Professor Anne Martin AM

Professor Martin, a proud descendant of the Yuin people of the NSW South Coast born and raised at La Perouse has been a long-time advocate, mentor and driver of enhanced education outcomes for First Nations students.

Viewing education as the key to change, Professor Martin is currently the Director of the Australian National University (ANU) Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre, which provides a meeting place and support base for ANU First Nations students and staff.

In this role, Professor Martin has created a culture of inclusiveness and improved experience and outcomes for Indigenous students and is seen as a true leader in Indigenous communities both nationally and internationally.

Professor Martin graduated from CDU (then the Northern Territory University) with a Bachelor of Arts in 1991 and has continued her close working relationship with CDU by promoting ANU funder exchange positions with CDU Indigenous staff and supporting research and teaching

programs such as the Indigenous Diplomacy Program with DFAT.

Throughout her life, Professor Martin has always held close to her heart and mind the advancement of Indigenous rights and Indigenous people more broadly. From 2006-2018 she was the Co-Chair of the NAIDOC committee celebrating the rich history, culture and achievements of First Nations peoples.

In addition, Professor Martin has served on boards and been a member of many other organisations including the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, the Indigenous Advisory Board at Adelaide University, Human Rights Board UNSW. She has also served on a number of community focussed boards including the KARI Foundation and Community First Development.

In 2017, Professor Martin was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from the World Indigenous Nations University in recognition of her contributions to a broad Indigenous education agenda with a particular emphasis on student success.

In the 2019 Australia Day Honour Awards Professor Martin was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia and was in the same year awarded the ACT Senior Woman of the year.

In recognition of her contribution to enhancing education outcomes for First Nations students using inclusivity and cultural knowledge, Charles Darwin University Council awards Professor Anne Martin AM the degree of Doctor of Letters, Honoris Causa.