PhD Completion Seminar: James W.W. Rose

Kinship Networks and Population Cohesion in Space and Time: A Case Study for the Indigenous Population of the Central Murray Darling Basin

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This thesis comprises an augmented kinship network analysis of the Indigenous population of the Central Murray Darling Basin (CMDB) in South-East Australia. Building on the established anthropological methodology of kinship network analysis (KNA), this study implements additional computational metrics to generate a novel form of 3-dimensional population modelling, visualising the distribution of kinship networks in geographic space and historical time. The results of this spatiotemporal kinship network analysis (stKNA) reveal complex patterns of cohesion in the Indigenous CMDB population not detected in previous conventional social anthropological studies.

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