Meet the Te Puna Ako team:

Abha Chitalia Academic Advisor Liaison: Computing and Information Technology	In my role as an Academic Advisor, I enjoy working with teachers in developing courses with an all-inclusive approach towards providing students with the wide array of skills necessary to succeed in life, and a rich environment that brings a culturally diverse approach to classroom interaction. My areas of expertise includes assessment and moderation, including unit standards.
Ann Simpson Academic Advisor Liaison: Healthcare and Social Practice	I truly enjoy working with people, helping them to provide technical and pedagogical solutions for their teaching and learning needs. I am very interested in blended learning and how dialogic activity manifests itself within those environments. I have a background in IT, instructional design, and teaching.
Catherine Delaporte Academic Advisor Team Lead: Programme and Course development Ligison: Trades and Services	I enjoy working collaboratively on course, assessment and programme design, particularly the creative and problem-solving aspects involved. I'm also interested in opportunities for innovative teaching and learning in the unique environment that the Trades space offers, and through enhanced integration of Mātauranga Māori. TCD focus: Assessment, Moderation
	Liaison: Computing and Information Technology Ann Simpson Academic Advisor Liaison: Healthcare and Social Practice Catherine Delaporte Academic Advisor

<u>Diana Ayling</u> Academic Advisor	I hold a special interest in teacher education, and enjoy mentoring and coaching teachers to reach their full potential. I am interested in helping you solve your problems in teaching and learning with the use of quality information and data. I can help you manage teaching and learning projects to ensure the best possible outcome for your team.
James Oldfield Digital Learning Lead	I am particularly interested in the effect of mobile BYOD devices on the student learning experience. My preferred teaching style is based upon constructivist pedagogies, and I have a passion for helping others to create engaging learning experiences for their students.
Karen Haines Academic Advisor Liaison: Community Studies	I enjoy working with teachers to actively develop and reflect on good teaching and learning practices, including face to face and blended learning. My passion is for supporting classroom and online environments where students feel valued and are engaged actively and collaboratively in learning processes.
Lisa Simperingham Academic Advisor Digital Learning Tools: Turnitin, Moodle, SEAtS Liaisons: Bridgepoint, UPC, Student Success	In my role as eLearning Capability Developer, I support staff in developing their skills, and helping them make best use of various technologies for their pedagogical outcomes. My aimistobe both teacher and student focused, providing optimal solutions for both parties. I particularly enjoy the "aha" moments when small learnings make a big difference. My TCD area of expertise is Collaborative Learning.

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Malcolm Hay

Academic Advisor

My industry background is in Construction and Structural Engineering. During my 12 years teaching before coming to Unitec, I became passionate about the role technology would play in the future of education.

Liaison: Engineering and Applied Technology

My role at Te Puna Ako is to assist in the meaningful implementation of technology and software in everyday teaching whether it is face to face or online. My specialities are Moodle, Video Conferencing and, to a lesser extent, Echo 360 as well as hardware and connected devices.



Maura Kempin

Te Puna Ako Manager

I am passionate about designing applied and authentic leaning experiences to help prepare students holistically for the challenging world of work and employment. In my role as Academic Advisor, I enjoy working with colleagues to develop programmes and courses which advance progressive pedagogy to deliver good student outcomes.



Maureen Perkins

Academic Advisor MyPortfolio Support

Tools: MyPortfolio, Moodle, Turnitin

Liaisons: Architecture, Creative Industries, Ako Ahimura Mātauranga Māori I enjoy providing teaching staff with personalised professional and course development support. My focus is on ensuring that all students experience carefully planned, personalised (and fun) face to face and digital learning environments that provide positive outcomes. I have been involved in adult teaching for several decades in various settings and love to work with others to creatively solve problems. Hove using technology—but only where it actually makes a difference. I enjoy working with Moodle, Turnitin, and MyPortfolio and helping others to develop the amazing potential of these tools. Most of all I enjoy the learning that I do alongside the teachers I work with.

	Quentin Williams Academic Advisor Liaison: APL/WBL	I have done quite a lot of course development across a wide range of disciplines, from programme writing through to resource design. Instead of having a liaison role with a specific pathway, I work across all pathways at Unitec to support assessment of prior learning (APL/RPL) and work-integrated/Work-Based Learning.
	Rokosiga Morrison Academic Advisor Liaison: Building Construction, Pacific	I enjoy course development work! From mapping out constructive alignment of a programme or a course to designing of assessment strategies and developing instructional materials. My major is in Curriculum and Instruction. I also facilitate professional development workshops on Teacher Capability. I am liaison for Building Construction.
	Sarah Kirk Academic Advisor Digital Learning Tools: Echo360, Collaborative Teaching spaces Liaison: Applied Business and Environmental and Animal Sciences	I relish the opportunity to work alongside teachers to develop engaging, personalised learning experiences. Problem-solving with fellow educators to develop technology based solutions that enhance learning is one of the highlights of my role. In particular, I am curious about how technology allows for new learning tasks not previously possible and how this might positively impact learning outcomes. As the resident Echo360 Champion I support teachers using this active learning platform. If a cilitate New Teacher Induction and support Transition pedagogy at Unitec.
	William Lu eLearning Support	I believe in promoting best practice in the use of high quality multimedia material and Web support to ensure students achieve their learning objectives and receive a positive and memorable experience. I am highly experienced in using Moodle within teaching environments and I am committed to assisting academic staff to deliver quality educational experiences to their students.
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