



Burnet
reach for the many

Indigenous co-design and data sovereignty

Shared Ground

Why it matters

Good intentions need
practical tools.



Different conversations. Shared Authority.

Better together

Meaningful participation.
Long last impact.

The Gap

Growing expectations
across government, ethics
and funders

Proven methods and
practical tools remain hard
to access

Teams often lack
Indigenous-led expertise to
turn principles into practice

Indigenous data and
knowledge risk misuse
without Indigenous
governance

Consultation falls short of
shared decision-making

Our Approach

Indigenous leadership
and governance guide
every step

Research-backed methods
turn evidence into practice

Consulting, facilitation
and education packages
build capabilities

Usable tools, frameworks
and education empower
everyone

We use culturally safe
practise for lasting impact

Stronger Outcomes

Real partnerships from
consultation to shared
decision-making

Safer, more trusted
relationships that strengthen
participation

Robust data through
respectful stewardship

Fit for purpose solutions

Long lasting impact
for Indigenous people
and communities

Why work with Burnet?

- ✓ **Indigenous-led expertise** grounded in research and real-world practice
- ✓ **One integrated approach** spanning co-design, data sovereignty and governance
- ✓ **Evidence-based methodologies** that translate principles into practice
- ✓ **End-to-end capability** from engagement and data through to decision-making
- ✓ **Practical implementation support** tailored to organisational needs
- ✓ **Sustainable impact** for organisations and Indigenous communities

We are seeking opportunities to work with organisations to strengthen Indigenous co-design, data sovereignty and governance through consulting, education and practical implementation support.

Our Services

Burnet brings together Indigenous-led expertise and real-world experience across co-design, Indigenous data sovereignty and governance, underpinned by research-generated knowledge and proven methodologies. This integrated capability translates research, evidence and Indigenous know-how into practical approaches that enable organisations to move from principles and good intentions to sustainable implementation.

- **Consulting and advisory** – specialist advice tailored to organisational needs
 - **Facilitation and co-design** – Indigenous-led facilitation and co-design methodology
 - **Education and training** – workshops, professional development and capability building
 - **Tools and resources** – practical frameworks, templates and implementation resources
 - **Ongoing implementation support** – supporting organisations to embed Indigenous co-design, governance and data sovereignty into everyday systems, processes and practice
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Our expertise and track record

Shared Ground draws on more than 20 years of research, scholarship and applied practice, grounded in Indigenous leadership, knowledge systems, relational accountability, cultural safety and Indigenous Data Sovereignty.

- **Indigenous led expertise** across co-design, governance, data sovereignty and culturally safe practice
 - **Research-backed methodologies** developed and applied through real-world projects and partnerships
 - **Strong translation capability** turning evidence and principles into practical tools, education and implementation
 - **Published scholarship** spanning Indigenous knowledge systems, research methodologies, sovereignty and institutional change, including the 2025 Springer book *Indigenous Research Knowledges and Their Place in the Academy*
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Our Team & Partnerships

Led by Professor Kelly Menzel, a Ngadjuri woman with ancestral connections to Bundjalung Nation, Shared Ground draws on longstanding collaboration with leading Indigenous scholars, including Professor Bindi Bennett, Professorial Research Fellow at Federation University and the ARC's inaugural Academic Director (Indigenous).

Work with us



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