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Bio

Researcher and academic, Professor Linda Waimarie Nikora was formerly the Director of the Maori & Psychology Research Unit in the School of Psychology at the University of Waikato in New Zealand. Since October 2017, she has taken up the position of Professor Indigenous Studies at the University of Auckland where she is also Co-Director of Nga Pae o te Maramatanga, New Zealand's Maori Centre of Research Excellence.

Her specialty interest is in the development of indigenous psychologies to serve the interests and aspirations of indigenous peoples. She has been involved in research about Maori flourishing; Tangi : Māori ways of mourning; traditional body modification; ethnic status as a stressor; Māori identity development; cultural safety and competence; Māori mental health and recovery; social and economic determinants of health; homelessness; relational health; social connectedness; and human flourishing.