

Tihei Mauri Ora!

Service to others

He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai

If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive



Professor Ngapare Hopa, of Tainui and Tuwharetoa, the first Māori woman to receive a doctorate from Oxford University, and former Head of Department of Māori Studies at the University of Auckland says of her fellow academics, “we need to become our tribe’s future academic community - ***the intellectual engine for leadership, growth, and development***”.

A community of scholars can make a meaningful contribution by putting into practice important shared values, and can provide for strong creative leadership, for intelligent thought, reason, critical and analytical reasoning that supports whānau, hapū and iwi long into the future. One of the great underlying principles governing our lives today is the joy that comes from being of service to others. Most of us have to work, but whom do we serve? Do we work for a living, and for the benefit of others? Or do we merely work for ourselves, in order to make a living? It’s a truism - finding one’s self, begins with first losing one’s self in the service of whānau, hapū and iwi. Kia pai tō wiki!



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