

## TFK programme, funded projects 2026

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| <b>Project title:</b> Verbal art and Biocultural Heritage                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Coordinator</b><br><br>Helsingin yliopisto<br><br>Pirjo Kristiina Virtanen<br>Pirjo.virtanen@helsinki.fi               | This project establishes collaboration between higher education institutions in Finland (UH), Argentina (EIDAES-UNSAM), and Brazil (UFPA) to address shared educational needs in the study and revitalisation of verbal art and biocultural heritage. By introducing shared interdisciplinary knowledge production, it brings together expertise in Indigenous language, historical ecology, and sustainability sciences. Core activities include doctoral training, academic mobility, co-supervision and the production and knowledge dissemination through seminars, joint publications, and land-based reflections. Verbal art is foregrounded as a living form of knowledge that mediates relationships, values, and historical ecological memory, and it acts as a dynamic resource for reflective dialogue. |
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