



Vice-President Māori - Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki

1. Purpose

The purpose of Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki is to proactively encourage Māori student development and wellbeing.

This will be achieved by:

- Identifying opportunities and coordinating activities for collaboration between members;
- Identifying opportunities and coordinating activities for collaboration with the University and other organisations;
- Providing social, cultural and academic support for Māori students;
- Proactively supporting the development of Māori student bodies within the Faculties of the University;
- Providing representation to relevant external Māori student bodies and initiatives;
- Providing a forum for members to provide communication to the WSU board through the Vice-President Māori.

2. Membership

Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki (TKT) is made up of the Chairpersons of the organisations that represent Māori students, namely:

- The Vice President Māori of the WSU (Chairperson)
- A WSU Staff representative;
- Te Whakahiapō (Law);
- Te Ranga Ngāku (Management);
- Te Waiora (University-wide);
- Tūmata Kōkiri (Education/ Health, Sport and Human Performance)
- Te Kāuru (Māori and Indigenous Studies);
- Te Tini o Hakuturi (Geography and Environmental Planning);
- Te Mana Ake ki Tauranga (Tauranga campus).

It is intended that membership in this group will expand to incorporate representatives from any new Māori student association or rōpū created to represent the Faculties of the University. The existing TKT members must approve the new

membership. Likewise, it is also noted that any rūpū or association listed above that may become inactive or cease operations temporarily will automatically regain membership in the event of reestablishment. Additionally, a representative from the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Māori will join this forum upon invitation by the Vice-President Māori.

3. Meetings

Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki will meet every month as a minimum. Any deviation of this will be at the discretion of the Vice-President Māori, the event of which will be noted and explained at the following WSU board meeting.

4. Manuhiri

The attendance of manuhiri to any hui is subject to approval by the Vice President Māori.

5. Te Mana Akonga

Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki (TKT) will be the official partnering body with Te Mana Akonga (TMA).



Executive Director Academic Success - Student Academic Council

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Student Academic Success Committee is to oversee the academic experience of students by identifying, understanding, and advancing academic matters affecting tauira, while fostering a strong student voice, supporting meaningful contribution in representative roles, and strengthening the partnership between the WSU and the University.

This will be achieved by:

- Identifying academic issues, trends, and opportunities affecting students, and advising the WSU Academic Success Director accordingly;
- Where applicable, coordinating activities and collaboration between members to improve the academic experience of students across all faculties;
- Working proactively with the University, including Academic Board, the Education Committee, along with any other relevant University forums, to advance student perspectives on academic policy, teaching quality, assessment, and learning support;
- Providing guidance and support for academic representatives and assisting in the development of effective academic representation structures;
- Supporting initiatives that enhance academic wellbeing, learning environments, and access to academic resources for all students;
- Providing a formal forum through which members can communicate academic matters to the WSU Board via the Academic Success Director.

2. Membership

The Student Academic Success Committee is made up of the following stakeholders, namely:

- The WSU Executive Director of Academic Success (Chairperson)
- Student Representative for the Division of Arts, Law, Psychology and Social Sciences;
- Student Representative for the Division of Education;
- Student Representative for the Division of Health,
- Student Representative for the Division of Management;
- Student Representative for the Division of STEM;
- A Representative from the Faculty of Māori and Indigenous Studies;

- The President of the Post Graduate Students' Association;
- A representative from the Māori Academic Board;
- A relevant WSU staff member.

It is intended that membership in this group will expand to incorporate representatives from any new stakeholder(s) relevant to the representation and advancement of student academic success at the university. The existing Student Academic Success Committee members must approve new membership.

3. Meetings

The Student Academic Success Committee will meet every fortnight. Any deviation of this will be at the discretion of the Student Academic Success Committee, the event of which will be noted and explained at the following WSU board meeting.

4. Guests

The attendance of any guest(s) to any hui is subject to approval by the Executive Director of Academic Success.



Executive Director Student Experience - Student Experience Council

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Student Experience Committee is to provide a strong platform to enhance the overall student experience by listening to students, gathering insights, and identifying, understanding, and advancing non-academic matters affecting taura. This will create regular and meaningful opportunities for students to consider and address issues that affect them, including engagement, lifestyle, sustainability, and contributing to a rich campus environment for present and future generations. Through fostering a meaningful student voice, a strong partnership can be developed between the WSU, the students, and the University.

This will be achieved by:

- Identifying and supporting regular, diverse, and accessible non-academic events, activities, and experiences throughout the year that enrich student life and foster community;
- Identifying issues, trends, and opportunities affecting student wellbeing, engagement, equity, and campus culture, and advising the Student Experience Director accordingly;
- Working proactively with the University, including Student Services, Accommodation, Recreation, Campus Operations, and other relevant forums, to elevate student perspectives and improve access to support services;
- Supporting initiatives that alleviate student hardship, including financial, well-being, and accessibility challenges, and advocating for improved systems and resources;
- Providing a formal forum through which members can communicate student experience matters to the WSU Board via the Student Experience Director.

2. Membership

Membership of the Student Experience Committee is designed to be flexible and inclusive. Any stakeholder who meaningfully contributes to the wellbeing, engagement, or everyday experience of students may be invited to participate by the WSU Executive Director of Student Experience. The following list outlines the core members, noting that it is non-exhaustive and may be expanded to include others whose perspectives support the Committee's purpose:

- The WSU Executive Director of Student Experience (Chairperson);
- The University Chaplain;
- A Residential Leader from College Hall, Student Village, Bryant Park, and Orchard Park;
- An International student representative;
- A disability student representative
 - Preference given to a representative of WDSA. In the case of WDSA being inactive or disestablished, another relevant representative will be chosen;
- A representative from UniQ;
- A representative from UniRec;
- Representative from the University Event Services;
- A relevant WSU staff member;
- A representative from Te Te Kāhuinga Tumuaki.

