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Kua uru ngā kai ki te rua, kua mutu ngā mahi a te tangata.
Crops are now stored in pits. The tasks of people are finished.

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TE PŪRONGO NŌ NGĀ POU MATARUA CO-DIRECTORS UPDATE

As Matariki approaches, and we anticipate new beginnings, it is also time to reflect on key moments over the past year and the people who helped shape them. While Matariki is a time for renewal and remembrance, this year it is a tohu for change occurring within NPM with the departure of my fellow Pou Matarua Professor Linda Waimarie Nikora (Te Aitanga-a-Hauiti, Tūhoe).

Waimarie joined NPM and Waipapa Taumata Rau in 2017, following a hugely successful career at the University of Waikato where she built the internationally-renowned Māori and Psychology Research Unit. With Distinguished Professor Jacinta Ruru, Waimarie led the successful re-bid for NPM to continue as a Centre of Research Excellence in its current form. To all who know her, Waimarie is a wahine of enormous wisdom, kaha, authenticity and creativity - with a good dash of wicked humour. She has huge love for our people and an unwavering dedication to advancing excellent research that makes a real difference. She also leads a mean conga line! (see below). We will miss Waimarie deeply but are grateful that she will continue to be connected to NPM through our 'Promising Futures' research programme. Watch this space.

While Matariki starts its rise, Professor Melinda Webber (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whakaue) steps into the host Pou Matarua role. An award-winning researcher with a long track record of contributing to Māori educational success, Melinda brings new strengths and connections to NPM and I am excited to work alongside her in the coming years.

Transition is also in the wind at Kanapu, with pouhere Vanessa Clark stepping down to pursue her moemoeā of undertaking te reo immersion. It is wonderful to let Vanessa go, knowing she is moving into something so special. Vanessa has led tirelessly from the front to establish Kanapu and to build a suite of offerings to support community-led research, science and innovation. You can read more about Vanessa and her successor, the legendary Dr Poia Rewi, later in this e-panui.

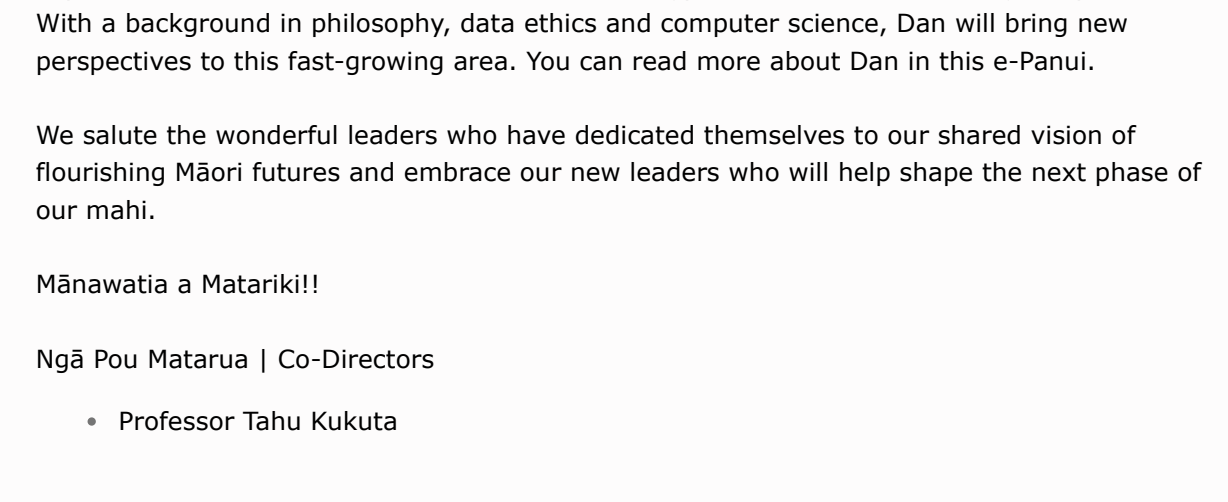
Finally, we also welcome on board Dr Daniel Wison (Ngāpuhi) who succeeds Associate Professor Te Taka Keegan as our new Pou Pae Auaha, leading our Te Ao Māori data and technology portfolio. As the 'OG' Māori computer scientist, Te Taka brought a wealth of experience to the Pou Pae Auaha role and his energy and enthusiasm will be greatly missed. With a background in philosophy, data ethics and computer science, Dan will bring new perspectives to this fast-growing area. You can read more about Dan in this e-Panui.

