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Enhancing the Inclusion of Pacific Communities in Australia

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Overrepresentation?

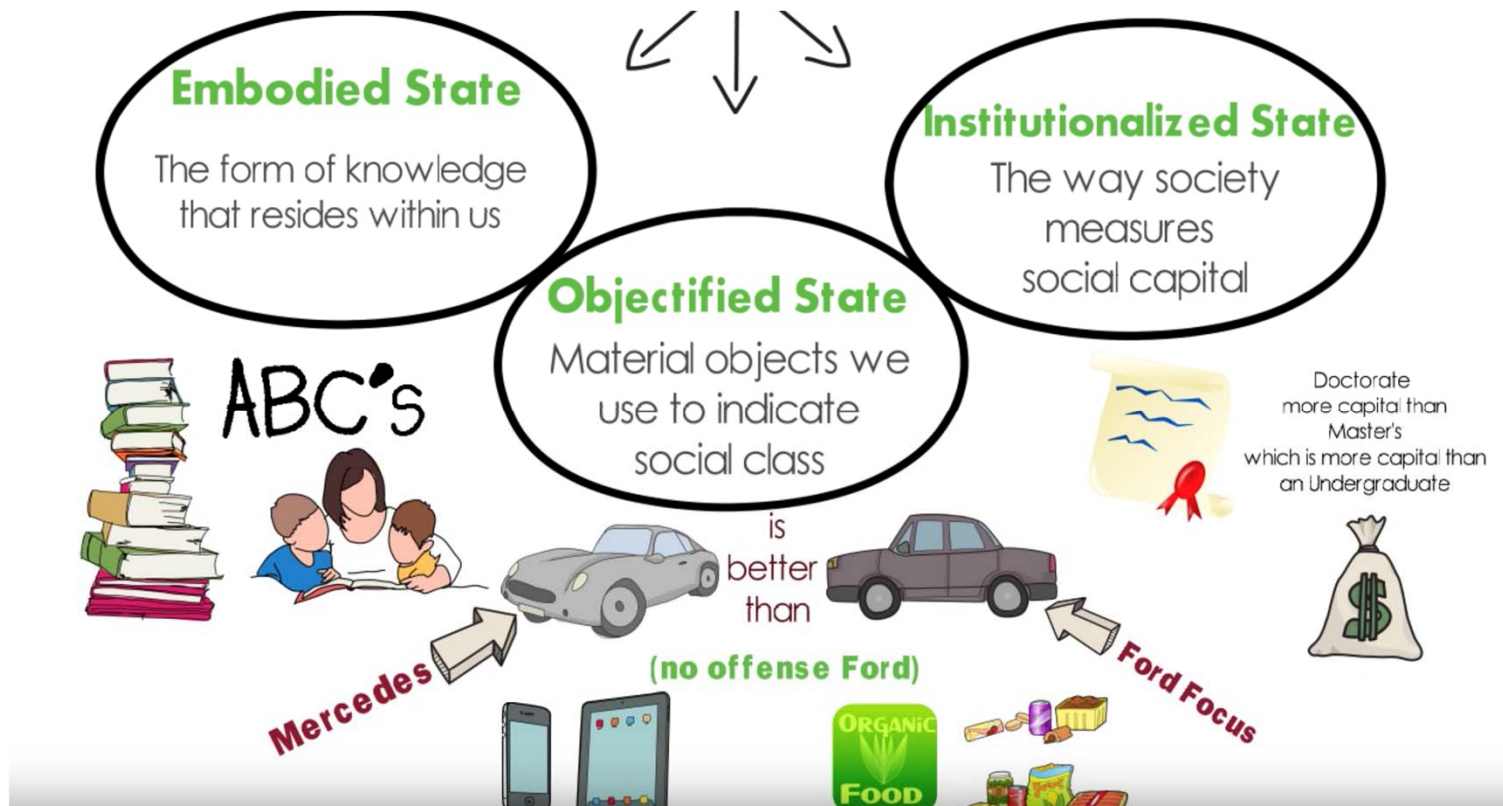




Bourdieu's Cultural Capital

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5DBEYiBkqp8>

(Sociology Live!)





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YOUNG PEOPLE

#	Top 10 Factors	Responses	Percentage (n = 1241)
1	Friends and other outside influence	460	37.1%
2	External distractions	169	13.6%
3	Anti-social school behaviour	145	11.7%
4	Individual decisions and attitudes	95	7.7%
5	Nothing (everything's okay)	88	7.1%
6	Negative self-talk and thoughts	65	5.2%
7	Family commitments and issues	55	4.4%
8	Bullying	36	2.9%
9	Unsupportive or conflict with Teachers	24	1.9%
10	Sporting commitments	19	1.5%
Other factors			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject / Understanding difficulty • No support • I don't know • Other reasons • Lack of resources • Financial issues • No supportive learning environment • Church commitments 			

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PARENTS

#	Top 5 Factors	% (n=16)
1	Money	22%
2	Lack of encouragement / support	11%
3	Interpersonal struggles / attitudes	10%
4	Negative peer pressure	9%
5	Learning barriers	8%
Other factors		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family / parenting issues • Family obligations • Negative drug and substance use • Sporting commitments • Lack of consistent time management • Lack of knowledge of services and access to support • Citizenship barriers and requirements 		

