# Jawun Research Centre

# **SEMINAR SERIES**

Communication, Health, and Social and Cultural Well-Being



# Seminar 29: Pacific French: A Migrant Story

This multidisciplinary seminar series aims to create a forum centered in Jawun. It is for researchers at CQUniversity, across Queensland and all over the world, as a forum to share their research findings and establish potential synergies, leading to joint grant applications, and partnerships that endeavour to advance knowledge in various disciplines.

#### Location

Room 3.27, CQUniversity Cairns Campus Corner Abbott Street and Shields Street Or via **Zoom** Passcode: **572150** 

# **Date and Time**

Wednesday 7 June 2023 3:00pm - 5:00pm **Qld time** Light refreshments provided

# **RSVP**

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Further seminars upcoming in 2023 – watch this space!



Speaker Dr Florence Boulard, Senior academic, James Cook University, and Fellow at the Cairns Institute.

**Abstract** One of Australia's closest east-side

neighbours is the Franco-Melanesian Island known as New Caledonia/Kanaky. Despite Australia's proximity to this island, my 20 years' experience has taught me that the South Pacific Islands are often misunderstood by the general public. This presentation will introduce 21st century New Caledonia/Kanaky as an interwoven part of Australia's future. The presentation will discuss the people, languages, and cultures of my island home. In particular, this seminar draws attention to the vehicle of education which creates a window of opportunity to bring attention to the Pacific French and help transform the imagery of the South Pacific Islands.

