



ACCREDITATION REPORT:

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY (PGDipCounsPsych)

Introduction:

It is a function of the New Zealand Psychologists Board to prescribe the qualifications required for scopes of practice within the profession, and, for that purpose, to accredit and monitor educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes [refer s 118(a) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003]. On 2 November 2011 the Board delegated its powers under section 118(a) of the Act to accredit educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes to the Accreditation Committee. Applications for accreditation are assessed with reference to the relevant sections of the Board's prescribed *Standards and Procedures for the Accreditation of Qualifications Leading to Registration as a Psychologist in New Zealand* document (current version).

Date of Application:

Auckland University of Technology (AUT) lodged an application for accreditation of their Post Graduate Diploma in Counselling Psychology (PGDipCounsPsych) on 4 February 2016.

Dates of Site Visits:

The site visits were conducted by the appointed Assessment Team on 27 and 28 October 2016.

Date of Decision:

19 February 2018.

Decision:

AUT's PGDipCounsPsych course of study has been granted accreditation in reference to the Psychologist scope of practice for a period of two years. A tailored re-assessment (including site visit) will then take place, with a primary focus on the following accreditation standards and any related requirements:

- 1.1.2, 2.1.1, 2.4.3, 3.1.4, 5.2.1, and 6.2.6

Accreditation current until:

19 February 2020.¹

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Frances Hamilton
Committee Chair

8 March 2018

¹ The Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.

Update:

At its meeting on 16th & 17th December 2020 the Board resolved to extend the accreditation of the Postgraduate Diploma in Counselling Psychology training programme delivered by Auckland University of Technology until 19th August 2021.

This will allow the Board to ensure a full accreditation process has been completed and that in the meantime the training programme is still accredited in order to continuing teaching the interns.

On behalf of the Board,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kylie Hooper', written in a cursive style.

Kylie Hooper
General Manager/Registrar

15 February 2021