We salute the wonderful leaders who have dedicated themselves to our shared vision of flourishing Māori futures and embrace our new leaders who will help shape the next phase of our mahi.

Mānawatia a Matariki!!

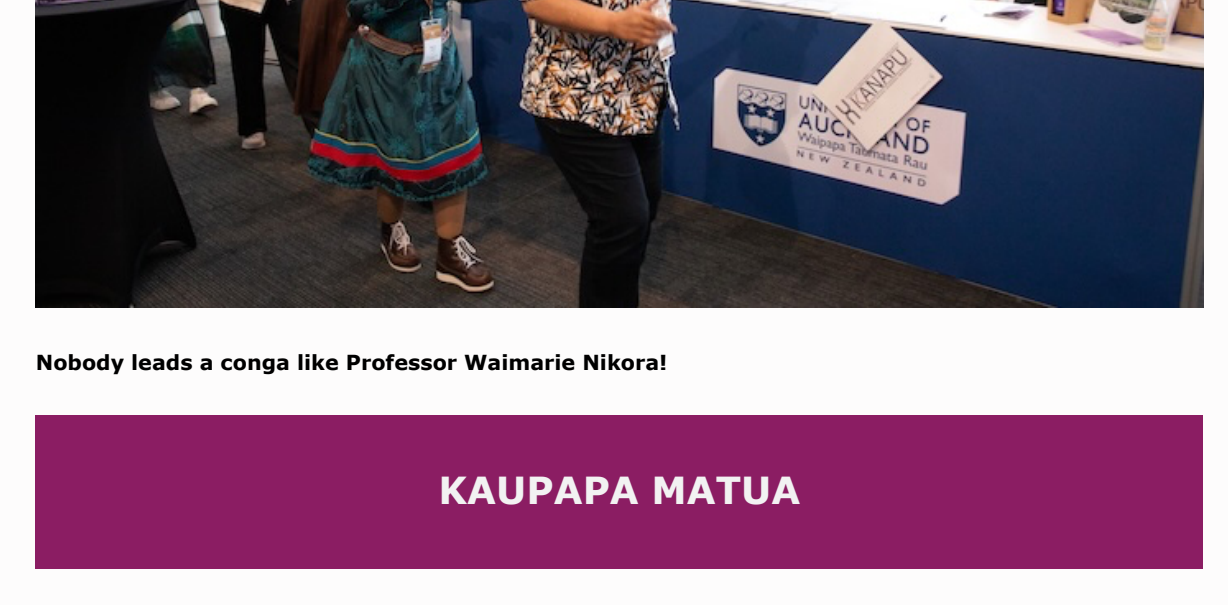
Ngā Pou Matarua | Co-Directors

- Professor Tahu Kukuta



Nobody leads a conga like Professor Waimarie Nikora!

KAUPAPA MATUA



Associate Professor Mere Skerrett believes the ECE changes in regulations will be detrimental to all tamariki.

Proposed ECE Licensing Changes Detrimental for Tamariki

By Cindy Simpkins-McQuade

The government's proposed changes to Early Childcare Education (ECE) licensing requirements will be detrimental to the learning and engagement of all tamariki if it ignores decades of research, says Associate Professor Mere Skerrett (Ngāi Tahu, Waikato/Maniapoto, Te Arawa).

Regulation Minister David Seymour has signalled that he intends to dramatically streamline Early Childcare Education (ECE) licensing criteria, including removing the legal requirements for the ECE sector to acknowledge Māori as tangata whenua, to support children's right to cultural confidence and teach about Te Tiriti o Waitangi. A review of the ECE requirements recommended to remove, merge or change three-quarters of the 98 licensing criteria, keeping only 26.

Mere, who is an ECE expert, says the move would be a retrograde one that flies in the face of substantial research showing the benefits of culturally-informed ECE delivery and of tamariki Māori seeing themselves reflected in their environment. "Scholars have long demonstrated how cultural recognition improves academic outcomes and personal wellbeing for Māori children," says Mere.

"This isn't just a bureaucratic change, it's about removing the ability of tamariki to see their language, their mana, their whakapapa respected at the very beginning of their formal learning journey."

Mere believes all children will also be negatively impacted by the legislation. "The decision doesn't just harm Māori, it robs all our learners of a meaningful understanding of Te Ao Māori which leads to cultural ignorance, division and the harmful isolation of people who won't have a pathway to knowing how they connect to Te Moana Nui a Kiwa."

