Terrific membership support

UACEL in its first year aimed to reach 320 members. 443 of you are now members! Thank you for your terrific support. Membership is for 12 months from date of joining.

Free 2009 UACEL seminar podcasts

Podcasts and select resources are now available for you from UACEL seminars presented by Graeme Aitken, Geoff Southworth, Helen Timperley and Tony Townsend.

Watch out for great prizes

Congratulations to you our lucky prize winners:
Robyn Brownlee, Whangaparoa College, Auckland was the winner in the UACEL members special draw, winning a free UACEL seminar for two people and a signed copy of Visible Learning by John Hattie.

Lisa Teokotai, Clive Street Kindergarten, Tokoroa was the winner in the UACEL Open-to-Learning Conversations seminar participants draw, winning a signed copy of the new book Professional Learning Conversations edited by Helen Timperley and Lorna Earl.

Margaret Egan, Tauranga Girls College was the winner in the UACEL seminar Thinking Differently About Educational Leadership, winning a copy of A Very Short, Fairly Interesting and Reasonably Cheap Book About Studying Leadership, edited by Brad Jackson and Ken Parry.

Come to our final UACEL 2009 seminar

The response to the 2009 UACEL seminars has been fantastic. Thank you! Almost 650 of you have attended these seminars in Auckland, Rotorua or Christchurch. John Hattie’s seminar Visible Learning: what actually works in schools to improve learning in Auckland Wednesday 21 October is fully booked. However there are still places available in Christchurch on Thursday 22 October.

There is plenty to celebrate

UACEL will be officially launched on Wednesday 4th November at The University of Auckland. This date has been planned to coincide with the Ministry of Education’s official launch of the eagerly awaited Best Evidence Synthesis: Educational Leadership by lead author Professor Viviane Robinson (UACEL Academic Director) and the availability of special guest Michael Fullan. Invited guests will receive invitations at the end of September.

Prestigious award for UACEL Academic Director

Professor Viviane Robinson (UACEL Academic Director) was presented with the prestigious annual William J Davis Award at the recent American Educational Research Association conference in San Diego. Her article The Impact of Leadership on Student Outcomes: an analysis of the differential effects of leadership types co-authored with Claire Lloyd and the late Kenneth Rowe was chosen as the most outstanding article in the 2008 issues of Education Administration Quarterly.

Experienced Principals Development Programme (EPD@UACEL) launched

This month has seen the successful launch in Whangarei and Auckland by UACEL of the EPD programme funded by the Ministry of Education. A full complement of 95 principals are participating in the UACEL 18 month programme, the largest in the overall national pilot. Margaret Bendall (EPD@UACEL Director) says, "UACEL is privileged and proud to be working with these principals, and greatly looks forward to delivering the programme through to the end of 2010".

2010 programme coming to you soon

Planning for the UACEL 2010 programme is underway. Lead national and international seminar presenters are being confirmed, and new initiatives developed with you in mind. The 2010 programme will be widely distributed and publicised before the end of this year.
Proudly introducing you to the inaugural UACEL Board

The inaugural UACEL Board has been appointed and met twice.

The Board is chaired by:

- **Associate Professor Graeme Aitken**, Dean, Faculty of Education, The University of Auckland.

Board members are:

- **Kevin Ackhurst** (General Manager, Microsoft NZ)
- **Owen Alexander** (Immediate Past President, Auckland Primary Principals Association; Principal of Takapuna Normal Intermediate School)
- **Steve Bovaird** (President, Auckland Secondary Principals Association; Principal of Lynfield College)
- **Professor Carol Cardno** (Head of Education Department, Unitec)
- **David Eddy** (ex officio; Executive Director, UACEL)
- **Joline Francoeur** (Director of Leadership Programmes, New Zealand Leadership Institute:Excelerator, Business School, The University of Auckland)
- **Sandie Gusscott** (Senior Business Manager, Arts and Education, Auckland UniServices Limited)
- **Camilla Highfield** (Director, School Support Services, Faculty of Education, The University of Auckland)
- **Dr Margie Hohepa** (Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Education, The University of Auckland)
- **Professor Viviane Robinson** (UACEL Academic Director, Faculty of Education, The University of Auckland).

You are welcome to contact us

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Thank you for your commitment to leading and learning.

David Eddy,
Executive Director
The University of Auckland Centre for Educational Leadership