

8. Awards

Awards include Formal Awards and Non-formal Awards.

8.1 Formal Awards

Formal Awards are for qualifications and programmes approved by NZQA. Te Pūkenga may award the following:

- Doctoral Degree
- Master's Degree
- Postgraduate Diploma
- Postgraduate Certificate
- Bachelor Honours Degree
- Graduate Diploma
- Graduate Certificate
- Bachelor's Degree
- Conjoint or Double Bachelor's Degree
- Diploma (Level 7)
- New Zealand Diploma (Levels 5 – 7)
- New Zealand Certificate (Levels 1 – 6)
- Micro-credential

8.2 Non-formal Awards

Non-formal Awards are for non-formal learning or short courses. Te Pūkenga may issue the following:

- Certificate of Achievement
- Certificate of Attendance
- Certificate of Participation
- Certificate of Proficiency
- Digital Badges

8.3 Eligibility for Awards

Ākonga are eligible to be granted an award and will be confirmed and conferred when

- a. They have met the requirements for the award as set out in the relevant Programme Regulations
- b. Any other mandatory requirements have been met.
- c. All relevant fees have been paid

8.4 Award of Honours, Distinction or Merit

- a. Award of Honours:
 - i. Te Pūkenga may grant a Master degree with Honours as set out in the Programme Regulations.
- b. Award of Merit and Distinction:

- i. Te Pūkenga may grant an award at Level 7 or above with Merit or Distinction as set out in the Programme Regulations.

8.5 Certificates and Academic Transcripts

- a. Certificates are issued in English and Te Reo Māori. The format of the certificates is set out in the Award Procedures (*to be developed*)
- b. The graduate's legal name, as recorded in Te Pūkenga records, appears on their certificate
- c. Te Pūkenga will provide ākonga with an official record (academic transcript) of their academic history.

8.6 Compassionate Awards

- a. Posthumous and compassionate awards may be granted where at least 75% of the programme has been successfully completed.
- b. Posthumous award decisions will be made in discussion with the whānau.
- c. Posthumous and compassionate awards may be approved by Te Pūkenga Council on a case-by-case basis.

8.7 Granting of Special Honour and Recognition Awards

- a. Special honour and recognition awards may be granted by Te Pūkenga Council as a mark of esteem and to recognise outstanding contributions to Te Pūkenga or the wider community.

8.8 Cancellation of Awards

- a. Te Pūkenga may refuse to confirm an award or may rescind an award if satisfied that
 - i. the requirements were not fully met
 - ii. the award was affected by an ākonga integrity matter
 - iii. the ākonga made a materially untrue or misleading statement related to gaining the award
 - iv. the ākonga is guilty of a serious breach or dishonest practice in relation to the award.
- b. Te Pūkenga may rescind any award conferred or issued in error.
- c. Revoking an award is regarded as final and the learner record will be amended.
- d. Cancellation of awards decisions are made by the delegated authority.