm

**VENUE:** Zoom (link provided on registration)

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