She says Pākehā children deserve to know the story of Aotearoa - "not just a white-washed version. Exposure to other worldviews strengthens children' s empathy, critical thinking and their civic learning. A mono-cultural education impoverishes all learners because they have no way to critically engage with the world, or even know themselves."

"We have a wonderful opportunity in Aotearoa to promote bi-culturalism, multi-culturalism, multi-lingualism starting with te reo Māori going forward. But there is resistance because the people making the decisions are not looking long term to where we could be and how to get there."

"The studies show that environments that support high levels of collaboration and identity development – that the children grow up without fear of 'other.' The proposed legislation is a denial of who we are as a nation – richly diverse, grounded in te Tiriti and stronger because of it. What is happening with these shifts is a weakening of our social structures. It will further harm race relations."

Mere says removing these protections isn't neutral – it's a political act that says one culture should dominate. "Erasing Māori perspectives from the start of a child's early learning journey lays the foundation for deep cultural misunderstanding and will widen the social divisions later in life."

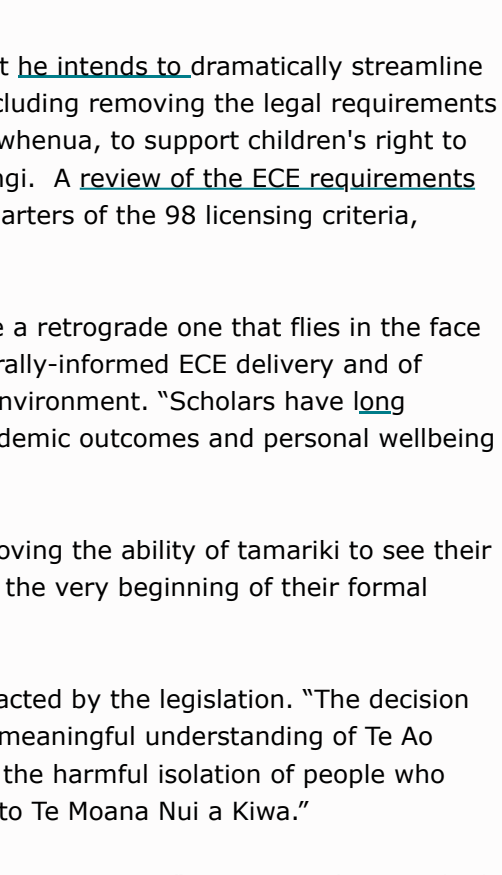
Arguments that some ECE's are private businesses and can do what they like, do not wash either. Mere says ECEs that receive public funding have a legal and moral duty to honour the nation's foundational agreements. "They cannot opt out arguing they are private businesses because that view fails to recognise their public responsibilities and their ethical duties to support an inclusive and equitable society. Public money comes with public responsibility. If you are educating tamariki/mokopuna in Aotearoa, you are part of the nation's Treaty promise. It's as simple as that."

"I want to draw on what Sir James Henare said to the Waitangi Tribunal in 1985, 'We've come too far, not to go further. We've done too much, not to do more.'" She believes this is a powerful rallying call for our advancement as Māori and for Treaty justice. "It's an on-going journey; strengthening our resolve, our commitment to Māori rights and the refusal to retreat in the face of current political posturing."

"In ECE, we strive for equitable outcomes for our tamariki. The Treaty is not a threat—it is both a promise and a premise: a promise affirming rangatiratanga Māori, with a premise grounded in honour and goodwill, guiding our collective journey, our Kotahitanga."

RANGAHAU | RESEARCH

A Place Called Home - More than Bricks and Mortar



Dr Tanya Allport

What is home? Is it a place, a feeling, or is it the people that you love? While having a home is fundamental to wellbeing, the definition of home is not always straightforward. With this in mind, Whakauae Research Services (WRS) set out to explore Māori understandings of home in a project led by Dr Tanya Allport (Te Ati Awa).

Tanya says their evidence-based approach to Māori perceptions of 'home' is valuable given the importance of housing as a kaupapa, and the lack of a clear definition of home. "Māori are a very diverse population; some are brought up in cities, some are rural. You can't have assumptions about what people think of as a home just because they are Māori. There is an assumption that everyone wants to live in papakāinga, so we wanted to talk to people to find out if this assumption was correct," she says.

