
To	Te Poari Whai Kouna Quality Alignment Board	From	Eric Stone Te Korowai Kahurangi
Title	Consistency Reviews	Date	14 August 2020

Recommendation/s

That Te Poari Whai Kouna | Quality Alignment Board:

- receive the update on 2020 Consistency Reviews
- endorse:
 - 1 programme teams develop a plan, synchronised with cohort completions, to ensure evidence from graduates and next-users is gathered, analysed and evaluated on a regular basis.
 - 2 The plan is to be provided to the PAQC to report back to QAB in the next quarterly report

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Te Poari Whai Kouna | Quality Alignment Board with an update on the status of Consistency Reviews.

Commentary

Consistency reviews are a quality assurance process used to assure national consistency of graduate outcomes. It applies to New Zealand qualifications at levels 1-6 listed on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework.

The attached 20200809 Consistency Review Tracker and Rubric outlines the preparation and outcomes for Consistency Reviews at Unitec.

Te Poari Whai Kouna was alerted in an update 6 July, 2020 that four programmes scheduled for upcoming consistency reviews are rated as “Marginal” for their programme preparation for a consistency review. An action item from discussion was “To investigate blockages in the gathering of graduate outcome data in the preparation process for Consistency Reviews”.

To enable self-assessment and demonstrate how graduates meet the graduate profile of the qualification the following is required:

- **Evidence from graduates** about their destination (work, study, community or other) and their feedback on the application of the graduate profile outcomes
- **Evidence from next-users** (may include: employers, teachers, community, whānau, hapū, iwi) and their feedback on the graduates application of the graduate profile outcomes.

The Unitec Graduate Survey is a potential evidence source of evidence from graduates however at programme level, the margin of error may be high, there are engagement issues with certain qualification contexts and the generic nature of the survey may not capture the range of evidence required for consistency review.

A number of Schools have approaches to gaining evidence from next-users however this behavior is not consistent across Unitec.

To ensure programme teams can be supported in preparing for consistency reviews it is recommended that each programme team develop a plan synchronised with cohort completions to ensure evidence from graduates and next-users is gathered, analysed and evaluated on a regular basis.

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Next Steps

Te Korowai Kahurangi will continue to track, and report on NZQA consistency process.

Attachments

20200809 Consistency Review Tracker and Rubric.pdf

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