

New Zealand Psychological Society 50th Jubilee

Highlights from our bicultural journey

1989: NZPsS Annual General Meeting remit

(tabled by selected psychology department staff members at the University of Waikato):

The NZPsS in acknowledgement of the Treaty of Waitangi and in negotiation with Māori people, use the resources and knowledge available within its membership and discipline to facilitate the training of more Māori psychologists.



Professor Linda Smith

Annual Conference Keynote Address – Professor Linda Smith the first Māori keynote speaker.

‘On being culturally sensitive; the art of gathering and eating kina without pricking yourself on the finger’.

“This is not about asking whether individual psychologists are culturally sensitive, but more importantly about whether psychology is culturally sensitive. Can a discipline which has been conceptualized, defined and controlled by a Western tradition work within another culture such as mine..?”



1991: A National Standing Committee on Bicultural Issues (NSCBI) is established...

following a report tabled to the Executive in 1990 by the Kaupapa Māori working party. Two Bicultural Directors were appointed to the Executive.

NSCBI mission was to:

- Initiate social changes which will facilitate recognition and development of Māori psychology.
- Influence the theory, teaching and practice of psychology in Aotearoa to recognise the plurality of cultural perspectives, knowledge and practices.
- Assist psychologists working in Aotearoa to acknowledge their obligations to the Treaty of Waitangi and accordingly develop appropriate teaching and practice.

1993: NZPsS includes a new Rule - Rule 3

In giving effect to the objects for which the Society is established, the Society shall encourage policies and practices that reflect New Zealand’s cultural diversity and shall, in particular, have due regard to the provisions of, and to the spirit and intent of, the Treaty of Waitangi.

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Dr Charles Waldegrave



Taimalieutu Kiwi Tamasese



Brian Dixon



Linda Waimarie Nikora

1993: First bicultural/Māori focused stream included at NZPsS 23-24 August, Annual Conference:

Cultural Justice and Ethics. Speakers were

- Dr Charles Waldegrave
- Taimalieutu Kiwi Tamasese
- Donna Awatere Huata
- Linda Waimarie Nikora
- Brian Dixon

Special issue of the Bulletin focused on the *Treaty of Waitangi and bicultural issues*

1994-96: Developing a Bicultural Psychology for Aotearoa: A Resource Guide for the Teaching of Psychology and Education Bulletin 85

NSCBI resources to assist academic staff to:

- Develop bicultural teaching practices
 - Give advice on how to recruit and support Māori students
 - Develop departmental policies on biculturalism which acknowledged the Treaty of Waitangi and its implications for the teaching of psychology
 - Ensure cultural safety for Māori
 - Develop bicultural teaching materials; understanding Māori perspectives and culture
 - Understanding the implications of cultural oppression
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Professor Sir Mason Durie

1997: NZPsS Annual Conference Keynote Address: Professor Sir Mason Durie

Identity, Nationhood and Implications for Practice in New Zealand.

“A particular challenge for Māori students of psychology will be to live in two worlds of understanding – and to be enriched by both. A challenge by psychologists who practice in New Zealand will be to accommodate more than one system of knowledge without necessarily attempting to validate one using the criteria of the other”

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Practice handbook published

Māori content included:

'Cultural Justice and Ethics in Psychological Practice' (Nairn & NSCBI);

'Facilitating Development of Kaupapa Māori Psychology' (Marewa Glover & Paul Robertson);

'Pakeha Clinical Psychology and the Treaty of Waitangi' (Pakeha Treaty Action).

1998: NSCBI develops Guidelines for the Relationship between NSCBI and Council/Executive/Staff

"NSCBI is not the Society's Treaty partner. However the NSCBI and the Society (Council, Executive, Staff, etc.) are parties to the Society's bicultural development and as such certain responsibilities follow"



Marewa Glover

1999: Introduction of Treaty of Waitangi training for each new Executive member

Evolved to become focused on bicultural development and ways in which Executive members can action bicultural issues within their portfolios.