The team talked to diverse whānau across five rohe, including those who were homeless, renters, homeowners and in social housing. They also talked to people working in housing provision, policy makers, designers, planners and local government.

They found that while basic needs are the same for everyone, people had different perceptions of home. "Everyone wanted a home that was safe, a home where they can look after their own space, where they can be autonomous within that space, and not have people telling them what to do. It didn't matter whether people aspired to live in a two-bedroom apartment or in a papakāinga near the marae, they all expressed the same needs from a home. These are desires for kaitiakitanga, rangatiratanga, manaakitanga. Housing security was also huge," says Tanya.

Those desires could be met in a range of settings. Some wanted to 'go home' to live rurally in papakāinga or near their marae. Others felt home was also in the cities and were making homes in a variety of ways and in diverse spaces, says Tanya.

"Some are doing a more contemporary version of papakāinga, where they are trying to live communally, but with people they choose, rather than people who they are related to. Rangatahi were creating elements within spaces to make themselves feel at home, and once they had this, that was home for them. Many people said spaces where kai can be shared with people outside their home were elements that created home. The concept of a home was not necessarily a place of bricks and mortar."

The research also showed people need to feel part of a community and to see their culture in their surrounding spaces. "However, those living in urban environments found it harder to see themselves reflected. People also talked about having two kainga - they had one home where they worked and one home where they grew up or had whanau relationships to," says Tanya.

Researchers were impressed with the innovative ways in which people created homes for others, but were concerned by a lack of connection and information sharing among different entities. "There is no point reinventing the wheel if it is already being done," says Tanya.

Off the back of their housing research project, WRS is hosting a symposium to highlight some of the amazing mahi that communities are leading. "A big approach of this research was not to focus on deficit narratives, but to share the positive things that are happening. Māori are just doing it for themselves and not waiting around for the Government to be involved, and we want to encourage people working in the housing area to start working collaboratively and build on what has been done."

What: Re-Imagining Māori and Home
Where: AUT City Campus
When: Thursday, 17 July, 2025
Tickets: https://events.humanitix.com/re-imagining-maori-and-home-a-symposium-on-home-and-housing
Website: https://www.kia-puawai.whakauae.co.nz/maori-and-home

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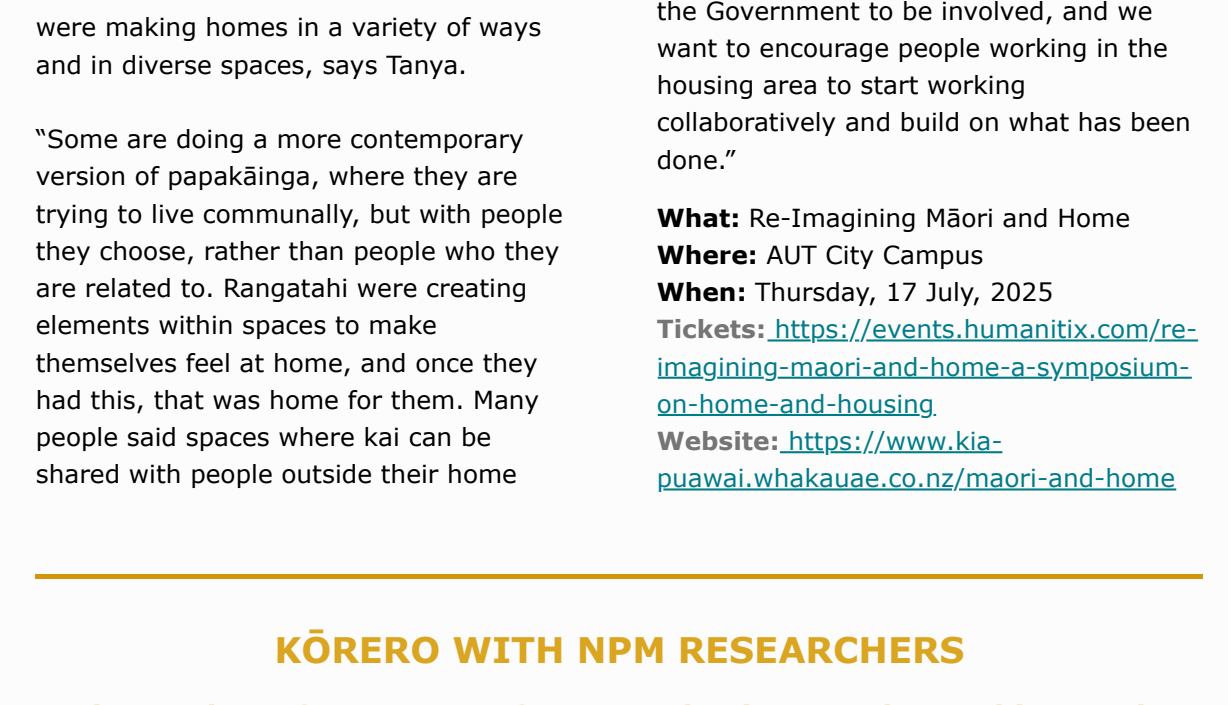
KŌRERO WITH NPM RESEARCHERS

