The ANU’s Electronic Publisher

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Decision to establish an ANU E Press was made in December 2002

ANU E Press officially launched (no longer a project) by the Vice-Chancellor in May 2004.

ANU E Press listed by DEST on their Register of Acceptable Commercial Publishers. Inclusion on this register enables ANU E Press authors to claim points under the Higher Education Research Data Collection (HERDC) scheme

Project began by republishing reprints – titles that were still in demand

Since May 2004 ANU E Press focused on publishing original works and also co-publishing with other publishers across campus.
This overall aim was to establish an electronic university press that would assist in enhancing the University’s position as a leading research institution.

- E Press would build upon and integrate with wider e-scholarship frameworks such as EPrints, DSpace, ADT Program
- To adopt an open access approach
- Provide online books free of charge
- Provide a Print-on-Demand service (paperbacks)
There are two parts to the E Press Publishing model:

1. Open Access - Online versions are freely available to readers
2. Distribution Model - Editorial processes and functions are performed in the disciplinary areas across campus
**Definition**: Open access (OA) means free online access to digital scholarly material[1] – primarily peer-reviewed research papers, but extending also to other digital content that authors wish to make freely available to all users online. [1 Peter Suber]

- ANU E Press’s electronic formats (PDF, HTML, and HTML for mobile devices) may be viewed or downloaded free of charge

- Readers are free to read, copy, download, print and display the work solely for personal use or use within your organisation.
Distribution Model

- Distribution rather than centralised
- Team consists of three staff, no intention to expand this unit
- Editorial Structures are in place in Asia and the Pacific, Humanities and Creative Arts, Indigenous Australia (CAEPR), Law, Science
- Co-publishing with Asia Pacific Press, ANZSOG, Aboriginal History, Centre for Archaeological Research
Production Process

1. Manuscript provided in ‘styled’ format (usually MS Word)

2. XML Conversion

3. XSLT’s are used for presentation purposes

4. Different formats (PDF, Print-on-Demand, Mobile HTML and HTML) are generated from a single source (XML)
An example of a citation page. Free downloadable formats include PDF, HTML and Mobile device.
1. Welfare and social justice for Indigenous Australians

Brian Butler

Introduction

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are just as keen as the government is to address welfare and social justice issues. These have to be understood in the context of the early European settlement of this country, which destroyed the structure of our way of life and cultural values, and led to the dispossession of our land. Our peoples still face what is described by the Commonwealth Grants Commission (CGC) in a recent draft report (CGC 2000) as 'the historical legacy of exclusion from the mainstream provisions of Australian society'. It is imperative that we understand the importance of these underlying issues. From the early settlement period until the referendum of 1967, the majority of our peoples never really had a fair go in education or employment, and they were certainly not in a position to exercise autonomy, or self determination about their future. This power was exercised by governments and still is to this day.

Our peoples were exposed to the welfare support system as a necessity, not by choice. They were forced to live in an alien environment, and dependence on the welfare support system of course meant access to the cash economy. As a result our peoples encountered many social problems such as alcohol and substance abuse, ill health, poor housing, brushes with the law, and racism and discrimination. These factors in turn impacted on their ability to attain relevant and appropriate levels of education and labour market skills to enhance their employment and social skills. We are faced with the reality of the legacy of dispossession and discrimination that have weakened or destroyed the economic bases of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies. These experiences have left many without social context, relevant skills, or opportunities to move beyond a reliance on welfare.

One factor that has not received enough attention is racism. No government has yet fully considered this as a major issue which warrants changes in its policies so that it can be addressed in the delivery of essential services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients. Despite legal sanctions against racism and discrimination, our people still experience overt and tacit racism in this country (see Bartlett, Ch. 20, this volume). It is rare, for example, to be served by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander shop assistant. Racism can be addressed through structural changes in the delivery of services. Governments and policy makers should be aware of the fact that, as Noel Pearson (2000) said, 'welfare dependency makes people even more vulnerable to the degradations of racism'.

Attempts have been made, and programs introduced specifically to address Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' welfare and social justice issues. Yet since the recognition of our peoples as Australian citizens in 1967, none of these programs have effectively
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Advantages publishing with an Electronic Publisher

• Combine quality peer review with fast production times (reach their targeted audience without long lead times)
• Participating in a global process of ‘public good’ (free dissemination of information)
• Making available the intellectual output of the academic communities of the ANU
• Statistics are provided for your titles
• Quick and easy access to your material — international exposure
• Receive DEST points for your work
• All eBooks are also available as print books
  ▪ Ebooks are a more effective mechanism for the communication of scholarly research — sustainability
  ▪ Benefit readers by providing quick and easy access and storage of academic and scholarly titles
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  ▪ Titles digital archived
70 Titles have been published (as at 31 March 2007)
Approximately 50 titles will be published in 2007
All Titles searchable through search engines and currently registering titles through Google Book Search/Scholar
Web Usage Statistics –
  • PDF and HTML downloads for 2005 – 381,740
  • PDF and HTML downloads for 2006 – 745,288
Top 5 ebooks (whole book) downloaded for 2006
  - El Lago Espanol (30,258)
  - Ethics and Auditing (24,584)
  - Connected Worlds (18,814)
  - The Spanish Lake (17,861)
  - Black Words White Pages (17,314)
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