## Tākiri te ata

## National Māori Doctoral Conference 2015 Otaakou Marae, Dunedin 30 November – 1 December

### HE PŌHIRI

On behalf of Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and Te Kupenga o MAI we extend this invitation to all Māori and Indigenous doctoral candidates to attend the 2015 National MAI Doctoral Conference, "Tākiri te ata: A New Dawn has Arrived", hosted by MAI ki Otago.

#### **ABOUT THE CONFERENCE**

Since its inception, a critical component of the MAI programme has been to provide opportunities for Māori and Indigenous doctoral students to gather together to develop relationships with other like-minded students and academics around the country. This conference provides an opportunity for students to share their work and ideas in an environment that protects and enhances the mana of the student, their research and the communities within which they are working.

The theme of the 2015 National Māori Doctoral Conference is: *Tākiri te ata*. With each new dawn, the morning light slowly reveals our landscape, embedded with our stories, dotted with challenging peaks and shadow filled valleys. In the light, the pathways well-trodden by those who have gone before can be seen and the signs of new ones, through bent grass and subtle imprint, are waiting to be explored. *Tākiri te ata* invites MAI doctoral students to share and discuss what the new light created by their research will reveal and to provide insight in to their future aspirations and where they hope their revealed pathways will lead them.

The programme will include presentations of student research of 10 minutes in length with 5 minutes for questions at the end. This year we will also be running a 3MT (3 minute thesis) competition. Only one delegate from each MAI site will be able to participate in the 3MT. If you are interested in being your MAI site 3MT speaker then please contact your MAI coordinator (http://www.mai.ac.nz/) to express your interest.

#### **ABSTRACTS**

Submission of abstracts will close on **Friday October 23** and people will be notified the following week. Please complete the attached abstract submission form and email to <a href="maori.postgrad@otago.ac.nz">maori.postgrad@otago.ac.nz</a> Any questions can de directed to Dr Karyn Paringatai (at the same email address).

#### **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

### Day 1 – Sunday 30 November

2.00pm Pōhiri 3.00pm Kai

3.30pm Whakawhanaungatanga

Korero about Ōtākou - Tahu & Megan Potiki

6.00pm Dinner

7.30pm 3 minute thesis battle (MAI site vs MAI site)

### Day 2 – Monday 31 November

7.30am *Ō-ata* 

9.00am Presentation start (10 minute korero, 5 minute questions)

(6 speakers)

10.30am Paramanawa

11.00am Presentations continue

(5 speakers)

12.30pm Ō-rānui

1.30pm He haerenga – Pukekura

4.00pm Paramanawa

4.30pm Presentations continue

(6 speakers)

6.00pm Hākari

7.30pm Panel of University of Otago Māori Academics

- Mike Stevens (History), Anne-Marie Jackson (PE), Jacinta Ruru (Law),

Poia Rewi (Te Tumu), Louise Parr-Brownlie (Anatomy) (tbc)

9.30pm Paramanawa

## Day 3 – Tuesday 1 December

7.30am Ō-ata

9.00am He tautohetohe – Debate

10.00am He Tātua o Kahukura – Dr Leonie Pihama

10.30am Discussion of the future of the MAI programme – Dr Tracey McIntosh

11.00am Poroporoākī

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# **Abstract Submission Form**

Please complete this form and email it to: <a href="majorizotrackgrad@otago.ac.nz">majorizotrackgrad@otago.ac.nz</a>

## Abstracts are due by Friday 23 October 2015

Name			
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Department			
Institution			
Degree programme			
Telephone			
Email			
Presentation type			
(please circle one)	3 minute thesis	Standard presentation	Attendee only
Brief bio			
Abstract			
Will you be staying at the marae?			
Any dietary requirements?			