

CEREMONY 4

9.30 am, Friday 12 December 2025

Te Hui Whakapūmau

Order of ceremony

Mihi whakatau (welcome)

Te kupu a te Manukura (Chancellor’s address)

Te karanga i ngā kairangi (presentation of PhD graduates to the Chancellor)

Ngā taonga a MAI ki Pōneke (MAI ki Pōneke PhD gift presentation)

Te karanga i ngā tauira (presentation of graduates to the Chancellor)

Ngā taonga a Ngāi Tauira (presentation of gifts to the graduates by Ngāi Tauira)

Ruka Te Rangiāhua Broughton Memorial Award
Taranaki Ah Young-Grace

Dr Wiremu Parker Memorial Award
Mereaira Poutu

Te Kawa a Māui Postgraduate Prize
Stacey Morgan

Te kupu a te tauira (graduate speaker’s address)
Ari Thomson-Lawrence, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Karakia whakapūmau (ritual of affirmation)

Karanga whakaū (call of affirmation)

REFERENCES

1	First Class Honours	<i>D</i>	Distinction
2/1	Second Class Honours (first division)	<i>M</i>	Merit
2/2	Second Class Honours (second division)		
3	Third Class Honours		

Doctoral degree research summaries

Nabilah Husna Binte Abdul Rahman

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology

Thesis title: 'Power, Position, and Practice: Conscientisation and Decolonial Solidarity of Southeast Asian Migrants in Aotearoa'

Supervisors: Professor Maria Bargh and Dr Janepicha Cheva-Isarakul

Will Dreyer

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science

Thesis title: 'Complementary Committees: Conflict and Cooperation in Legislative Scrutiny in Aotearoa New Zealand'

Supervisors: Dr Fiona Barker and Professor Maria Bargh

Marama Leigh Salsano 

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Creative Writing

Thesis title: "'I Write / I Paint / I Narrate": A Te-Aitanga-a-Māhaki Kapukōrero About Multigenre Creative Work'

Supervisors: Professor Alice Te Punga Somerville and Dr Arini Loader

Louise Moana Were

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Health and Wellbeing

Thesis title: 'Tukua Te Ringa Aroha Reclaiming Evaluation for All of Us'

Supervisors: Dr Kirsten Smiler and Dr Hilary Stace

Presentation of graduates

Graduates may be called on stage in a different order from that listed in this programme.

Doctor of Philosophy

- Binte Abdul Rahman**, Nabilah Husna, *in Sociology*
- Dreyer**, William Patrick, *in Political Science*
- Salsano**, Marama Leigh (Ngāti Porou, Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki, Tūhoe), *in Creative Writing*
- Were**, Louise Moana (Rongowhakaata, Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki, Ngāti Tūwharetoa (ki Taupō), Ngāti Tahu-Ngāti Whaoa (Te Arawa)), *in Health and Wellbeing*

Faculty of Architecture and Design Innovation

Bachelor of Design Innovation

- Boudwin**, Baby
- Parkinson**, Cat

Faculty of Education

Master of Education

- Warren**, Poirangi, Whakatōhea (Te Whānau-ā-Apanui, Ngāpuhi), *D*

Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Early Childhood

- Ombler-Vrey**, Rezaan

Graduate Diploma of Teaching (Primary)

- Morton-Jones Goulding**, Mary Teresa (Rongowhakaata)

Faculty of Health

Master of Health

- Mullane-Ronaki**, Nai (Ngāti Pikiao (Te Arawa), Tapuika (Te Arawa), Waitaha (Te Arawa)), *in Health Policy, Planning and Service Delivery, M*
- Proe**, Olivia, *in Health Leadership and Management, M*

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Master of Applied Linguistics

- Alharbi**, Areej, *D*

Master of Arts

- Milligan**, Willow, *in Māori Studies, D*

Master of Indigenous Studies

- Ja-El Huang**, Panay Kumod
- Morgan**, Stacey (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga), *D*
- Thomson-Lawrence**, Ari (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Rākaipaaka, Rongomaiwahine (Te Māhia), Ngāi Tāmanuhiri, Rongowhakaata), *D*
- Van Der Park**, Andre (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Maru (Hauraki)), *D*

Master of Intercultural Communication and Applied Translation

- Chen**, Tia, *D*

Master of Migration Studies

- Nyein**, Thidar, *M*

Master of Strategic Studies

Terry, Benjamin (Ngāti Maniapoto, Ngā Rauru,
Ngāruahine)

Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Do, Kirene

Nguyen, Sage

Bachelor of Arts

‘Unga, Sophia (Ngāti Pikiao (Te Arawa),
Te Ati Haunui-a-Pāpārangī, Ngāti Mutunga
(Taranaki))

Ah-Hi, Hana (also receiving a Diploma in
University Studies (Pasifika Pathways))

Budd, Annie (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa,
Rangitāne (Te Matau-a-Māui/Hawke’s Bay/
Wairarapa))

Coffey, Atlas-Elwyn (Ngāti Maniapoto)

Garcia-Grace, Kimihia (Ngāti Porou,
Ngāti Toarangatira (Te Whanganui-a-Tara/
Wellington))

Graham, Tiana (Ngāti Kauwhata, Ngāti
Raukawa (Horowhenua/Manawatū),
Rangitāne (Manawatū), Ngāti Porou)

Rezwan, Hadi

Stuart, Amanda (Ngāti Raukawa
(Horowhenua/Manawatū))

Wawatai, Hiria (Ngāti Porou)

Diploma in Māoritanga/Tohu Māoritanga

Hokianga, Mana (Ngāti Hako, Te Atiawa
(Te Whanganui-a-Tara/Wellington), Ngāti
Kahungunu ki Heretaunga)

