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Ahorangi hou hei whakatipu ake i ngā kaupapa Māori me ngā āheitanga rangahau lwi taketake

Kei te harikoa te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi ki te whakapaoho atu ē toru ngā Ahorangi hou kua whakaritea:

Kua tohua a Ahorangi Tā Wiremu Te Rangiua “Pou” Temara, KNZM ki te tūranga Ahorangi mō ngā Kaupapa Māori me Ahorangi Linda Tuhiwai Smith CNZM ki te tūranga Taiea Ahorangi – Āheitanga Rangahau me te Mātauranga i te Wānanga me Tākuta Alison Green, ki te tūranga Ahorangi ki roto i te Kura Indigenous Graduate Studies.

E kī ana te Kaiwhakahaere Matua o Awanuiārangi, a Ahorangi Wiremu Doherty, he hōnore nui tēnei mo te Wānanga ki te whiwhi e toru ngā tohunga mātauranga, ki waenga i a tātou.

Ē ai kia Ahorangi Doherty, “he tohunga a Tā Pou Temara mo te Reo Māori, ngā āhuetanga Māori me ōna tikanga, he matatau ki te Ao Māori me ōna pekanga katoa – ka harikoa ake ki te tūranga ngākau pono ka kawea ē ia i Awanuiārangi”.

He tūranga whai tikanga ka kawea e Ahorangi Smith, ki te hautū whakaaro, ka kōkiri i ngā āheitanga o ngā lwi Taketake huri noa i te Ao, he maha hoki tana tuku i ōna mātauranga ki te hāpori rangahau i roto o Aotearoa, ana ki te whakawhanake i ngā Māori me nga hāpori lwi – kaore e kore ka puta tētahi āhuetanga nui mai i ā ia, i te wā e rapu ana ki te whakakawhānui atu i te aheitanga o ā mātou rangahau.”

E ai ki a Ahorangi Doherty, “he maha ngā mātauranga o Ahorangi Green ki te āhua o te whakamahi i te mātauranga Māori me te mātauranga iwi taketake, ngā reo, me ngā tikanga ē tāea ai e ā tātou tauira te whiriwhiri huarahi mō ētahi o ngā pēhitanga kei waenga i ngā hāpori Māori o Aotearoa me ngā hāpori lwi taketake huri noa i te Ao, ana kei hea mai, i tēnei taukoto nui ki te kaupapa.”

Whakararau tikanga Māori ki roto i ngā ture o Aotearoa me te kōkiri tohungatanga mo tēnei ao hurihuri

Ko tētahi wāhanga o te mahi ā Tā Pou Temara ki Awanuiārangi, ka mahi ia me ngā kaimahi mātauranga, ngā tiati me ngā rōia, ki te hanga i tētahi hōtaka ako, me te akoranga e whakararau ana i ngā tikanga Māori ki roto i ngā ture o ngā Kōti o Aotearoa.

Ka whakamārama a Tā Pou Temara, “he hōtaka tino whakahirahira tēnei ana he āhuetanga ahurei mo te wānanga – ka akohia ki Awanuiārangi, ana ko tōna kaupapa, ka hāngai ki ngā Tiāti o ngā taumata katoa o te kōti me ngā rōia”.

Kei te āwhina anō hoki a Tā Pou Temara ia Awanuiārangi ki te whakawhanake i tētahi hui taumata tohunga, ka tū i ngā marama tata nei.

“Ma te whakawhāiti mai i te mātauranga me ngā hua ka puta i taua hui taumata, he mea nui tonu ki te whakakaupapa i tētahi tītohu i roto i ngā āhuetanga o te tohungatanga i tēnei wā.”

Ē kī ana a Tā Pou Temara, ka tāpiri atu tēnei tūranga hou me ōna painga, ki ngā hōtaka maha, e whakahaeretia nei i Awanuiārangi.

Ē ai kia Tā Pou Temara, “mā ēnei momo whanaketanga e āwhina a Awanuiārangi kia mau pūmau hei whare wānanga matua mo te mātauranga Māori ki roto o Aotearoa, ana ko taku kōrero ki ngā tauira e hīkaka ana ki te whakawhānui i ō rātou mōhio i roto i ēnei āhuatanga, kia matārā mo te ohore.”

