

- 2.11 To provide direction and support to the Director and staff involved with Aboriginal education within the University.
- 2.12 To direct the allocation of funding for Aboriginal programs within the University.
- 2.13 To provide direction on Aboriginal perspectives within the curricula of other Faculties.
- 2.14 To be an advisory body on Aboriginal issues within the University.
- 2.15 To be an advisory body on Aboriginal research issues within the University.
- 2.16 To be involved in all review processes related to Aboriginal education.
- 2.17 In conjunction with Faculties, Departments and Staff Office to be responsible for the recruitment of staff in Aboriginal education at all stages of the process

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Catchment areas

- 3.1 The University of Newcastle is committed to serving the interests of the community of the Hunter and Central and Lower North Coast regions, however, students are attracted from all areas of Australia particularly to the Medical and Nursing Faculties, and also other courses. The University is also well placed to serve the needs of many communities in NSW, particularly those of the North West and Western regions.

Strengths

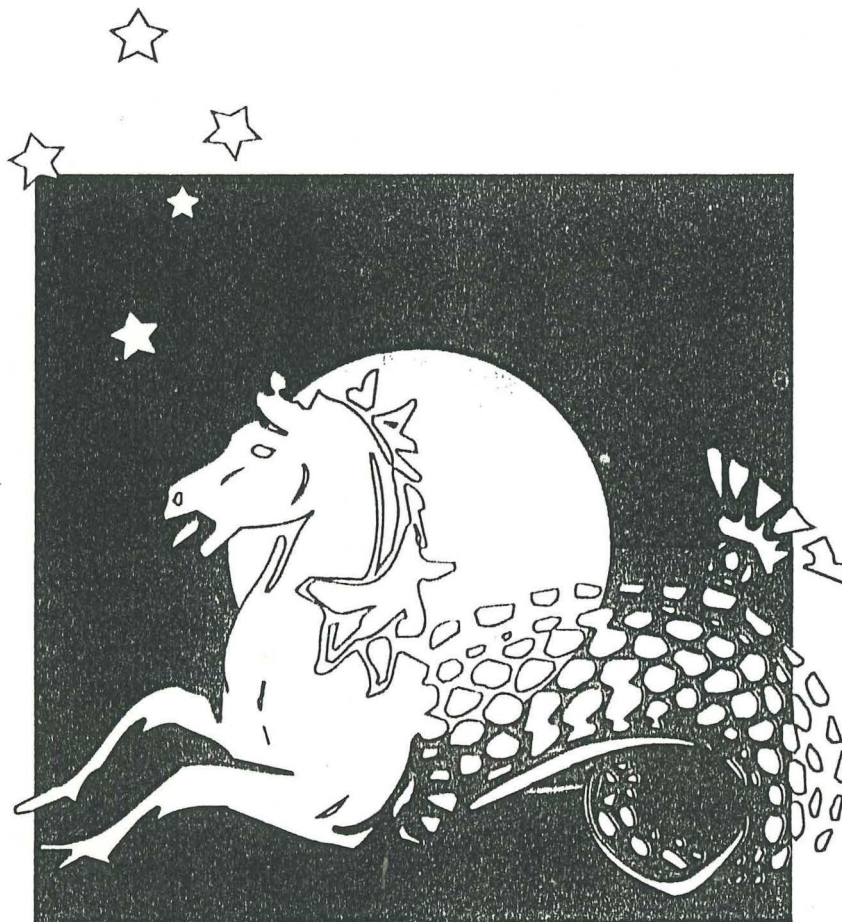
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- 3.2 Within the University there has been a consistently low turnover of Aboriginal staff. Aboriginal students have access to two support units: the Wollotuka Aboriginal Education Centre, and the Aboriginal Student Liaison Office in the Faculty of Medicine.
- 3.3 Wollotuka began as an Aboriginal Enclave in 1984 and has developed into a multi purpose centre over the intervening years. It obtained its present free standing building in 1987. Expansion of its role as a resource centre and subsequent increases in Aboriginal student enrolments and retention led to extensions to the building in 1989. The Co-ordinator and Assistant Co-ordinator have been instrumental over an eight year period in developing the broad range of resources enjoyed at this time.

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