

Call for Expressions of Interest:

Research Director (Tauīwi)

Vine – Violence Information Aotearoa

Summary

- Contract Type: Fixed Term 1 Year (Appointment initially for 1 year pending ongoing funding)
- This is a 0.1 – 0.2 FTE position, working 4–8 hours per week (depending on availability of successful appointee) in support of this role. Academics or researchers could negotiate an employment arrangement on a fixed term University of Auckland contract for service or a buy-back arrangement with their parent institution.
- Location: New Zealand Wide
- Applicants welcome from all NZ universities, research entities or other relevant sector organisations.
- These roles can be filled by any suitable academic with relevant research expertise in family and/or sexual violence.

Company Description:

Vine – Violence information Aotearoa

Vine – Violence Information Aotearoa (formerly known as the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse) is the national centre for family violence and sexual violence research and information. Vine was launched in 2005 in association with Te Rito: New Zealand Family Violence Prevention Strategy. Te Rito was developed in 2002 as a plan of action to reduce and eliminate family violence in Aotearoa New Zealand. Vine is based at the Public Policy institute at the University of Auckland. Funding for Vine is provided by the Executive Board for the Elimination of Family Violence and Sexual Violence.

Overview

As part of our journey towards placing te Tiriti o Waitangi at the centre of what we do, in 2021 Vine appointed two Research Co-Directors (Māori/Tauīwi). As our Tauīwi Research Co-Director steps back to focus more fully on research, we are seeking a new Research Co-Director to contribute to the ongoing development of Vine. The Research Co-Directors work collaboratively with our Vine Advisory Groups and the Vine



Kaiwhakahaere/Manager, with the overall goal of building and communicating strong evidence-based insights for the prevention and effective response to family violence and sexual violence in Aotearoa.

The purpose of this position is to strategically advise on direction and priorities for Vine and bring credibility and mana to discussions about family violence and sexual violence.

This includes:

- Being a strong ambassador to ensure the success of Vine, influencing policy, practice and behaviour change.
- Drawing attention to current research and identifying where insights need to be developed further around aspects of family violence and sexual violence;
- Supporting knowledge mobilisation activities that are effective in influencing various levels of policy development, practice change and transformation of individual behaviours and attitudes;
- Identifying key priorities for Vine including developing implementation plans with the Vine Kaiwhakahaere/Manager and Research Co-Director Māori.

Responsibilities

- Demonstrate leadership in academic research related to family and/or sexual violence
- Provide academic oversight of Vine research outputs
- Support the Kaiwhakahaere to ensure that Vine builds its capacity to support and promote mātauranga Māori and Kaupapa Māori research
- Support the Vine team to ensure analysis and research outputs contribute towards improved outcomes for whānau, hapū, iwi, hapori and communities
- Develop and maintain key stakeholder relationships with tangata whenua, family/sexual violence sectors and government
- Support the development of Vine funding applications

This is an advisory appointment for either a senior academic (likely at Senior Lecturer level or above but negotiable depending on the candidate) or a suitably qualified and experienced professional Research entity candidate with key leadership responsibility.



Mō tō mātou rōpū | About the team

Reporting through to the Vine Kaiwhakahaere/Manager, you will be working closely with the Research Co-Director Māori, Advisory Groups, the Director of the Public policy Institute and the wider Vine team. [You can read more about our team and Advisory Groups here.](#)

He kōrero mōu | About you

Ideal candidates bring credibility and mana to discussions about family and sexual violence. They have a strong ability to strategically advise direction and priority. Your credibility in family violence and/or sexual violence research, and your ability to be a strong ambassador, will ensure the success of the Vine, influencing policy, practice and behaviour change.

Important Skills/ Experience| Ngā Pūkenga Motuhake

- Academic or Research experienced; respected and seen as an educationally / emotionally intelligent leader in family and sexual violence.
- A demonstrated commitment to embedding the principles of Te Tiriti in your work.
- Knowledge of te reo me ōna tikanga
- Ability to assess the credibility of current research and identify the need for further insights on key issues pertaining to family violence and sexual violence.
- Good strategic thinkers around policy and research insight developments
- A consultative and collaborative approach with a natural ability to build lasting stakeholder relationships and partnerships.
- Strong ability to influence with a highly effective communication style, both written and verbal
- Be highly motivated, self-managing and exceptionally well organised.

Qualifications

Candidates for the Research Co-Director Tauwiwi role will have a strong family violence and/or sexual violence focus to their academic and research background. Given the cross-sectoral and cross disciplinary nature of family violence and sexual violence, this may be situated within a variety of academic disciplines including (but not limited to) Social Work, Population Health, Psychology, Sociology, Criminology, Māori/Indigenous Studies, Health or Education.



Me pēhea te tuku tono | How to apply

Expressions of interest should be emailed to Charlotte.Moore@auckland.ac.nz, before **5pm Monday 15th of September**. Please include an up-to-date CV and cover letter outlining what strengths you will bring to this role.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Charlotte at the email above for a confidential conversation.

