Hāpaitia ā tātou ākonga Māori!

Supporting Māori Learner Success

Ako Aotearoa is an agent of change for Māori learner success. As a Tiriti-led organisation, we help tertiary educators and practitioners across the sector build knowledge, confidence, and cultural capability in te ao Māori (the Māori world), to help Māori learners achieve greater success.

The Tertiary Education Strategy (TES) identifies Māori as one of the priority learner groups. This strategy guides our work to enhance Māori cultural capability within the sector and improve educational outcomes for Māori learners.



Photo by BCITO | Te Pūkenga: Apprentices Graeson Tanirau, Ivan Ratema and Chase Curtis at Tāwharau Homes

Our Mātauranga Māori programme

Our Mātauranga Māori programme is led by Dr Joe Te Rito and Dr Mei Winitana who have extensive experience and connections in both the tertiary education sector and the Māori world. We offer strategic advice to tertiary organisations ranging from universities through to Te Pūkenga, WDCs, CoVEs, and various other government agencies. Our connections to the Māori world enable us to help open doors to, and for iwi and hapū entities and other Māori organisations. We also have collaborative partnerships with organisations such as Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and ACE Aotearoa.

Our programme is portrayed in the four Kete (Baskets) which are suspended in Te Pātaka Mātauranga Māori – our Storehouse of Māori Knowledge on the Ako Aotearoa website (see reverse side of this flyer). The four Kete contain the range of our Mātauranga Māori offerings and resources.

The staff and management of Ako Aotearoa are supported by Te Rūnanga Māori, our Māori governance body, which also has extensive and diverse stakeholder affiliations. These include institutes of technology and polytechnics via Te Tira Manukura o Ngā Kuratini; Whare Wānanga via Te Tauihu o Ngā Wānanga; Private Training Establishments via ITENZ; Universities via Te Kāhui Amokura; Work Development Councils (Ohu Mahi) via Hanga Aro Rau; Māori staff via Te Tira Whakahaere of Te Toi Tauira; and students via Te Mana Ākonga.

Participant event feedback

"Even though I am not fluent in Te Reo Māori, I was still able to connect, participate and learn. I would love to see more days like this that are Māori-centered."

- Tuia Te Ako 2022

"It is amazing what you're doing, and I just wish this understanding and learning that leads to a change was done well before my lifetime."

- Te Tiriti o Waitangi workshops

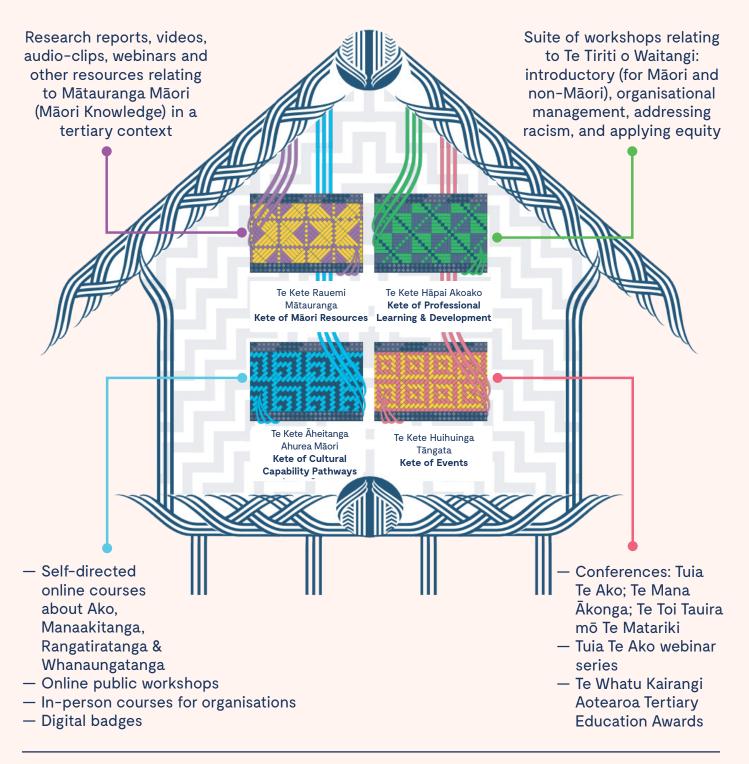
"The Ako Online Course has sensitised me to Māori cultural practices and values, which I now actively try to incorporate at the planning and implementation stages of learning content development/delivery."

- Māori Cultural Capability selfdirected course

"I really enjoyed the Āta
Framework module because it
is about taking the appropriate
amount of time and attention that
something warrants and deserves.
I think that this is very important
to remind people about in a fastpaced world."

Māori Cultural Capability public workshops

Te Pātaka Mātauranga Māori Storehouse of Māori Knowledge



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