



TE HUNGA RANGAHAU MĀTAURANGA O AOTEAROA

NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH IN EDUCATION

He Pātaka Tuku Kōrero

NZARE Conference 2026

University of Canterbury
Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha



**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.**

There has been an overwhelming response to our call for
abstracts with over 300 submissions. Please keep an eye on our
website for more information and registration
nzare.org.nz/2026-conference

**All conference attendees need to become a financial
member of NZARE for the 2026/27 year.
You will not be able to register until
membership is completed.**

**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.*

NZARE

July
2026

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10 August

- Nominations for awards close

30th August

- Abstracts reviews complete

1st September

- Student travel grant deadline

1st October

- Early bird registrations close

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](#)

Membership 2026/27

Tier 3 and 4 membership
\$150

Tier 1 and 2 membership
\$ 75

SIG fee
\$0

Caucus fee
\$0

Membership Fees are now due

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](#)

2026 Student travel grant

Each year NZARE encourages student members to attend the annual conference by making travel grants available. To be eligible you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a paid up Student Member of NZARE
- Be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institution at least half-time and in less than half-time paid employment
- Be the first author of a paper or round table discussion that has been accepted for presentation at the conference (you may apply prior to abstracts being accepted, but acceptance is required for payment)
- Complete the application form before 5pm 1st September

Apply [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**

**You must have an NZARE
profile to book**

Book [here](#)

**Limited rooms
available**

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 close 10th August

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:

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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 [download it here](#).

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.