

ACCREDITATION REPORT:

UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO'S POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGY (CLINICAL) [PGDipPsych(Clin)]

Introduction:

It is a function of the New Zealand Psychologists Board to prescribe the qualifications required for scopes of practice within the profession, and, for that purpose, to accredit and monitor educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes [refer s 118(a) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003]. On 2 November 2011, the Board delegated its powers under section 118(a) of the Act to accredit educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes to the Accreditation Committee. Applications for accreditation are assessed with reference to the relevant sections of the Board's prescribed Standards and Procedures for the Accreditation of Qualifications Leading to Registration as a Psychologist in New Zealand document (current version).

Date of Application:

The University of Waikato lodged an application for re-accreditation of their Post Graduate Diploma in Psychology (Clinical) [**PGDipPsych(Clin)**] training programme with the Board on 1 March 2017.

Dates of Site Visit:

The site visit was conducted on 20-21 November 2017.

Date of Board Decision:

20 February 2020

Decision:

That the Accreditation Committee (operating under delegation);

Grant the University of Waikato's PGDipPsych(Clin) course of study accreditation
with reference to the Clinical Psychologist scope of practice, for a period of three
years extendable to seven years contingent on their first routine monitoring report
satisfactorily addressing the low staffing levels.

Accreditation current until:

30 November 2020

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Ann Connell, Committee Chair 28 February 2020

Update:

On 14th December 2020, the Accreditation Committee (under delegation) resolved to extend the accreditation of the University of Waikato's PGDipPsych(Clin) course of study to 30 November 2024.

Accreditation current until:

30 November 2024¹

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Elliot Bell, Committee Chair 28 January 2021

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¹ It should be noted that the Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.