Summary of Evaluations for the 2013 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Research Symposium

1. How would you rate the Symposium on the following items?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Very Poor</th>
<th>Poor</th>
<th>Fair</th>
<th>Good</th>
<th>Excellent</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Quality of Presentation</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>3</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Organisation of Event</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Overall Quality</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>8</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2. Overall, which aspects of the Symposium were most beneficial for you?

- Diverse & interesting presenters
- Networking
- Plenty of time for Q & A with the speakers
- I only attended to the two past ones. My background is physics and my appreciation biased this way. The most interesting to me was on trauma.
- Learning about the research in detail and in person
- Hearing about other researchers work/findings. Their research provided great insight to different research types/avenues.
- I think seeing other student’s research was one of the most beneficial things about it because you feel connected to other students and it’s also refreshing to see other disciplines of research.
- The multiple disciplines being presented was a real strength.
- It was great to hear about the research being conducted in the broad area of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research.
It was also good to hear from people based at other universities. And I also enjoyed hearing from Ian Anderson some of the projects and priorities underway more broadly in the university.

Feedback and discussion with people in the room
The quality of the 5 presentations was fantastic.
The variety & themes(?) highlighted need for research with our communities
Hearing the presentations was inspiring!

3. Overall, how could the Symposium have been improved?

- More attendance
- More speakers (the last 2 IGSA Symposiums were better)
- This presentation (on trauma), lacked clarity, units for graphs. Then again, I am completely unfamiliar to this field.
- It’s good. More people should have taken up this opportunity to witness this.
- Honestly I can’t think of any ways. I thought it flowed really well today.
- The organization was terrific – can’t think of anything
- More people in the audience to ask more questions of the researchers. More universities’ Indigenous HDRs near completion to present would be good, but for a whole day e.g 10 presentations in a whole day. This encourages collaboration.
- I think it’s always tough to get participation at these things but it would have been good to have more people attending.
- Have you thought of trying to link in with the GSA or the Melbourne Social Equity Institute to increase the spread of advertising etc?
- More people attending

4. Any other comments

- Thank you and well done!
- Well done Lauren and IGSA!
- I hope more universities will participate next year. Tacking it on to the CCG Symposium was a good idea.
- Well done!