Introduction of Presidents Scholarship: Te Tumuaki Karahipi (first recipient) Marewa Glover

2000: NZPsS Annual Conference Keynote Address - Dame Tariana Turia argues that Māori have experienced a holocaust as a result of colonial contact and behavior.

The comment prompts outrage and she is banned by the then Prime Minister Helen Clark from using the work in reference to colonisation.

'The challenge I put to you is - Do you seriously believe that you, with the training that you get, are able to nurture the Māori psyche, are you able to see in to the soul of the people and attend to the wounded spirit?'

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2002: Launch of Code of Ethics for Psychologists Working in Aotearoa / New Zealand

(Developed by the Code of Ethics Review Group of which the NZPsS was a member).
Contribution of NSCBI and others included: a Declaration that,

In giving effect to the Principles and Values of this Code of Ethics there shall be due regard for New Zealand's cultural diversity and in particular for the provision of, and the spirit and intent of, the Treaty of Waitangi.



Michelle Levy

1st Māori Graduates of Psychology Symposium: Making a Difference.

Hamilton, 29-30th November. Keynote addresses by Dr Catherine Love, and Michelle Levy.

So, although we all know that Māori are seriously under-represented in the profession of psychology, there has certainly been significant growth in our numbers and our strength (Love, p.18).



Keriata Paterson

2004: First Māori President of the NZPsS – Keriata Paterson

2005: Special Issue of the New Zealand Journal of Psychology: Māori Psychological Theory, Practice and Research.

"The dominance of Western paradigms has been identified as a significant barrier to Māori participation in psychology." (p.2)

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2006: Andrew Druis completes a bicultural audit of the NZPsS

NSCBI recommends to the Executive that all references to the Treaty of Waitangi be written in Māori 'Te Tiriti o Waitangi' with an English translation in brackets.



Huata Holmes

Huata Holmes becomes the first kaumatua of the Society

at the beginning of the Joint (APS/NZPsS) Conference, formally stepping into the role in 2007.

Dr Tracey Westerman, the first Indigenous psychologist...

provides keynote address at the Joint conference held with Australian Psychological Society and Dr Waikaremoana Waitoki also provides a keynote address - Auckland.



Rose Black



Averil Herbert

2007: The practice of psychology in Aotearoa New Zealand is published:

Rose Black & Ingrid Huygens '*Pakeha culture*'; Averil Herbert '*Māori perspectives on psychology*', Ray Nairn & friends, *Cultural justice*, Melissa Taitimu & Jhan Gavala *Training a Māori psychology workforce*; Waikaremoana Waitoki co-authors a chapter on supervision; and cultural competence with Catherine Love.



Raymond Nairn



Waikaremoana Waitoki

2nd Indigenous psychology symposium: Claiming Spaces:

National Māori and Pacific Psychologies Symposium 23rd-24th November. Hamilton.



Neville Blampied

2008: Dr Neville Blampied donates funds from his Adcock Award to the President's Scholarship.

Dr Raymond Nairn begins work on seminal keynote speaker book *Ka Tu, Ka Oho. Visions of a bicultural partnership in psychology*

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2009: NSCBI facilitated policy to ensure two keynote speakers at NZPsS conferences, focusing on bicultural issues.

Ngā Kete added to the NZPsS website



Erana Cooper



Pikihuia Pomare

2010: He Kohinga Rangahau published by the University of Auckland.

Arranged thematically, the collection highlights Māori research in psychology.

Hinekura Hollis, Erana Cooper, Virginia Braun, and Pikihuia Pomare.

2011: NZPsS publishes Psychology and the Law in Aotearoa New Zealand.

'Māori, Psychology and the Law: Considerations for Bicultural Practice' (Erana Cooper, Sharon Rickard, Waikaremoana Waitoki).

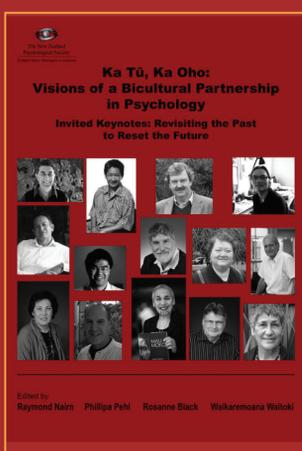
Kaumatua Huata Holmes retires and Professor Angus Macfarlane takes over as kaihautu...

of the Society (Queenstown/Tahuna).

