



AAUT

NEVILLE BONNER AWARD FOR INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

In 2002, the Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education was introduced as part of the Teaching Excellence Awards. Neville Thomas Bonner AO (28 March 1922 – 5 February 1999) was an an elder of the Jagera people and the first Aboriginal Australian to become a member of the Parliament of Australia. A respected commentator and activist on Indigenous issues, his contribution to Australia has been recognised in perpetuity with a suburb in Canberra named after him.

For this award, nominees must demonstrate their contribution to Indigenous education. Only Indigenous teaching staff may nominate. Please contact the AAUT awards team for more information: aaut@rmit.edu.au

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS



2023



A/PROF KERRY BODLE
TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Indigenising the traditional business education curriculum and using community-led research to break down barriers and ensure success for Indigenous people, businesses and communities.



2022



A/PROF BENJAMIN WILSON
TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Eco-centric approaches to education through Indigenous ways of knowing to affect lasting change in education systems. Transformational Learning Theory, experiential learning, and building sustainable, equal power relationships with students.



2021



DR AMBELIN KWAYMULLINA
TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Focus on developing and delivering content related to First Nations peoples to best practice standards, and on transforming teaching and learning spaces to be respectful of First Nations peoples, knowledges, and cultures



2021



PROF ODETTIE BEST
CITATION

For leadership of Australian Nursing education in the pioneering development of Indigenous curricula and learning resources that support Yatdjuligin - learning in a good way.