
To	Academic Board	From	Simon Nash Chair Ako Ahimura Committee
Title	Ako Ahimura November 2019 Subcommittee Chair Report for Academic Board	Date	2 December 2019

Recommendation/s

That Academic Board receive this Ako Ahimura Sub-Committee report.

Purpose

To report on the Ako Ahimura Sub-Committee's main items from its 21 November meeting and provide relevant advice to Academic Board.

Background

The updated draft Unitec Learning & Teaching Strategy was reviewed again. Robust discussion about purpose, design, audience, etc. We are getting there but it's taking a bit of time! Our goal now is to have this ready for consultation via members at first meeting of 2020.

Recent feedback from NZQA of monitoring of L5 and L6 NZ Diplomas in Business has raised some concerns about NZQA's guidance and direction on learning outcomes and assessment, which the committee view as overly directive and requiring a unit standards-style approach. Te Korowai Kahurangi and Te Puna Ako will review further and contact NZQA for more advice.

The committee undertook self-assessment against its Terms of Reference. One point of interest was concern raised at committee about the 'one-way' nature of communication with Academic Board, i.e. it's only "up". To part-resolve this, the AB Chair's report will now be a regular monthly item at Ako Ahimura.