Each month we feature one of our NPM lead researchers. This month our kōrero is with Dr Daniel Wilson who is NPM's new Pou Pae Auaha. Daniel is a lecturer of Computer Science at Waipapa Taumata Rau.



Lake Ōmāpere, the source of the Utakura river, from which Daniel has whakapapa.

Ko wai tō ingoa, nō whea koe?

He uri tēnei nō Ngāpuhi (Te Popoto) me Ngāti Pikiao (Ngāti Hinekura). Ko Daniel Wilson tōku ingoa. I was born in Te Whanganui-a-Tara, where my dad - of Irish and English ancestry - was in the police. Mum moved with my sister and me to Rotorua for pre-school, where my grandparents had a house. We then moved to Thames when I started school to be closer to my grandparents and then shifted around on dairy farms in the Hauraki Plains. We again followed my grandparents to Tāmaki Makaurau after I finished high school to find work and I have lived there for more than 25 years.

When I finished school at the end of 1997, I couldn't imagine dedicating three years to a degree. Nobody in my family had a degree back then. So my first job was in software development. It was at a time when you just needed to prove that you could code to get in. In 2007, I enrolled in a BA in philosophy and followed it through to a PhD in philosophy. I later completed a masters in data science and now lecture in computer science at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland.

What are your areas of research?

I am interested in the ethics and politics of digital technologies, particularly Artificial Intelligence. Māori data sovereignty and Māori algorithmic sovereignty are where I'm currently focused. I'm also interested in data confidentiality methods. My training in philosophy is good for analysing concepts and developing frameworks - sometimes called armchair philosophy - but I've learned that this has limitations and so my rangahau in more recent years involves more wānanga and thematic analysis.

What excites you about your work?

I feel really privileged to be an academic. There are many brilliant people with great ideas and aspirations in and around universities and their mahi is inspirational. When I was a new academic I was lucky to work on a report with Kiri West and Te Kotahi Research Institute about Māori perspectives on AI and much of the whakaaro and recommendations that came out of that wānanga continues to shape my thinking about where I ought to direct my attention.

I am a Tuākana coordinator for the School of Computer Science, where it is gratifying to work with Māori and Pacific tauira who are going to make an impact. We run a data and computing noho marae each year which brings together tauira, Tuākana alumni, and Māori in the tech industry and I always come away from these weekends hopeful of the future.

I have been privileged to be invited into a number of networks. Some are Māori networks, like Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and Te Mana Raraunga, and others are technology networks where Māori have banded together to create Māori spaces. I hope we can get more of a Māori presence in spaces where we can make an impact and also connect across these spaces.

Having said that, there is still a lot of mahi to be done for universities to work alongside Māori communities to support community aspirations. And while changing many things in a university can be difficult, I think it is an exciting challenge to do more to achieve this.

Our NPM vision is flourishing Māori futures. What does that mean for you?

When I was in my formative years, digital technology and the internet were viewed as tools for re-imagining and re-forming relationships and communities in ways that were different to mainstream society. At the time, that was a kind of anarchist idea. And over time, neoliberal ideology has come to dominate most of these spaces. But I believe there is still much potential for digital tech to empower iwi, hapū, and whānau; helping create shared futures connecting communities, supporting the use of te reo Māori, protecting the taiao, supporting hauora in all its dimensions, according to tikanga, and indigenising digital spaces more generally. I think this requires finding ways to support Māori innovators, develop Māori digital capability, create space to tutū safely and also to do Māori digital world-building in a deliberate and intentional way. There are already many inspiring Māori working on awesome initiatives. The question is how to support what's there and make space for more of this re-imagining of what is possible?

Lastly, can you tell us something surprising about you?

