

Quality Advancement

Quality Forum

Māori university participation, completion and success:

a discussion on the findings from research from the University of Otago's National Centre for Lifecourse Research (NCLR).

Overview:

Goal five of the University of Otago Māori Strategic Framework centres on Te Taumate Angitu Māori: Māori Student Success. A recently released research publication emanating from the National Centre for Lifecourse Research (NCLR) sheds some light on which factors can support or hinder the university success of Māori students.

Māori university graduates describe whānau (family) support as the top factor that helped them to complete their qualifications, while family responsibilities and commitments made completion of their studies more difficult.

The findings are from the Graduate Longitudinal Study New Zealand (GLSNZ), an ongoing project that, over a 10-year period, will investigate the employment, health and social outcomes of more than 8,700 graduates from all eight New Zealand universities.

"To support Māori to succeed at higher levels in tertiary education, ongoing work is required to reduce and remove existing barriers to their university completion," says lead author and NCLR Co-Director, Dr Reremoana (Moana) Theodore.

This research was supported by the Tertiary Education Commission, Ministry for Women's Affairs and Ministry of Education.

University of Otago staff are invited to hear about these findings and to reflect on the implications of the research on how they can best contribute to the university success of Māori students.

Convenor:

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Presenters:

Dr Reremoana (Moana) Theodore
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Those attending will have an opportunity to ask questions to the research team.

Tuesday 23 May 2017
3.30pm to 5pm
St Margaret's College, Valentine Room
Tea/coffee will be provided after the Forum
RSVP to jacqueline.fraser@otago.ac.nz required



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