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<b>To</b>	Academic Board	<b>From</b>	Marcus Williams
<b>Title</b>	2020-2024 Unitec Research Strategy	<b>Date</b>	14 September 2020

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**Recommendation**

That the Academic Boards approve the 2020-2024 Unitec Research Strategy.

**Purpose**

To ensure Unitec has a current, approved research strategy.

**Background**

The development of the strategy was delayed due to the RoVE until after the April 2019 announcement, then strategic provocations were presented to the Unitec Research Committee (URC) and the committee requested these be taken in person to every school with degree programmes. Feedback from these visits resulted in Version Two, which was circulated to staff through the school Research Leaders and Research Centres for written feedback in early 2020, followed by two online consultation sessions and one face to face. This feedback round resulted in Version Three which was presented in August to the Senior Leadership Team and Unitec Research Committee for final comment. Version Three was approved by the URC at the September meeting.

**Next Steps**

Circulate the approved version to leadership and research staff.

**Attachments**

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Version 3 of the 2020-2024 Unitec Research Strategy word and PDF versions

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