The majority of my postgraduate research was in the philosophy of art. This was not because I knew much about art; quite the opposite! Growing up around farms, foundries and computers meant that I really hadn't much exposure to art until I came to uni and I wanted to learn more. I feel really lucky to have had the opportunity to do this and I find myself applying many skills and ideas from that time to my mahi in digital technology today.

KANAPU

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Connections | Retention | Acceleration | Reverberation

Funded by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), Kanapu is a NPM initiative to support Māori talent and leadership across te ao Māori in research, science and innovation spaces.

Incoming Kanapu pouhere, Professor Poia Rewi with outgoing pouhere, Vanessa Clark.

Over the last few years Vanessa Clark and her Kanapu team have worked tirelessly to ignite flaxroots Māori talent and leadership in research, science and technology. The team has accomplished much over the past three years. They have established initiatives, created events and hosted wānanga aimed at encouraging hapori to undertake their own rangahau.

As Matariki heralds in new beginnings, NPM ushers in the change of leadership at Kanapu. For many years Vanessa has aspired to take up te reo immersion classes, and with the incoming New Year, she has decided the time is right to seize this opportunity. In her place, NPM is privileged to welcome former CE of Te Mātāwai and longtime NPM researcher, Dr Poia Rewi. We take this time to kōrero with Vanessa and Poia, reviewing the past few years and pondering what might lay ahead for Kanapu under Poia's guiding hand.

Q&A Vanessa Clark

What are you most proud of during your time at Kanapu? Why?

Flipping the script so that hapori Māori - our whānau, marae, hapū, iwi and organisations - lead out their rangahau and research aspirations and in a way that contributes to their economic prosperity. This means getting the foundations in place; capability building and growing connections between hapori Māori with institutions; universities, wānanga and CRIs (shortly to be PROs) – these large institutions which have enjoyed the research funding pūtea largesse.

What have you most enjoyed at Kanapu? Is there a specific highlight?

Our people. Given half a chance, our people are capable of anything. The inaugural Ngā Tohu Kanapu at Hui Hihiri 2025 shone a light on four individuals: Kaye-Maree Dunn, Anne-Marie Jackson, Jacqui Forbes and Peter-Lucas Jones. They are generous, selfless and take others with them. Each is paving the way across multiple spaces of technology, rangahau, environment and AI, challenging the status quo and for generations to come.

How is flax roots research important to Māori flourishing?

We often hear that Māori are one of the most researched populations in the world, however we also know that our people don't benefit directly or immediately – equitable access benefit sharing from research and commercialisation is not commonplace yet in Aotearoa. The fastest path to impact therefore, in my opinion, is through flax roots rangahau carried out by community-based kairangahau. They are closest to the action - possess mātauranga, kōrero tuku iho and have observed the natural order of things over time. They are also intergenerational thinkers - being impact-oriented means they are also more likely to benefit from the outcomes immediately.

Is there an area that you would like to see given more focus with the benefit of hindsight?

If anything, it will be communication. Amplifying the Kanapu suite of offerings and pathways for capability building a Māori workforce and accelerating opportunities for early career researchers. Telling our story and the stories of those Kanapu have encountered along the way. We have been the best kept secret and this needs to change.

With your insight after three years, what more needs to be done to get Māori researching?

That 'our people are used to doing things without money' when it comes to rangahau is hard to hear when there is a significant amount of public funding available annually. In Budget 2025, a new fund He Ara Whakakahihiko ($8.6M) was announced and it opens in August 2025. While a small fund, it is better than no funding.

To me, it is getting into the practice and habit of grant writing and applying for grants that will be the real game changer. Whether the start-up adage of one in ten succeeds is applicable to this space – I don't know – but getting into the practice of grant writing and persevering when you aren't successful. It's not always that the kaupapa is not fundable - it could and often does come down to the finest margins. We need to have fortitude and self-belief (be the Kanapu!) to apply again, and again, and again.

Q&A Poia Rewi

With your experience as CE of Te Mātāwai, is there something specific you have done there that will assist in your role at Kanapu?

I would like to think so. Te Mātāwai was 100% focused on kāinga, hapori, iwi, whānau. I still have the same focus and maintain the same passion for building our whānau capability and capacity in different areas. This includes understanding the research and funding environment, applying for and eventually procuring government and non-government funds to assist whānau in understanding rangakura. Kātahi te whakahikanga ahi ko tēnei.