NSCBI celebrates 21 years of operation.

2012: Launch of Te tikanga matatiki: Mā ngā Kaimātai Hinengaro e mahi ana i Aotearoa/ New Zealand, 2002

(Te Reo interpretation of the Code of Ethics for Psychologists Working in Aotearoa/New Zealand) Auckland.



NSCBI supports the 3rd Māori and Pacific Indigenous psychology conference held in Auckland

NZPsS publishes Ka Tū, Ka Oho: Visions of a Bicultural Partnership in Psychology

Fifteen speakers who, from various perspectives analysed salient aspects of the relationship between Māori and those health professionals that are born in and nurtured by the Western academy. The speakers' insights and the possibilities they outline constitute the visions of a bicultural partnership.

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2013: The Society joins an international working party charged with developing an international declaration of competencies for psychology.

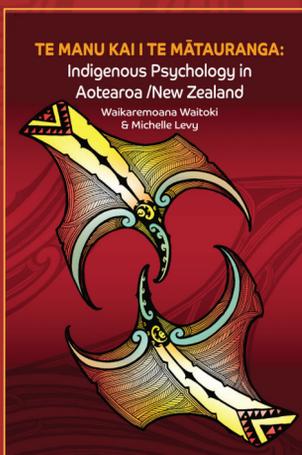
Beginning a 3 year project spanning over 40 countries to develop a global agreement on identifying the benchmark competences that define professional psychology.

2014: Draft of the international declaration of competencies released...

for comment by psychological societies in 40 countries.

2015: He Paiaka Totara and He Paiaka Tipu launches in Hamilton, beginning the development of an Indigenous psychologists' association.

Te Roopu Tauwiwi launches in response to the need for Treaty allies to support bicultural initiatives in the Society.



2016: NZPsS publishes the groundbreaking book Te manu kai i te mātauranga: Indigenous psychology in Aotearoa/ New Zealand (Eds. Waikaremoana Waitoki/Michelle Levy)

“Within this book we implicitly challenge the notion that we must reside solely within the western space and forgo our Indigenous knowledge base. Many of the authors have been in practice for over 20 years – all activists and warriors within psychology. Yet it has taken a long time for us to recognise that we do not need validation, permission, or approval to write our own stories in ways that make sense to us”.

NZPsS publishes Professional Practice of Psychology in Aotearoa New Zealand (3rd ed)...

with significant bicultural content.

Final report of the International Project on Competency in Psychology launched...

in Yokohama, Japan.

Society joins the working party of the Asia Pacific Psychology Alliance...

beginning their objective of increasing support for Pasifika and Asian psychology.

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Julia Ioane

2017: The 2nd edition of Ka tū, Ka oho begins.

Titled, Kua tū, Kua oho including bicultural keynote addresses from 2010-2017.

Julia Ioane presents first Pacific keynote address

Special section of the New Zealand Journal of Psychology. Ten Indigenous psychology papers covered a range of issues:

Infant sleep practices, clinical assessment and formulation, Pacific psychology, suicide, mātauranga Māori, and neuropsychology.

2018: The constitution of the Asia Pacific Psychology Alliance is ratified in Bali.

One of the objectives it to recognise:

'The fundamental role of the application of socially, culturally and indigenously informed psychological science in the well-being of our societies and especially of the most vulnerable individuals and populations.'

The report, Indigenous Psychology in Aotearoa: Reaching our highest peaks for Māori psychologists is released.

Psychology in Aotearoa/New Zealand, both as an academic discipline and profession, has for almost 40 years been challenged in relation to its monocultural nature, and the subsequent impacts of this on the capacity of the discipline and those practising within it ... It is a familiar story to us all, with well-known players, plotlines and conclusions (Levy, p.3).