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MEDIA RELEASE

Indigenous leader, Mr Noel Pearson, to Join Trinity

Trinity College Warden and CEO, Professor Ken Hinchcliff, is very pleased to announce that the 2015 Dr Margaret Williams-Weir Vice-Chancellor's Fellow, Mr Noel Pearson, has joined Trinity College as an Academic Fellow in Residence.

The status of Academic or Teaching Fellow is awarded from time to time to a person who will render outstanding service to the academic life of the College.

Noel hails from the Guugu Yimidhirr community of Hope Vale on the South Eastern Cape York Peninsula, and he has spent decades advancing reform on native title, economic development and social policy for the people of Cape York. He is an Advisor for the Cape York Partnership and Chairman of Good to Great Schools Australia.

As a national voice in indigenous affairs, Noel will contribute to the life of the College through formal and informal interactions with Trinity students, including mentoring our indigenous students, hosting regular discussions with the wider student cohort and speaking at significant Trinity occasions.

Noel joins Professor Marcia Langton, the Foundation Chair in Australian Indigenous Studies at the University of Melbourne, who is a Fellow of the College, as a role model for the more than 25 indigenous students currently resident in the College.

Professor Hinchcliff said that Noel's appointment illustrates Trinity's continued commitment to education of indigenous students.

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