



Te Komiti Tikanga Matatika
Research Ethics Committee | MIT and Unitec
AGENDA

Date: 19/8/2026

Time: 2pm

Venue: MS Teams

1 Whakatuwheratanga | Opening

Kia tūturu tātou (*Let's be real*)
Kia manaaki tātou (*Let's be caring*)
Kia whai hiranga tātou (*Let's pursue excellence*)
Kia tūhonohono tātou (*Let's connect*)

Whano! Whano!
Haramai te toki!
Haumi ē!
Hui ē!
Taiki ē!

The Chair welcomed all the Committee Members and staff to the meeting.

1.1 Attendance & Apologies

Members:	Role	Present	Apologies	Absent	Proxy
Eric Boamah	Chair				
Daisy Bently-Gray	Deputy-Chair				
Hinewaimarama Reihana-White	Deputy-Chair		X		
Lian Wu	member				
Kaberi Rajendra	member		X		
Diane Tamati	member				
Soheil Pour	member		X		
Tony Gomwe	member				
Caralyn Kemp	member				
Student Rep – Nikiah Rodriguez	member				
Linda Aumua	member		X		
Evangelia Papoutsaki	REC Secretary				

In attendance:

[Full Name]					

RESOLVED: That the apologies be received from

Moved:

Seconded:

CARRIED

1.2 Declaration of Interest

1.3 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on July 15 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved:

Seconded:

CARRIED

1.4 Action Register

2 General Business

2.1 Chairperson's Report

Presenter: Eric Boamah

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLVED: That the committee accepts the Chair's report

Moved:

Seconded:

CARRIED

3 Ethics Applications

[Applications Tracking: [a. Ethics Applications_tracker_2026.docx](#)]

3.1 Current Applications A

2026-1028

Indigenous Dance as Physical Activity and Educational learning

Daisy Bentley-Gray (L. Aumua, L.Wu)

Authorised 19/8/26

Ratified

2026-1041

A Working Partnership

Eric Boamah (L. Aumua, D. Tamati)

2026-1042

What are the experiences of Māori whānau carers navigating support from formal palliative care services when providing end-of-life care?

Diane Tamati (L. Aumua, L. Wu)

2026-1043

Labour Rights Challenges Faced by South Asian Migrants Under the Accredited Employer Work Visa in Aotearoa.

Caralyn Kemp (T. Gomwe, K. Rajendra)

2026-1044

Understanding mental distress among Bangladeshi Women Studying and Working in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Kaberi Rajendra (L. Wu, D. Bentley-Gray)
Authorised 18/8/26

2026-1045

The experience and perceptions of Nepalese migrant staff working in the aged care profession in Aotearoa, New Zealand
Kaberi Rajendra (L. Aumua, C. Kemp)

2026-1046

The influence of cultural identity, cultural connection and acculturation on the wellbeing and the attitudes and behaviours of Sri Lankan migrants in Aotearoa New Zealand in relation to seeking mental healthcare
Daisy Bentley-Gray (S. Pour, L. Wu)

2026-1047

An exploration of how training in cognitive health approaches can be optimised to transfer learning into professional practice
Linda Aumua (K. Rajendra, L. Wu)
Note: Received after the submission deadline; for consideration at the September meeting.

3.2 Previous Applications A

2026-1021

Exploring Financial Literacy among Level 5 Business Ākonga
Caralyn Kemp (T. Gomwe, D. Bentley-Gray)
To be Ratified

2026-1025

Vehicle emission screening study
Caralyn Kemp (T. Gomwe, K. Rajendra)
To be Ratified

2026-1027

Relational Landscapes: Operationalising Vā and Tauhi Vā in Landscape Architecture
E. Boamah (Daisy Bentley- Gray, H. Reihana-White)
To be Ratified

2026-1032

Early Career Researcher 'He Pito Mata' Wānaga Data Collection Project
Lian Wu (H. Reihana-White, K. Rajendra)
Authorized 16/7/26
To be Ratified

2026-1033

A socio-technical cybersecurity framework for Tongan government
D. Bentley-Gray (D. Tamati, S. Pour)
Authorised 16/7/26
To be Ratified

2026-1034

Foot Health Study Phase 2
Note: a well written application overall.

Lian Wu (K. Rajendra, T. Gomwe)

To be Ratified

2026-1036_MIT

Supporting Newly Qualified Neurodiverse Social Workers: Exploring Transition Experiences from Social Work Education into Professional Practice

Lian Wu (L. Aumua, H. Reihana-White)

To be Ratified

2026-1037_MIT

Critical Thinking Journeys

Diane Tamati (T. Gomwe, K. Rajendra)

To be Ratified

2026-1039

Safe Use of Generative AI in Pharmacology Education: Building Critical AI Literacy Among Undergraduate Nursing Students

Eric Boamah (L. Aumua, H. Reihana-White)

To be Ratified

3.3 Form B Applications for Noting

2026-1030

A study to examine the key challenges affecting trust transparency and traceability in New Zealand's organic food supply chain

Caralyn Kemp

To be Noted

2026-1035

Experiences of disability, mental health, neurodiversity and chronic health conditions in the New Zealand veterinary industry

Tony Gomwe

To be Noted

2026-1038

First impressions matter: the importance of communication in PET/CT

Tony Gomwe

To be Noted

2026-1040

Explaining the ChatGPT's Instant Checkout in Agentic Commerce via SEC Framework, Ambiguity Tolerance, and Brand Familiarity: A Moderated Mediation Model

Soheil Pour

Authorised 10/8/2026

To be Noted

3.4 Form C Applications

Application for Ethical Approval for a Research Component of a Teaching Programme.

Nil

4 Matters Arising from Previous Applications

2025-1005

Amendments request
Eric Boamah
Approved 29/6/2026

5 Correspondence

5.2 Following the July Academic Committee meeting, the proposed membership nomination of Daisy Bentley-Gray for Research Ethics Committee was approved on July 20, 2026.

Appointment Basis:

One (1) Member nominated by the Chair, Pacific Academic Advisory Committee, for a period of two (2) years with the possibility of renewal for a second consecutive two (2) year term only.

5.1 Sudipta Ghosh, Master of Applied Technology Program, "Voice-Based Parkinson's Disease Detection with Cross-Dataset and Multilingual Evaluation" is seeking advice for the following:

- 1) Which pathway and form the Committee considers appropriate for a secondary analysis of existing, controlled-access datasets, and whether the low-risk route applies.
- 2) The likely timeframe to a decision, and the next submission deadline. Sudipta's data access application is on hold pending institutional sign-off, so the timing matters for his thesis schedule.
- 3) Whether the Committee would accept the dataset holders' documentation (original IRB approval, participant consent arrangements, Data Use Agreement) as supporting evidence, or whether it needs anything in a particular format.

Special note: Sudipta's research does not involve any data collection. His work consists of analysing existing voice datasets.

RESOLUTION:

That the Ethics Committee receive the Correspondence.

6 Standing Items

6.1 Completion of proposed Terms of Reference (ToR) amendments and finalising of the REC Terms of Reference as proposed by the Māori Advisory Academic Committee (MAAC).

RESOLUTION: Submit to REC ToR with track changes for formal approval to the next AC meeting.

7 Resources

Date of the Next Meeting:

Sept 16, 2026

Whakamutunga | Closing

Ka wehe atu tātou
I raro i te rangimārie
Te harikoa
Me te manawanui
Haumi ē! Hui ē! Taiki ē!

We are departing
Peacefully
Joyfully
And resolute
We are united, progressing forward!

The meeting concluded at

Confirmed as a true and correct record:

Chair: Eric Boamah

Date: 19 August 2026