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Editor's Introduction

Volume 50, Issue 1, presents two papers – the first a series of empirical studies investigating how people may respond to admissions of wrongdoing, and the second a case study drawing from service provision data to understand usage of a mental health inpatient unit.

Secondly, we renew our call for papers to be considered as part of our upcoming special issue on psychological perspectives on environment, climate and sustainability.

CALL FOR PAPERS: Environment, climate and sustainability

We invite submissions for an upcoming special issue of the *New Zealand Journal of Psychology* focused on environment, climate, and sustainability.

We welcome contributions in the form of scholarly reviews, empirical research whether qualitative or quantitative in nature, commentaries relating to practice relevant to psychologists working Aotearoa New Zealand, and other relevant contributions. Contributions should be broadly relevant to the themes of environment, climate and sustainability, but more specific examples might include:

- Psychological and behavioural aspects of people and nature
- Ecological consequences of human actions
- Perception of, and behavioural responses to, environmental risks and hazards
- Māori and indigenous perspectives on the environment and it's impacts
- Effects of environment (and perception of the environment) on human cognition and health
- · Theories of environment-relevant behaviour, values, norms, attitudes, and personality
- Psychology of sustainability and climate change
- · Psychological practice in the context of environment, climate and sustainability

Special issue Editors are drawn from the New Zealand Psychological Society's Climate Psychology Task Force and include Brian Dixon, Jackie Feather, Natasha Tassell-Matamua, and Marc Wilson. For further information about the Society's Climate Change initiatives please visit the Society <u>website</u>.

The deadline for submissions to the Special Issue is August 1st, 2021.

Consistent with the imperative of the Journal, *any* submission must clearly articulate relevance in the context of Aotearoa New Zealand. Information about the Journal, and general author guidelines can be found here.

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