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Kyle tees off about ‘bulls***’ university guidelines around indigenous history

KYLE Sandilands has let loose on university “wankers” trying to “rewrite history” over news students will be taught Australia was “invaded” rather than settled.

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Radio host Kyle Sandilands is not happy with the introduction of terminology guidelines around indigenous people. Source:News Limited

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RADIO heavyweight Kyle Sandilands has let loose on university “wankers” trying to “rewrite history” over news university students will be taught Australia was “invaded” rather than settled.

The breakfast host was reacting to guidelines in place at the University of New South Wales (UNSW) around indigenous terminology.

The Diversity Toolkit, introduced in 2012, defines what is an appropriate language to use around Australian indigenous history, and which terms are offensive to indigenous Australian people (not “Aborigines”).

The guidelines say it is “offensive” to suggest Captain Cook “discovered” Australia, and that period of Australian history should be broken into four periods: indigenous, pre-invasion, invasion and post-invasion history.

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The controversial guidelines have been introduced at the University of New South Wales. Source:News Limited

The document also suggests some words are acceptable for indigenous Australians to use but not others.

“The Aboriginal English words ‘blackfella’ and ‘whitefella’ are used by indigenous Australian people all over the country,” it says.

“Although less appropriate, people should respect the acceptance and use of these terms, and consult the local indigenous community for further advice.”

Teeing off on his Kiis FM radio show, Sandilands said the guidelines were unnecessary.

“It divides society,” he said.

“All the flogs at uni reckon we invaded the joint ... I’m not interested in who was here first and who did what, get over it, it’s 200 years ago.”

Conservative commentator Alan Jones weighed in on the issue during his program as well, telling his listeners the guidelines would make “smoke come out of your ears”.



Alan Jones labelled the guidelines 'rubbish'. Picture: Dale Webster Source:News Corp Australia

“The study of history ought to be about the examination of facts in order to support a thesis about developing an argument supported by fact ... don’t try and restrict the thinking of university students by some so called diversity toolkit on indigenous terminology rubbish,” he said.

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“To suggest that it would stifle open debate at a university in any way is plainly wrong,” she said.

“Terminology guides such as this are commonplace across universities and many public sector organisations and it is absolutely appropriate for students and staff to have such resource available.”



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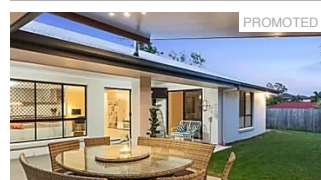
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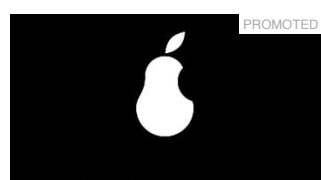
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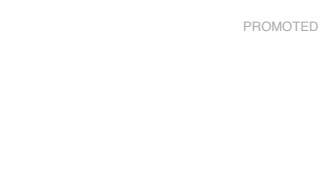
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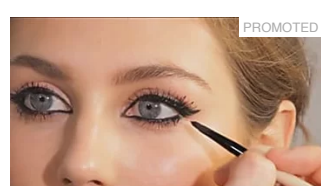
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