My aim, with the support of MBIE, Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and Te Ngira, is to see an increase in opportunities for our whānau and communities in this area. Māori are resilient and agile - we can do it - we just need to believe we can, first and foremost. And those in power also need to believe we can. Vanguards in Māoridom - seen and unseen - have demonstrated that unfaltering belief, albeit with challenges of the time. E wai e taea te kupenga whīwhiwhi? E koe ia, e te hapori Māori!

How important is Kanapu to flax roots research and flourishing Māori futures?

I shy away from the term 'research' as this has academic loading hence my reference to 'rangakura' which is more inclusive of all the ways of being informed. Kanapu, in its short life, has already shown its potential. This is not to say only Kanapu can do this, but Kanapu has established a network and connections with the sole focus of enabling rangakura amongst Māori. Kanapu is now taking the second phase of supporting them through the application and procurements of rangakura funding, the ultimate goal being the development of activity to effect economic development.

How will you go about expanding the Kanapu mission to include more people to engage/be more impactful?

Our current thinking is less about direct expansion and more about maintaining support for the Māori communities who have been engaged through Kanapu over the past three years to reach their goals, which we aim to align to MBIE primary goals as well.

Is there some specific area of Kanapu that you would like to focus on when you start?

Kia kanapu te uira i te rangi - sharing the achievements of Kanapu to date is a key focus. This includes sharing the highlights of Kanapu activity alongside whānau who have been engaged. Vanessa's team in Kanapu and Aatea have done a great job setting the foundations to build off. In the current climate, we must also prepare to pivot and realign to the recent priorities announced by MBIE. This requires clear planning and appropriate resourcing, to ensure ongoing positive outcomes for Kanapu and its services to the communities. Kia rū te whenua i ngā hua.

FUTURE KANAPU EVENTS

KANAPU TŪHONO RAU TANGATA | MASTERCLASSES

These 2.5 hour classes (primarily in English) allow more time to explore important kaupapa for undertaking RRSIT-related mahi, whether that mahi is for whānau, hapū or iwi, academic studies or professional work. Here's what's in store:
2 July 2025: He Kura Nō Te Ao Atua with AATEA with Whare Kupenga-Keefe and Hinerangi Edwards

All Masterclasses are held on Wednesdays, 12:00-2:30 pm. Registration is essential.
Nau mai, haere mai!
Masterclass Registration: https://kanapu.maori.nz/masterclass/
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NGĀ MANAAKITANGA | OPPORTUNITIES

FULBRIGHT | NPM GRADUATE AWARD APPLICATIONS OPEN

The Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Graduate Award is for a promising Aotearoa graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research at a US institution in the field of indigenous development.

One award valued at up to US$50k (plus NZ$4k travel funding) is granted annually for up to one year of study or research in the US. Students undertaking multi-year Masters or PhD degrees have the opportunity to apply for additional funding of up to US$40k towards their second year of study.
For more information: https://fulbright.org.nz/study-in-the-united-states/awards-for-nz-graduate-students/fulbright-nga-pae-o-te-maramatanga-graduate-award/
Applications Close: 1st August, 2025

CENTRE FOR WORLD INDIGENOUS STUDIES CALL FOR PAPERS SPECIAL EDITION

Submissions are invited for a special 2026 edition of our Fourth World Journal (FWJ), which will focus on The Role of Women in Traditional Medicine. The issue will highlight diverse perspectives on women's roles in traditional medicine across cultures and regions, and we welcome submissions from a range of contributors—including researchers, activists, traditional knowledge holders, and healers.
This will be a two-part special issue:
January 2026 edition – Submission deadline: August 1, 2025
June 2026 edition – Submission deadline: January 1, 2026
For more information: https://www.cwis.org/fourth-world-journal/call-for-papers-special-edition/
Contact: fwj@cwis.org

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HOME AND HOUSING SYMPOSIUM

What: Re-Imagining Māori and Home
Where: AUT City Campus
When: Thursday, 17 July, 2025
Tickets: https://events.humanitix.com/re-imagining-maori-and-home-a-symposium-on-home-and-housing
Website: https://www.kia-puawai.whakauae.co.nz/maori-and-home

