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## Designing With Country And Respectful Practice



### 1. What is meant by the term 'Country'?

Country is the landscape, the water, the animals, the ancestors, the generations to come, the weather, the wind, the fall of the sunlight, the seasonality, the ecology, the sky – all those things.

### 2. How many seasons are there in Larrakia Country?

Six.

### 3. What are the key guiding principles for respectful consultation?

- Innovation
- Integrity
- Empowerment

### 4. What does Indigenous Knowledge mean?

Indigenous peoples maintain sovereignty over Indigenous cultural and intellectual property, including knowledge of Country, biodiversity, and ecological management practices. This knowledge belongs to specific communities and individuals, follows customary lore regarding its sharing, and requires explicit consent for its use.

### 5. How does the JCU project connect to Country?

The artistic story locates the place and the people within the broader cultural map of connections and Country. As an open structure, the project is deeply connected to Country – weather, sunlight, wind, birdlife, aspects, seasons, vegetation and sky, while providing a shaded and protected space people use as a meeting and gathering space.

### 6. Which aspects of Indigenous culture can be understood as a 'science'?

Indigenous people practice Cultural Science, this is observational science. Aboriginal peoples have the world's oldest continuous human scientific tradition, engineering tradition and body of environmental knowledge.