Te Poari Kaimātai Hinengaro o Aotearoa
NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD

ACCREDITATION REPORT:

MASSEY UNIVERSITY
POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL PRACTICE
(PGDipPsychPrac)

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:

Massey University of Wellington lodged a submission to gain accreditation for the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychological Practice (PGDipPsychPrac), in March 2023, with a view to graduates being eligible to register in the Psychologist scope of practice. The Accreditation Committee considered the submission in regard to provisional accreditation.

Date of Decision:

8 May 2023

Decision:

Massey University's PGDipPsychPrac course of study has been granted provisional accreditation with graduates eligible to apply for registration in the Psychologist scope of practice. In accordance with the *Standards*, a full accreditation assessment, including a site visit by a Board-appointed Assessment Team, will occur once the first cohort of students is eligible for graduation, anticipated to be in January 2025.

Provisional Accreditation current until:

31 May 2025.[1]

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Gina Giannios
Pouroki Tuarua/Deputy Registrar

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

Update:

At its meeting on 16th June 2025, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the provisional accreditation of the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychological Practice (PGDipPsychPrac), training programme delivered by Massey University until 30th November 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 continue teaching the interns.

On behalf of the Board,



Gina Giannios
Pouroki Tuarua – Deputy Registrar
24 June 2025

Update:

At its meeting on 15th December 2025, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the provisional accreditation of the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychological Practice (PGDipPsychPrac), training programme delivered by Massey University until 30th June 2026.

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 continue teaching the interns.

On behalf of the Board,



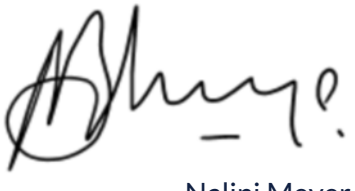
Gina Giannios
Pouroki Tuarua – Deputy Registrar
17 December 2025

Update:

At its meeting of the 15 June 2026, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the provisional accreditation of the **Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Practice** training programme delivered by Massey University Palmerston North until 30 November 2026.

This allows the Board to ensure that the full accreditation process has been completed and that in the meantime the training programme is still accredited to continue teaching interns.

On behalf of the Board,



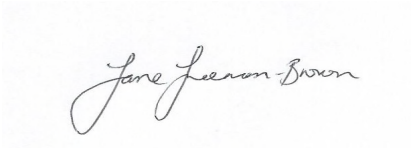
Nalini Meyer
Pouraki Tuarua – Deputy Registrar and Legal Counsel
23 June 2026

Update:

At its meeting on 21 October 2026, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend the provisional accreditation of the **Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Practice** training programme delivered by Massey University Palmerston North until 30 August 2027.

This allows the Board to ensure that the full accreditation process has been completed and that in the meantime the training programme is still accredited to continue teaching interns.

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,



Jane Freeman-Brown
Pouroki Tuarua - Deputy Registrar

5 November 2026