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Background to the Pacific Strategic Framework

The University of Otago Pacific Strategic Framework 2022-2030 (PSF) was endorsed by the University of Otago Council in October 2022. This document builds on the foundational work undertaken as part of the first framework and is another significant milestone for the University's longstanding commitment to meeting the needs of Pacific Peoples¹. The Pacific Strategic Framework identifies five over-riding goals, supported by strategies and a comprehensive action plan. It encompasses the University's engagement with all Pacific peoples, within Aotearoa New Zealand and into the Pacific regions, with a focus on equity, inclusivity, and responsiveness. The Pacific Strategic Framework supports decision making and developments that promote improved rates of access, retention, and qualification completion among students of indigenous Pacific descent and positions this institution as a university for and in the Pacific. The Framework will also catalyse further activities and measures in support of University of Otago Pacific staff. Realising the Goals and actions within the Pacific Strategic Framework requires a whole of University approach. To support departments in incorporating implementation of the Pacific Strategic Framework into their future planning, we have provided some prompts.

PSF Prompts for Departmental Reviews

1. Do you know what the five goals of the University's PSF are?
2. What is the Divisional response to the PSF?
3. In what ways does your department contribute to your Divisional PSF Plan?
4. What range of initiatives, projects and/or activities exist in your department which contribute directly to any of the goals and actions which support the five PSF goals?
5. How can your department meaningfully support the five PSF goals in the future?
 - Building Pacific capability and leadership
 - Growth and development of Pacific students and Pacific staff
 - Growth and development of Pacific research
 - Pacific content, perspectives, and pedagogy in curriculum development
 - Professional development in Pacific cultural awareness and cultural competencies
 - Relationship development / partnerships and Pacific community engagement
 - Dedicated marketing and promotions of specialised Pacific programmes to Pacific communities and stakeholders.

Click this [link](#) to access the digital version of the PSF 2022-30.

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¹ The term 'Pacific Peoples' used here is as defined by Statistics NZ Census Guidelines for Ethnicity identification.