

Thursday 2 April

Tēnā korua e ngā Tumuaki o Ngā Tauira Māori,

We acknowledge the impact recent events have had on you and the wider association, and we are here to support you to ensure Ngā Tauira Māori (NTM) prospers in future. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

we will be reviewing the following:

1. The enrolment status of NTM Executive members.
2. The use of university funds for the Katch-a-Māori event during the weekend of the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of March.
3. The alignment of NTM members' behaviour at this event with the values and te ao Māori principles of the University, the requirements of the student charter, code of conduct and University policies and procedures.

In accordance with the University of Auckland Official Recognition Principles (attached), these matters will be reviewed by members of the Club Support & Engagement Committee (CSEC) with the guidance of the Office of the Pro-Vice Chancellor Māori. During this time, the University's official recognition of NTM will be on hold to support NTM in reestablishing a governance and membership structure, principles and operating framework that align with its constitution and the University's policies and values as described above.

For this period no NTM events are to be delivered using University and/or Student Levy funds, in representation of the University or using the name "University of Auckland" or 'Waipapa Taumata Rau' or both. This includes any planned events such as Haerenga. Additionally, access to University resources and services such as rooms and equipment is not permitted during this period. However, so that activities for tauira Māori can continue to be offered, we invite NTM portfolio holders to discuss coordinating planned university-related events in collaboration with He Āhuru Mōwai, under the leadership and guidance of the Office of the Pro-Vice Chancellor Māori. We recognise the importance of Māori Graduation and can confirm that the Office of Pro-Vice Chancellor Māori will lead this event, in partnership with volunteers and/or portfolio holders, to ensure the celebration of graduates continues.

We are aware that the Complaint has been submitted to the Student Conduct Manager for investigation. This investigation will occur concurrently but separately to the review of official recognition status.

The University is committed to NTM and the role it serves in uplifting and supporting tauira Māori through tikanga and te ao Māori. We are therefore committed to supporting NTM to be able to attain reinstatement once any conditions required by CSEC, and the Office of the PVC Māori have been met. This will include the establishment of a new Memorandum of Understanding between the University and NTM.



The next steps we will take are as follows:

- Staff from He Āhuru Mōwai and PVC Māori will make contact with NTM Portfolio holders to initiate discussions regarding planned events for tauira Māori;
- The appropriate members of the Clubs Support & Engagement Committee will review the matters outlined above and respond with the required conditions and plan for reinstating official recognition.

We encourage you to take this time as an opportunity to prioritise your personal wellbeing. If you would like to discuss anything outlined in the letter further you can contact Gemma Skipper or Catherine Dunphy in the PVC Māori Office ([pvc.maori@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:pvc.maori@auckland.ac.nz)) or Christina Partridge, Student Engagement Manager ([christina.partridge@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:christina.partridge@auckland.ac.nz)).

Nā māua noa, nā

Dr Nicky Rawnsley

Associate Director, Student Engagement & Wellbeing