Māori, Pacific & Indigenous Psychology

Looking Ahead?
If you want to do postgraduate study in this area, the following undergraduate courses contain Māori, Pacific & Indigenous content:

- PSYCH 108
- PSYCH 204
- PSYCH 208
- PSYCH 311
- PSYCH 318
- PSYCH 319
- PSYCH 320

Postgraduate Courses
Māori, Pacific and Indigenous content is featured within:

- PSYCH 717: Community Psychology

Māori & Pacific Psychology Research Group (MPPRG)
The MPPRG is a student-led initiative to provide leadership, inspiration and support to Māori, Pacific and Indigenous postgraduate research students in psychology.
http://www.psych.auckland.ac.nz/uaa/home/about/our-research/research-groups/Māori-and-Pacific-research-group

The Psychology and Social Issues Group (PSI)
The PSI is a staff-led initiative to support research that engages social justice, theory and praxis in psychology.

Psychology Tuakana Programme
Many of our postgraduate students are Tuakana mentors and tutors, including co-ordinators: Atua
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Māori, Pacific, and Indigenous psychologies attend to the development of Indigenous knowledges, theories and practices that are responsive to the realities of Indigenous lives in colonising contexts. We draw upon Indigenous methodologies and synthesised psychological frameworks within social, critical and clinical domains of psychology. There are wider interdisciplinary intersections with:

- Psychology & social justice
- Critical qualitative and quantitative research
- Societal psychologies, migrant, refugee, cultural and identity studies

Honours research supervision
A number of staff supervise postgraduate research that is focused on Māori, Pacific and/or other Indigenous topics, including:

- Māori youth homelessness
- Pacific identity and wellbeing
- Media representations of Māori women and sexuality
- Pākehā resistance to dominant discourses about Waitangi day
- Occupational justice for Samoan trans women
- Cook Island understandings of gender and sexuality
- Samoan language and aphasia
- Participative, collaborative, and action research

Māori and Indigenous Psychologies staff
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Honours graduates in this area have gone on to work in a variety of areas including research, education, health promotion, advocacy, care and case management, youth work, and community development within not-for-profit community agencies, universities.

With further postgraduate study in research, clinical or applied psychology training, graduates have gone on to work in social work, journalism, government departments, district health boards, schools and local councils.
Recent Staff Publications:

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**General enquiries** about postgraduate study in Psychology, regulations and enrolment should be directed to: scifac@auckland.ac.nz

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