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Research Aim

• To identify current
  – Attitudes and beliefs about grammar
  – Knowledge about language
  – Pedagogical ability
Background

• Historically grammar has been an area of contention.

• “Grammar Wars”

• Development of Australian Curriculum
  – Greater focus on grammar
Significance

- Research in other countries.
- Impact on the gap between intended and enacted curriculum.
- Area of need for teachers.
Conceptual Framework

- Grammatics
- Language as a system
- Role of grammar
Proposed methods

• Mixed methodology
• Survey
  – Attitudes
  – Content knowledge
  – Pedagogy
• Interview
• Observations