



TE HUNGA RANGAHAU MĀTAURANGA O AOTEAROA

NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH IN EDUCATION

# He Pātaka Tuku Kōrero

# NZARE

June

# 2026

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## NZARE Conference 2026

*University of Canterbury  
Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha*

# 16-18



**Our conference theme is based on ngā uara, the University of Canterbury values.**

**Values of valuing people and difference, enhancing and nurturing resources, and extending care and empowerment to others.**

### Keynote speakers

**Professor Hilary Cremin**  
International Keynote Speaker

**Professor Vivienne Anderson**  
Keynote Speaker

**Distinguished Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith**  
Herbison Lecture

**Hana O'Regan and Christine Rubie-Davies**  
Guest panel presentation: **Elevating Empathy**

**Abstract submissions  
Second and final call:  
1st June to 22nd July**

- Submit an abstract [click here](#)

#### 10th June

- Bookings for College Accommodation available

#### 22nd June

- Nominations for awards open

#### 22nd July

- Abstracts close

#### 1 August

- Nominations for awards close

#### 30th August

- Abstracts reviews complete

#### 1st October

- Early Bird registrations close

# Membership 2026/27

Tier 3 and 4 membership  
\$150  
Tier 1 and 2 membership  
\$ 75

SIG fee  
\$0  
Caucus fee  
\$0

## Membership Fees are due for renewal on the 30th June

### Tier 1 and 2 rebated membership \$75 per annum

- Tier 1: Unwaged, retired, student, income below \$50,000 pa
- Tier 2: Income between \$50-100,000 pa

### Tier 3 and 4 membership \$150 per annum

- Tier 3: Income between \$100-150,000 pa
- Tier 4: Income over \$150,000 pa

These two levels of NZARE annual membership fees are intended to cater to the wide range of our members. Those who are employed in full-time positions are asked to maintain full membership. We also offer rebated fees for members who are retired, full-time students, working part-time, etc.

**For more information, please visit our [website](#)**

## Registrations open 1st June

Visit our website for more information and registration: [nzare.org.nz/2026-conference](http://nzare.org.nz/2026-conference)

**All conference attendees need to become a financial member of NZARE for the 2026/27 year.**

**The registration cost is offset by the membership fee already paid.**

*Conference dinner is optional. It is free with full conference registration but for catering purposes we need confirmation when you register if you will be attending.*

Full Conference		
	Early Bird	Standard
Tier 1 and 2	\$375	\$525
Tier 3 and 4	\$750	\$900
Day registration		
Tier 1 and 2		\$160
Tier 3 and 4		\$285

**Register now [click here](#)**

**Submit an abstract [click here](#)**

## Accommodation

Christchurch offers a diverse range of accommodation to suit every travel style, from luxury boutique hotels, mid-range motels and city apartments to budget-friendly holiday parks. Check booking sites like booking.com and Airbnb for ideas.

**[Click here for recommendations](#)**

### UC College House

#### On Campus accommodation option

All accommodation includes single rooms with shared bathroom facilities.

- Newly renovated, comfortable warm single rooms
- Shared bathrooms (1 bathroom for each floor of 5 rooms)
- King single bed with all linen, bedding and towels provided
- Rooms are spread across 11 houses, so each team/group can have their own space
- Accommodation includes the use of wireless internet, and use of facilities including the common room and laundry facilities



**room rate per person  
\$80/night, or \$95  
including breakfast**

**Bookings will be available on the 10th June through Helloclub**

# NZARE 2026 Awards

Please consider nominating a student, past student or colleague, who is also an NZARE member, for one of these awards.

Briefly the awards are:

For PhD theses:

**Sutton Smith:** for an outstanding PhD completed in the last year

**Ranginui Walker:** a high-quality doctoral thesis written in te reo Māori

For masters theses:

**Rae Munro:** an excellent Masters-level thesis

**Outstanding senior scholars:**

**Te Tohu Pae Tawhiti:** a significant contribution to Māori education research

**McKenzie:** significant contribution to educational research and to the NZARE over an extended period of time.

## Nominations open 22nd June

Each award has different documents as part of the nomination. Please visit the [award page](#) to view list of requirements in preparation

**Groups:**

**NZARE group:** a significant educational research project undertaken by a group

**Early childhood specific:**

**Lyn Foote:** a high-quality ECE masters or doctoral thesis.

**Judith Duncan:** significant contribution to ECE research.

**Fellowship:**

NZARE awards includes the category of Fellowship, by application or nomination. The current chair of the NZARE College of Fellows, Professor John O'Neill FNZARE, is happy to respond to any queries from prospective applicants or nominators. Email:

[J.G.ONeill@massey.ac.nz](mailto:J.G.ONeill@massey.ac.nz)

## Sponsorship

We are able to keep conference costs down due to the wonderful support of our sponsors and the hard work of our hosts. If you have contacts who are philanthropists or would like to share the sponsorship package please contact us now

## Future conferences:

If you would like to host conference 2027 or conference 2028, now is the time to start planning. Please get in touch if you think this is something you and your institution could do.



ECE teachers,  
take part in  
our survey!



### Research invitation for ECE teachers

Early childhood teachers and kaiako are invited to take part in a short research survey exploring how ECE teachers are using social networks and online platforms in their professional lives. The study looks at which platforms teachers use, how these spaces support connection and professional learning, and whether there have been recent shifts away from platforms such as Facebook and X (Twitter).

Please read the information sheet attached. Consent needs to be provided and required at the survey link. The online survey takes approximately 15-20 minutes to complete and includes mostly tick-box questions. Participation is voluntary and responses are anonymised.

Access the survey [here](#): For further information, please contact:

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