Whakawhānui i ngā āheitanga rangahau

Ē ai ki te tūranga Ahorangi – Āheitanga Rangahau me te Mātauranga, ka aronui atu a Ahorangi Smith kite whakakaha ake i ngā kaupapa rangahau kua takoto kē i Awanuiārangi, me te rapu huarahi ē āhei ai ki te ārahi atu ki i te tiketiketanga o te rangahau, hāngai tonu ki te Rautaki Rangahau a te Wānanga.

“Ē hīkaka ana ia ki te āwhina i te Wānanga ki te whakawhānui atu i ana āheitanga rangahau, ki te taha o tērā tohunga i a Ahorangi Te Kani Kingi, Kaiwhakahaere Rangahau, Kaupapa Auaha hoki.

Ē kī ana a Ahorangi Smith, “kei te mōhio mātou kei kōnā anō ētahi wāhi ka tāea e Awanuiārangi te tū pakari ki te ārahi i roto i te rangahau mātauranga, ana kia mōhio hoki ki ō tatou whēako i roto i te rangahau mātauranga Māori me te ako, me ngā hononga ki ō tātou whānau, hapu, iwi me te hāpori, kia whakarangatiratia rātou, he wairua Motuhake kei tēnei Wānanga.”

Mā te mahi tahi, ka whakakao mai i aua wheako, ngā mahi o te Wānanga, me ngā āheitanga angitu a te Wānanga, ana ka whakahāngai ki ngā wawata ā ngā iwi me ngā hāpori, ngā kaimahi me ngā tauira.”

Ka whakamārama a Ahorangi Smith i tana tūranga hou, he mahi me ngā pūmanawa, āheitanga angitu, me te whanaungatanga i waenga o Awanuiārangi, kia tipu ake te pito mata o te Wānanga.

“Kotahi tau ki mua, ko taku wawata, kite titiro whakamuri, ka kite atu i ngā kaimahi rangahau e puāwai ana, kua piki ki tētahi atu taumata, kua tīmata te whakakotahi atu me ētahi rōpū rangahau, e aronui ana ki ngā take nui o te wā, e kitea, e rongohia ana, i roto i te hāpori rangahau.”

Ka anga whakamua te titiro ki te mahi a te rangatahi o Aotearoa i roto i te ao rangahau, e ai kia Ahorangi Smith, he wāhanga nui kei reira mo ngā rangatahi ki te matapaki, ki te wānanga i ngā whakaaro me ngā wawata e whakahīkaka ana i ā rātou.

E kī ana ia, “ko ngā kaupapa auaha, me te matakite e ahu pēhea ana, kei i ā rātou – ko tā mātou mahi i konei, he whakarite atu ia rātou me ngā mātauranga, ngā tikanga, ngā pukenga, ngākau pono me te āwhina atu kia eke ki te taumata angitu.

Kaupapa Māori Rangahau – He wāhanga matua o te Ao o te wānanga

I roto i te tūranga hou, Ahorangi i Awanuiārangi, ka hāngai te titiro a Ahorangi Green ki te ārahi i ngā kaupapa rangahau hou, ka ako me te tautoko i ngā tauira o roto i te hōtaka Tohu Kairangi Tohungatanga, ki te whakamātau i te Kaupapa Rangahau Māori i takea mai i te tauira me te hāpori, me te tautoko anō hoki i ngā tauira a Awanuiārangi ō Hawaii me te tuawhenua o Amerika i te wā e whakamātautia ana rātou mē o rātou tohu kairangi,

Ka ana whakamua te titiro a Ahorangi Green ki te āwhina ki te whakapiki i te huringa o te rangahau ē kawea nei i Awanuiārangi. Ka mahi ia ki te taha o te Māngai o te Kura, a Ahorangi Mera Penehira, me te Kaiwhakahaere Mana Hautū Rangahau me te Auaha, a Ahorangi Te Kani Kingi.

E kī ana a Ahorangi Green, “ kei te hiahia ngā hāpori Māori me ngā hāpori iwi taketake ki te rangahau me ngā whakataunga e tautoko ana i ā rātou tikanga me ō rātou whakaaro me te whakatau i ngā raruraru e hāngai ana ki a rātou.

“Tāpiri mai ki ēnei, ko te whakaora ake i ngā mātauranga Māori mē ngā mātauranga iwi taketake, ngā reo me ōna tikanga: te whakahoki mai i ngā whenua me ngā taimoana mā ngā hāpori Māori me ngā hāpori iwi taketake ē tiaki me te mana mā tātou anō e whakatakoto te hauora me te oranga mō ā tatou tamariki.”