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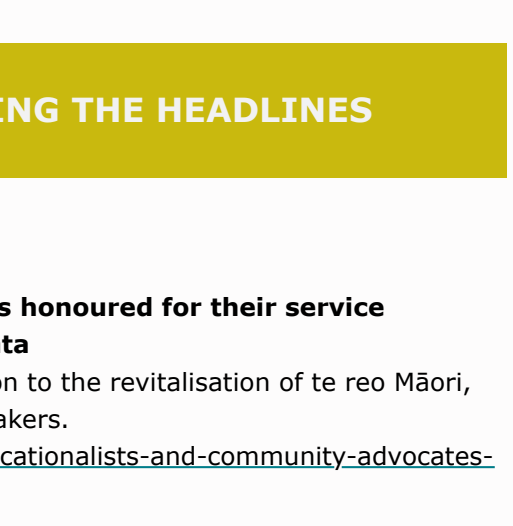
WEBINAR: PEER REVIEWING FOR FIRST NATIONS HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Hosted by Professor Karen Adams and Professor Catherine Chamberlain, the Editors and co-Editor-In-Chief of Lowitja Journal, this webinar takes a deep dive into the peer review of Indigenous health scholarship. The webinar will include an overview of the Lowitja Journal and author guidelines, the role of peer reviewer and benefits of reviewing, key steps in the reviewing process, examples of helpful and not so helpful reviews, specific considerations for the Lowitja Journal and links to further training. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions.

When: Wednesday 16th July,
Time: 12 noon (NZ)
Public registration link:
h https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gtJQeLDWRJSlYa8dgPSGpA

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCKHAM BOOK AWARDS CONGRATULATIONS!



Associate Professor Ngarino Ellis and Professor Deidre Brown with their award winning book, Toi Te Mana.

Bookhub Award for Illustrated Fiction: Toi Te Mana - **Deidre Brown** (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahu), **Ngarino Ellis** (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Porou) and Jonathan Mane-Wheoki (Ngāpuhi, Te Aupōuri, Ngāti Kurī)

General Non-Fiction Award: Hine Toa: A Story of Bravery - **Ngāhuia Te Awekōtuku** (Te Arawa, Tūhoe, Ngāpuhi, Waikato)

Hubert Church Prize for Fiction: Poorhara - **Michelle Rahurahu** (Ngāti Rahurahu, Ngāti Tahu–Ngāti Whaoa)

MĀORI RESEARCHERS HITTING THE HEADLINES

Te Ao Māori News
2 May
Māori educationalists and community advocates honoured for their service Professor Rāwinia Higgins and Heke-Turoa Huata
Receiving New Year Honours for decades of dedication to the revitalisation of te reo Māori, and the nurturing of future generations of Māori speakers.
https://www.teaonews.co.nz/2025/05/02/maori-educationalists-and-community-advocates-honoured-for-their-service/

E-Tangata
4 May
The building blocks of constitutional change: Dr Carwyn Jones
Making constitutional change means thinking less about the institutions of power we have now, and more about what values we'd like represented, writes Carwyn Jones.
https://e-tangata.co.nz/comment-and-analysis/the-building-blocks-of-constitutional-change/

RNZ
8 May
The small regulatory shift that could have big impacts on mokopuna Māori
Concerns about government moves to drastically change Early Childhood Education licensing requirements and what this might mean for tamariki
https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/in-depth/560288/the-small-regulatory-shift-that-could-have-big-impacts-on-mokopuna-maori

RNZ
13 May
Aotearoa needs to "up its game" when it comes to Māori women's health
Women's health expert Professor Bev Lawton ONZM says it is vital to improve the health inequities that acutely affect Māori women.
https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/te-manu-korihi/560772/health-inequities-for-maori-women-need-to-be-faced-nzer-of-the-year

RNZ
14 May
We need more writers who can just remember says Ockham winning wahine professor
NPM ruānuku Emeritus Professor Ngāhuia te Awekōtuku wins the General Non-Fiction Award for her memoir Hine Toa: A Story of Bravery at the 2025 Ockham New Zealand Book Awards.
https://www.rnz.co.nz/life/books/landmark-maori-art-history-book-wins-aotearoa-s-top-prize-for-illustrated-non-fiction

RNZ
16 May
Regulatory Standards Bill threatens Māori–Crown Relations
Eru Kapa-Kingi on the Waitangi Tribunal's report on the Regulatory Standards Bill and its finding that the Crown had breached Treaty principles.
https://www.teaonews.co.nz/2025/05/16/regulatory-standards-bill-threatens-maoricrown-relations/

One News
22 May
Legal experts have raised concerns about the Regulatory Standards Bill, dubbing it the Treaty Principles Bill "2.0".
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