

## **Welcome Message from the 2012 NZARE Student Caucus Representative**

Kia Ora and Welcome

My name is Saba Kiani and I am your NZARE Student Caucus representative for 2012.

On behalf of the Student Caucus, I would firstly like to thank Marra Neilson, the elected 2011 representative, for all her hard work over the past year. Next I want to thank all the students who voted me for this opportunity. Also, I want to congratulate all those who presented at the NZARE conference in Tauranga and those who attended. It was very nice to meet you all. I look forward to meet many of you at the upcoming annual conference in Sydney.

Briefly, my area of interest lies in the field of teaching and learning English as a foreign language. My current PhD research (University of Auckland) explores English language teaching in Iranian universities. The title of my project is 'The English for Academic Purposes (EAP) programme in a university in Iran: Factors Influencing its Success'.

If you would like to become more involved in the educational research community of New Zealand or have any questions, comments or suggestions please feel free to contact me at [student.rep@nzare.org.nz](mailto:student.rep@nzare.org.nz).

I look forward to serving you, the students of NZARE, in my role as student caucus representative.

Thanks for Visiting

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