Transcript

Title: Andrew-James 'AJ' Williams-Tchen (Alumni Impact Awards 2022) Creator: Swinburne Alumni Year: 2022

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Andrew James or AJ is of Wiradjuri, Wotjobaluk background and founded Girraway Ganyi consultancy, an Aboriginal owned consultancy offering Aboriginal cultural awareness and mental health first aid workshops and cultural mentoring programs to schools, community groups, and national and state run organisations.

He has graduated with three diplomas from Swinburne, diplomas of community services specialising in disability services, youth work in child protection, juvenile justice, and statutory supervision. AJ is consultancy, aims to inspire individuals to work more effectively within the indigenous space and to increase cultural safety and mental health literacy for all.

AJ has recently delivered his 700th mental health course. AJ has been recognised for his work in the community through many awards throughout his career. He was most recently awarded the 2022 Allied Health COVID champion in all his personal, professional, and work-life, AJ strives to make significant or positive changes to address social injustice and challenges faced by Aboriginal people in Australia and create innovative projects to address some of these disadvantages. Of course, Swinburne strongly supports and values at every level

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