E kī ana a Ahorangi Green, “tata ki te katoa o ngā taura Māori me ngā taura iwi takeke e whakapōtaitia ana i kōrero atu au, ē korero ana mo ō rātou tupuna me ō rātou kai ārahi ā-iwi i whawhai kia pai ai te noho o ā rātou whakatupuranga, me te mōhio anō koinei ā rātou wawata ka hoe atu ka hoe mai ki Aotearoa.”

Ko te hōtaka Tohu Kairangi Tohungatanga i whakatūhia kia pai ai, pērā tonu i ō tātou tupuna, te tū pakari o ā tātou taura, ka whakamahi i ngā mātauranga Māori me te mātauranga iwi taketake, me ngā kōrero taunaki, kātahi ka takahi ki tonā tiketike mo te painga i ngā tau ē tū mai ana.

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About Sir William Te Rangiuā "Pou" Temara, KNZM

Of Ngāi Tūhoe, Sir Pou has been a member of the Waitangi Tribunal since 2008 and is currently chair of the Repatriation Advisory Panel at Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa. He is a member of the Tūhoe Waikaremoana Māori Trust Board, chair of Te Hui Ahurei a Tūhoe, and is on Kingi Tuheitia's 'Council of Twelve.' He was the presenter of Kōrero Mai, Television New Zealand's first Māori language series, and is a director of the Māori unit for Radio New Zealand and appears in many Waka Huia series as an expert commentator on historical affairs. In the 2016 Queen's Birthday Honours, Temara was appointed a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit, for services to Māori and education. In the 2021 New Year Honours, he was promoted to Knight Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit. Sir Pou was previously Associate Professor and Head of Faculty, Mātauranga Māori, at Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangī before accepting a Professorship at The University of Waikato. He was also the officiating tohunga at the opening of the wānanga in 1992, and again, in 2012, at the opening of the new buildings. In 2013, Professor Temara received an Honorary Doctorate of Philosophy (Hon Causa) in Māori Development from Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangī.

About Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith, CNZM

Of Ngāti Awa, Ngāti Porou, and Tūhourangi, Distinguished Professor Smith was one of the first Māori woman to be appointed a Fellow of the New Zealand Royal Society in 2016. In the 2013 New Year Honours, Smith was appointed a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Māori and education. In 2017, Smith was selected as one of the Royal Society Te Apārangi's "150 women in 150 words", celebrating the contributions of women to knowledge in New Zealand. She has also been a recipient of the Prime Minister's Lifetime Achievement Award in Education, and an Honorary Doctorate in Canada. She has been appointed to several significant organisations, including the Waitangi Tribunal, the Māori Economic Development Board and the Marsden Fund, and was recently elected as an honorary member of the American Academic of Arts and Sciences. She is the author of well-known Indigenous studies book, Decolonizing Methodologies: Research and Indigenous People.

About Professor Alison Green

Of Ngāti Pūkeko, Ngāti Hokopū, and Ngāi Tamarawaho, Professor Green holds a PhD in Māori Cultural Studies/Tikanga Māori (2018), a Master of Māori and Pacific Development with First Class Honours (2011), and a Post-graduate Diploma in Māori and Pacific Development with Distinction (2007). She was awarded a Misiweskamik Indigenous Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship from the University of Saskatchewan, Canada in 2019, and a University of Waikato Doctoral Scholarship in 2012. Since 2019, she has been teaching at the Department of Indigenous Studies at the University of Saskatchewan, and is currently Chief Executive of Te Whāriki Takapou, a kaupapa Māori organisation providing Māori sexual and reproductive health promotion, research, and policy and advisory services.

About Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi

Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi provides students with a unique opportunity to learn based on the values of āhuetanga Māori according to tikanga Māori – where Māori knowledge and practices are key components of the academic programmes, teaching delivery and student experiences.

Founded in Whakatāne in 1992 by Ngāti Awa and officially registered as a Wānanga in 1997 under s162 of the Education Act 1989, Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi is the only wānanga that delivers programmes from foundation studies through to Doctorates of Philosophy. This accent on higher qualifications is captured in the title, using the term “Whare” to describe this institution as a higher house of learning, similar to the ancient Whare Wānanga academies.

Today, with campuses in Whakatāne, Auckland and Whangārei, the vision of Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi is to encourage and enable its more than 5,900 students, including indigenous Doctoral students from Washington state and Hawaii, to “pursue knowledge to the greatest depths and its broadest horizons,” and make a difference to communities in New Zealand, and internationally.