

## Academy of Wellness and Human Development

# SOWK Department Seminar Series 2025

## Advanced Training Workshop in Narrative Practice

### Crafting Dignifying and Creative Responses to Experiences and Thoughts of Suicide with Young People and Families: Narrative Therapy in Suicide Prevention and Postvention

#### Workshop Content

The experiences of grief that ripple through families and communities in the wake of suicide are devastating and profound. This workshop will explore possibilities for healing and justice in conversations with young people and their families in suicide prevention and postvention contexts. Participants will be introduced to Narrative practices that can help people connect with what matters to them and discover vital experiences of agency and connection in the face of hardship, hopelessness and isolation.



#### Speaker profile

Ben Shannahan lives and works on Whadjuk country in Perth, Western Australia. He is a Narrative Family Therapist and is part of the teaching faculty of the Dulwich Centre and Partnership Projects UK. He has facilitated training in family and narrative therapy nationally and internationally. He is interested in developing dignifying therapeutic practices that respond to the politics of people's experiences that might contribute to healing and a sense of justice. He currently works in independent practice with [www.thefamilyrooms.com.au](http://www.thefamilyrooms.com.au)



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