

# NEWSLETTER

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## THE Whitireia FOUNDATION

### Becoming Te Pūkenga

Whitireia and WelTec becomes part of Te Pūkenga - New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology, on 1 Mahuru (September) 2022.

Te Pūkenga brings together the existing Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics (ITPs) and Industry Training Organisations (ITOs) as one organisation, with the aim of developing, over time, capabilities to support work-based, campus-based, and online learning as a unified system, providing a comprehensive network of studying opportunities for ākonga (learners) and increased collaboration between programmes.

A desire to complete the transition process well before the busy end of year activities was the motivation for moving to become Te Pūkenga on 1 September. Mark Oldershaw, Chief Executive of Whitireia and WelTec sees the move as representing "a vote of confidence in terms of our readiness and resilience."

"There is no change to the day-to-day teaching and learning activities of kaimahi (staff) and ākonga (learners). All relationships with kaiako (tutors), learning support services and programmes will continue. We remain committed to providing ākonga (learners) with an exceptional learning experience that will support them into their future careers.

"Our relationships with employers, industry, and communities, are an integral part of delivering vocational education that meets the needs of learners in Wellington and the wider region, and we value the work we do together to support learners. These relationships, and the mahi we achieve together, will continue. Supporting successful outcomes for learners remains our priority. That won't change."

"We look forward to formally acknowledging our transition from Whitireia and WelTec with our mana whenua partners," concludes Mr Oldershaw.

**Two Tohu, Kaitiakitanga and Ākonga, have been crafted by Manukorihi Winiata (Ngāti Raukawa, Te Āti Awa, Ngāti Awa, Ngāti Tūwharetoa) for Whitireia and WelTec. The design was guided by the concepts of Kotahitanga (togetherness, unity and collective action, lifting each other up, identifying as one) and Poutama (the pursuit of knowledge).**



Our Tohu



# Thinking about a scholarship?

If financing your study is a challenge, and you need a helping hand for study at Whitireia or Weltec in 2023, keep an eye out for the launch of our Whitireia Foundation Scholarships 2023.

## Launching in October

We'll have applications (for domestic study) on [whitireiafoundation.com](http://whitireiafoundation.com) in October. You can also search scholarships on the Whitireia Weltec website.

## Be confident

You can do it. If you have enthusiasm and commitment for your chosen course of study, we'd love to help you succeed. Check out the Application Form and read the Application Guide at [whitireiafoundation.com](http://whitireiafoundation.com).

## We're here for you

If you believe in what you're doing, we believe in you too. Tell us about yourself, and why you're applying - you don't need to be top of your class to be awarded a Whitireia Foundation Scholarship. Show us you're keen to do the mahi and to succeed.



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