

LIDLAW COLLEGE
Te Wananga Amorangi

646.715 Māori Christianity II
Course Outline

NQF Level: 7
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

Auckland

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course introduces students to Christianity with emphasis upon mōteatea, concepts and principles. It locates an indigenous Māori approach to hermeneutics within the broader scope of Christian theology. It weaves together the threads of Bible, theology, spiritual insight, experience, and culture in Māori perspective to develop a framework for engaging the Gospel in contemporary Aotearoa New Zealand.

Course pre-requisites and co-requisites

There are no co-requisites or pre-requisites for this course.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the course, students should be able:

1. Appreciatively evaluate the place of mōteatea within the cultural structures of oral societies and of Mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge) literature, using kaupapa Māori guidelines for research with reference to the Text of the Unesco Convention 2003;
2. Articulate a preferred role for mōteatea within Māori society and the church in bi-cultural Aotearoa New Zealand, in the light of the teachings of Christ and the New Testament on the sanctity of speech;
3. Demonstrate skill in locating credible resources on the nature, function, style, and role of mōteatea today;
4. Exegete the traditional and current significance of selected mōteatea passages;
5. Use appropriate hermeneutical principles on their exegesis of both selected mōteatea and selected biblical passages;
6. Locate and gather information about the background to selected mōteatea belonging to their own hapū/iwi or from literature on selected popular mōteatea;
7. Outline a process for the composition of a Christian mōteatea and offer suggestions for its use.