3. Meetings

The Student Experience Committee will meet every fortnight. Any deviation of this will be at the discretion of the Student Experience Committee, the event of which will be noted and explained at the following WSU board meeting.



Executive Director Tauranga: Tauranga Students Forum

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Tauranga Student Forum is to provide a strong, representative platform for Tauranga-based students to voice their needs, perspectives, and priorities, ensuring that the unique experiences of tauranga on the Tauranga campus are heard, understood, and advanced. The Forum brings together Tauranga-based student leaders and stakeholders from a range of programmes, communities, and clubs to discuss the issues affecting their peers, identify workable solutions, and strengthen the connection between Tauranga students and the WSU. By fostering a meaningful student voice, the Forum plays an essential role in building a thriving, connected, and well-supported campus environment.

This will be achieved by:

- Identifying needs, trends, and opportunities affecting Tauranga students and advising the Executive Director accordingly, ensuring that decision-making remains grounded in local student experience;
- Providing regular opportunities for Tauranga-based members to share insights from their respective student communities, including club networks, accommodation, academic cohorts, and informal peer groups;
- Supporting and strengthening student engagement on the Tauranga campus by identifying where increased collaboration, resources, or targeted initiatives could help connect students, including those studying online or commuting;
- Working proactively with University staff, particularly those from the Tauranga campus, and other services based on the Tauranga campus to improve communication, accessibility, and awareness of support services, clubs, events, and campus opportunities;
- Exploring practical solutions to campus-specific challenges
- Providing a formal forum through which the Executive Director Tauranga can communicate Tauranga student matters to the WSU Board and ensure that Tauranga voices are embedded within wider WSU strategy.

2. Membership

Membership of the Tauranga Student Forum is designed to be flexible, locally focused, and inclusive. Any Tauranga-based stakeholder who meaningfully

contributes to the well-being, engagement, or everyday experience of students may be invited to participate by the WSU Executive Director of Tauranga. The following list outlines the core members, noting that it is non-exhaustive and may be expanded to include others whose perspectives support the Forum's purpose:

- WSU Executive Director of Tauranga (Chairperson);
- Tauranga Rōpū and Club Presidents;
- A member of staff from the WSU;
- The University of Waikato Director of Tauranga Campus Development and Operations.

3. Meetings

The Tauranga Students Forum will meet every fortnight. Any deviation of this will be at the discretion of the Tauranga Students Forum, the event of which will be noted and explained at the following WSU board meeting.

Executive Director Pacific: Pacific Students Forum

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Pacific Students' Forum is to provide a strong, representative platform for Pacific taura to voice their needs, perspectives, and priorities, ensuring that the unique experiences of Pacific students across the University are heard, understood, and advanced. The Forum brings together Pacific student leaders and stakeholders to discuss the issues affecting their peers, identify workable solutions, and strengthen the connection between Pacific students and the WSU. By fostering a meaningful Pacific student voice, the Forum plays an essential role in building a thriving, culturally grounded, connected, and well-supported environment for Pacific taura.

This will be achieved by:

- Identifying needs, trends, and opportunities affecting Pacific students and advising the Pacific Executive Director accordingly, ensuring that decision-making remains grounded in Pacific student experience;
- Providing regular opportunities for members to share insights from their respective Pacific communities, including cultural associations, academic cohorts, clubs, accommodation networks, and informal peer groups;
- Supporting and strengthening Pacific student engagement by identifying where increased collaboration, resources, or targeted initiatives could help connect and uplift Pacific taura, including first-year, online, or commuting students;
- Working proactively with University staff, particularly those involved in Pacific student services, equity, wellbeing, and academic support, to improve communication, accessibility, and awareness of support services, cultural events, clubs, and opportunities for Pacific students;
- Exploring practical solutions to challenges commonly experienced by Pacific students, including belonging, cultural safety, navigation of University systems, and access to support;
- Providing a formal forum through which the Pacific Executive Director can communicate Pacific student matters to the WSU Board and ensure that Pacific voices are embedded within wider WSU strategy.

2. Membership

Membership of the Pacific Students' Forum is designed to be flexible, culturally grounded, and inclusive. Any stakeholder who meaningfully contributes to the well-being, engagement, success, or everyday experience of Pacific taura may be invited to participate by the WSU Pacific Executive Director. The following list outlines the core members, noting that it is non-exhaustive and may be expanded to include others whose perspectives support the Forum's purpose:

- WSU Executive Pacific Director (Chairperson);
- Representative from the Papua New Guinea Waikato Students Association;
- Representative from the Solomon Islands Community Waikato Association;
- Representative from the Pacific Islander Management Students Association;
- Representative from the Pacific Law Students Association;
- Representative from the Waikato University Vanuatu Students' Association;
- Representative from the Waikato Samoan Students Association;
- Representative from the Waikato University Fijian Students' Association;
- A WSU staff representative.

3. Meetings

The Pacific Students Forum will meet every fortnight. Any deviation of this will be at the discretion of the Tauranga Students Forum, the event of which will be noted and explained at the following WSU board meeting.