



**Te Poari Kaimātai
Hinengaro o Aotearoa**

NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD

ACCREDITATION REPORT:

TE WHARE WANANGA O WAIKATO / UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO'S POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY (APPLIED BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS) [PGDipPracPsych (ABA)]

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:

Te Whare Wananga o Waikato/ University of Waikato lodged an application for re-accreditation of their Post Graduate Diploma in the Practice of Psychology (Applied Behaviour Analysis) [PGDipPracPsych (ABA)] training programme with the Board on 24 August 2023.

Dates of Site Visit:

The site visit was conducted on 23 October 2024.

Date of Decision:

21 July 2025

Decision:

That the Accreditation Committee (operating under delegation) has granted Te Whare Wananga o Waikato /University of Waikato's PGDipPracPsych (ABA) course of study accreditation with reference to the Psychologist scope of practice, for a period of three years from 30 June 2025 until 30 June 2028 with a 1-year report due on 30 June 2026, with the option for a further 4 years (until June 2032) after consideration of the report.

Accreditation current until:

30 June 2028.¹

On behalf of the Board,

Gina Giannios
Pouroki Tuarua - Deputy Registrar

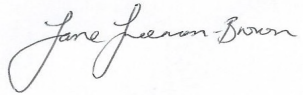
¹ It should be noted that the Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.

Update:

At its meeting on the 14 September 2026, after consideration of the programme's 1-year report, the Accreditation Committee resolved to extend accreditation of the **Post Graduate Diploma In The Practice Of Psychology (Applied Behaviour Analysis)** training programme delivered by the University of Waikato until 30 June 2032.

Two and four year routine reports will be due in 2028 and 2030.

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jane Freeman-Brown". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Jane Freeman-Brown
Pouroki Tuarua - Deputy Registrar
30 September 2026