Yugambeh Nation

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Yugambeh Citizenship

Citizenship of the Yugambeh Nation comes through descent from our Ancestors, under our Nation's law and custom. If you are a known descendant of a recognised Yugambeh Ancestor, including by adoption, and satisfy the criteria of our Nation's law and custom, you are automatically a Yugambeh citizen.

Your right to Yugambeh citizenship depends on: your line of descent; your birthplace; your parents' citizenship at the time of your birth; the residency history of your Yugambeh parent/s before your birth; and the kinship associations of your parents and/or grandparents.

Kinship means your family's connection with the Yugambeh family group you descend from. Living alongside, or associating with, other Aboriginal people within Yugambeh Country does not by itself create that connection.

It is not simply one's association with, or birth within, the Yugambeh Nation that makes a person a Yugambeh citizen. Yugambeh citizenship is governed by the principle of *jus sanguinis*, the Right of Blood.

Our rolls are built on birth, death and marriage records going back to the mid 1800s. They trace our Ancestors through their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, to around the 1960s.

How the rolls trace families

Ancestors **mid 1800s** › Children › Grandchildren › Great-grandchildren **to around the 1960s**

Questions

1. List the five things the right to Yugambeh citizenship depends on.

2. Is being born at the Gold Coast, Logan, Tweed or Beaudesert Hospital enough to make someone a Yugambeh citizen? Why or why not?

3. What does *jus sanguinis* mean?

4. What records are the Nation's rolls built on?

5. Some countries also give citizenship to people born on their soil (*jus soli*). Compare this with *jus sanguinis*. Why might a First Nation choose descent?

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