



**Te Poari Kaimātai  
Hinengaro o Aotearoa**

NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD

## **ACCREDITATION DECISION:**

### **MASSEY UNIVERSITY'S POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY [PGDipEdDevPsych]**

#### **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:**

Massey University lodged an application for accreditation of their Post Graduate Diploma in Educational Psychology on 02 April 2015.

#### **Dates of Site Visits:**

The site visits were conducted by the appointed Assessment Team on 9 & 10 February 2016.

#### **Date of Decision:**

15 February 2017.

#### **Decision:**

Massey University's PGDipEdPsych course of study has been granted accreditation in reference to the Educational Psychologist scope of practice for an initial period of 2 years, extendable to 7 years if a full report submitted before the end of the initial period satisfies the Accreditation Committee that the following standards (as described in the January 2016 version of the Board's Accreditation Standards and Procedures) are being met;

- 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.2.1, 2.4.1, 2.5.2, 2.5.3, 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.1.4, 4.1.2, 5.1.1, 5.2.1, 6.1.2, 6.2.5, 6.2.6, 6.2.7, 6.2.8, 7.3.1.

#### **Accreditation current until:**

15 February 2019.

**NOTE:** On 11 January 2017 the Board were advised by Massey University that this course of study had undergone certain updates and changes to its structure and content, and had subsequently been renamed the *Post Graduate Diploma in Educational and Developmental Psychology* (PGDipEdDevPsych). The current accreditation applies to this programme under its new name, pending any further assessment that may be required.

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,



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Steve Osborne, Committee Chair  
16 February 2017

**Update:**

On 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 the Accreditation Committee (under delegation) resolved to extend the accreditation of Massey University's PGDipEdDevPsych course of study to 15 February 2024.

**Accreditation current until:**

15 February 2024<sup>1</sup>

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,



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Ann Connell, Committee Chair  
14 April 2020

**Update:**

At its meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the accreditation of the Postgraduate Diploma in Educational and Developmental Psychology training programme delivered by Massey University until **30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**.

This will allow the Board to ensure a full accreditation process has been completed and that in the meantime the training programme is still accredited in order to continuing teaching the interns.

On behalf of the Board,



Gina Giannios  
Pouroki Tuarua - Deputy Registrar

19 January 2024

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

**Update:**

At its meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the accreditation of the Postgraduate Diploma in Educational and Developmental Psychology training programme delivered by Massey University until **30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**.

This will allow the Board to ensure a full accreditation process has been completed and that in the meantime the training programme is still accredited in order to continuing teaching the interns.

On behalf of the Board,



Gina Giannios  
Pouroki Tuarua - Deputy Registrar

18 December 2024