



GENDER UNLIMITED* #3 ENGAGING COMMUNITIES

DATE

10am–12pm
Thursday 28th February 2019

VENUE

169 Macquarie Street
Parramatta NSW

Level 7, Learning Studio 29
Peter Shergold Building
Parramatta City Campus
Western Sydney University

RSVP

Friday 22nd February 2019
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10.00AM WELCOME

Professor Janice Aldrich-Wright
Western SAGE Academic Lead

10.05–10.50AM KEYNOTE

ENGAGING DIVERSE
COMMUNITIES IN THE PUSH FOR
GENDER EQUALITY

Professor Nareen Young
Industry Professor, Indigenous
Policy
Indigenous Workforce Diversity
University of Technology Sydney

10.50–11.00AM TEA BREAK

11.00AM–12.00PM PANEL DISCUSSION

STRATEGIES FOR ENGAGING
DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

Professor Sev Ozdowski AM (Chair)
Director, Equity and Diversity
Western Sydney University

Professor Nareen Young
Industry Professor, Indigenous
Policy
Indigenous Workforce Diversity
University of Technology Sydney

Samantha Webster
Senior Relationships Manager
Pride in Diversity

Maria Kovacic
Co-Founding Director
Western Sydney Women

Amanda Rose
Co-Founding Director
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B-Ann Echevarria
Project Officer
NSW Refugee Health Service

12.00PM EVENT CLOSE



GENDER UNLIMITED* #3 SPEAKER PROFILES

KEYNOTE

Professor Nareen Young
Industry Professor, Indigenous
Policy, Indigenous Workforce
Diversity, UTS

Nareen is one of Australia's leading and most respected workplace diversity practitioners and thinkers. For fifteen years, Nareen managed two peak bodies (Diversity Council Australia and NSW Working Women's Centre) with enormous impact and success. She is now Industry Professor at Jumbunna Institute of Education and Research, UTS, where she is working on the most innovative, exciting approaches to cultivating and nurturing what Indigenous Australians bring to our workplaces and businesses. Nareen also has significant governance experience. spent a term as Director, Indigenous Business Australia, and currently sits on the boards of Souths Cares, BlakDance and Refugee Talent. She has received numerous awards and acknowledgements, including the inaugural 100 Women of Influence honour for Diversity.

PANEL CHAIR

Professor Sev Ozdowski AM
Director, Equity and Diversity
Western Sydney University
Sev is an Australian human rights advocate and social researcher, former senior civil servant and Human Rights Commissioner and Disability Discrimination Commissioner for the Australian

government (2000-2005). He is known for his defence of human rights of refugees, especially child asylum seekers detained in Australia and people with disabilities and mental illness and for his contribution to multicultural policies in Australia.

PANELISTS

Samantha Webster
Senior Relationships Manager,
Pride in Diversity
Samantha has 20+ years expertise in HR and Talent Solutions in the UK, USA and Australia. She also brings organisational psychology rigour to "Best Fit" and EQ for frontline and leaders and has delivered projects and workshops for a vast array of business growth strategies, including diversity and inclusion.

Maria Kovacic
Co-Founding Director, Western
Sydney Women

As one of the founders of Western Sydney Women, Maria wants to ensure we live in a community where women of all ages and backgrounds are supported, empowered and have their voices heard. Maria has a strong commitment to promoting financial literacy, participation and education across the diverse landscape of our local communities. GAICD Board Chair, Managing Partner Western Sydney Advisory, Co-Founder Western Sydney Women & Western Sydney

Executive Women, Mortgage, Commercial & Asset Finance Specialist & Mentor, Women@Eels Steering Committee Member, Hills Community Aid Board Chair.

Amanda Rose
Co-Founding Director, Western
Sydney Women

Amanda Rose is a Strategic Connector, Radio Host, Keynote Speaker and brand strategist, who contributes regularly to national and international news content and who was declared by TIME.com to be an "internet winning blogger". Amanda (#BossLady) is passionate about facilitating women in business. She is CEO of The Business Woman Media and founded Western Sydney Women to ensure women are connected to the resources and inspiration they need to be economically independent and satisfied in life.

B-Ann Echevarria
Project Officer, NSW Refugee
Health Service

B-Ann has coordinated the Refugee Women's Health Project for the NSW Refugee Health Service since its inception in 2006, working to promote the health of people from a refugee background living in NSW. Since the Project's inception, B-Ann has engaged with women resettled in Australia as refugees from Afghanistan, Myanmar, Burundi, Iran, Iraq, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Sudan and Syria.



GENDER UNLIMITED*

SEMINAR SERIES



ABOUT

Gender UNLIMITED* is an interdisciplinary, public-access seminar series at Western Sydney University, designed to promote progressive and provocative conversation around gender equality. The series is coordinated by the University's SAGE Project.

AIMS

The Gender UNLIMITED* seminar series aims to:

- promote awareness for the importance of gender equality
- share knowledge about best practice in organisational change toward gender equality
- promote a greater understanding of gender diversity, including complex, non-binary notions of gender
- generate new knowledge in gender research, including around factors that intersect with gender to compound inequality
- advance the potential for cross-disciplinary exchange in gender research
- foster a culture of inclusion and awareness around gender diversity

AUDIENCE

Western Sydney University is committed to promoting a gender-aware and gender-responsive culture within the organisation and across its local community. The series will draw together a vast network of participants and audiences from across the Sydney region, including:

- Western Sydney University staff and students
- higher education institutions across the NSW region participating in the SAGE Pilot
- academic and other research partners
- gender equity practitioners
- key stakeholders across industry, government, and NGOs
- the broader public.

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