



**Te Poari Kaimātai
Hinengaro o Aotearoa**

NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD

ACCREDITATION REPORT:

THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO'S POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY (COMMUNITY) [PGDipPracPsych (Comm)]

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* [the *Standards*] document (current version).

Date of Application:

The University of Waikato lodged an application for re-accreditation of their Postgraduate Diploma in the Practice of Psychology (Community) [PGDipPracPsych (Comm)], in November 2019.

Date of Site Visit:

The site visit was conducted by the appointed Assessment Team on 2-3 May 2022.

Date of Decision:

7 August 2023

Decision:

The Accreditation Committee (operating under delegation) has granted the University of Waikato's Postgraduate Diploma in the Practice of Psychology (Community) course of study accreditation with reference to the Psychologist scope of practice for a period of seven-years until 31 October 2030.

Accreditation current until:

31 October 2030.¹

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

A blue ink signature of Gina Giannios, written in a cursive style.

Gina Giannios
Pouroki Tuarua/Deputy Registrar

¹ The Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted provisional accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.