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TEACHERS

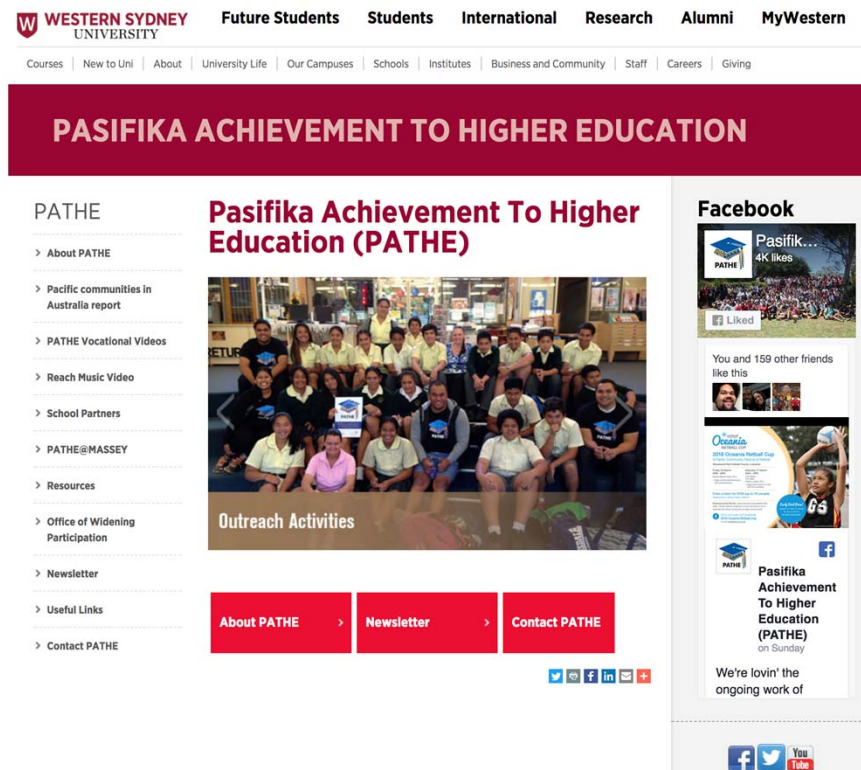
TEACHERS	
Most influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family • Cultural expectations • Faith and church commitments
Influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-esteem, confidence & stereotyping • Learning style and engagement • ESL / Literacy and numeracy needs • Lack of parental engagement
Also influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer pressure • Lack of support • Lack of money • Lack of Pacific role models • Sport commitments • Antisocial behaviour • Lack of educational resources • Unsupportive teachers • Low socio-economic status

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COMMUNITY WORKERS

COMMUNITY WORKERS	
Most influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low self-esteem and confidence• Lack of family support
Influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of information about formal education• Lack of mentors• Lack of community support• Lack of money• Lack of opportunity and peers
Also influential	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low socio-economic status• Lack of aspiration• Ethnic cultural practices

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Pasifika Achievement To Higher Education (PATHE) on Sunday

We're lovin' the ongoing work of

- Student Support
 - On campus meetings & activities
 - Ambassador opportunities
- Outreach
 - Primary & High Schools
 - Educators
- Project Innovations
 - Family & Community Events
 - Resources

PATHE Vocational Videos

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/pathe/pathe/vocational_videos

- Online resource
- Study Guide
- Empower young people, parents, educators and wider community



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 - Artist: Aaron McTaggart
 - Athlete: Mo'on'ia Gerrard
 - Athlete: Sam Perrett and Tatafu Polota-Nau
 - Business: Joe Swamy
 - Chef: Bridget Davis
 - Child Care: Seta Teuhema
 - Cultural: Meryjane McKibbin-Schwenke
 - Fashion: Paul Mullaga
 - Juvenile Justice: Barbara E'e
 - Make Up and Hair: Terri Smith
 - Musician: Juanita Tippins
 - Navy: Rosemarie Apikotoa
 - Nurse: Tashla Hunuki
 - Police: Rosa Fall and Billy Kamisi
 - Retail: Lela Pikula and Cherish Nouata
 - Teacher: Mary Groatz
 - Teacher: Leon Latulipe

PATHE Vocational Videos

PATHE celebrates video launch



Please download the [PATHE Vocational Videos - Study Guide \(PDF, 696.95 KB\)](#)

PATHE Vocational Videos is one part of PATHE's innovative projects that seeks to further engage community and provide accessible resources. Specific vocational areas utilised in the videos were profiled from feedback on future aspirations given by over 700 Pacific young people.

Packaged as a series of 18 vocational videos, this resource highlights interest areas and personal journeys of Pacific people perusing careers in various vocations. These short films complement the current PATHE outreach activities and can be used as an additional resource across the wider community.

PATHE Vocational Videos are accompanied by this study guide to further assist in creating ongoing and meaningful conversations with Pacific people; to build aspirations towards further education and training through developing and achieving vocational and career goals.



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