BOOK LAUNCH

THE POLITICS OF IDENTITY
Who Counts as Aboriginal Today?
By Bronwyn Carlson

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The Politics Of Identity: Who Counts As Aboriginal Today? explores the complexities surrounding Aboriginal identity in the present day. Pointing to the multiple, yet narrow definitions of Aboriginality that have existed throughout Australia’s colonial history, Bronwyn Carlson investigates the continuing impact these characterisations have upon contemporary Aboriginal identities.

Winner of the 2013 Stanner Award—best academic manuscript written by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander author - The Politics of Identity is a brave and personal contribution offering a fresh line of analysis to the subject of Aboriginal identity. Bronwyn Carlson is an Aboriginal woman who was born on and lives on D’harawal Country in NSW. She was the first Indigenous Australian at the University of Wollongong to be awarded an Australian Research Council (ARC) Discovery (Indigenous) grant in 2013 for her research on Aboriginal identity and community online on social media. Bronwyn was awarded a second ARC in 2016 for her research on Indigenous help-seeking on social media. She is currently an Associate Professor in Indigenous Studies at the University Wollongong.

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