

Our Shared Values: Māori and Pacific

It is our responsibility as people of the land and moana to uphold climate action in our mahi and ensure best practices, as the guardians of both Indigenous knowledges and te ao tūroa (the natural world). This responsibility is a way of being and doing as Indigenous peoples, including the revitalisation of our Indigenous languages. This is because our cultures, our peoples and the taiao (the environment) are integrated thus identifying the climate issues at hand.

Indigenous peoples create solutions to these issues, which need to be understood from an Indigenous perspective. This includes whakapapa and is inter-generational, linking the past with the present and future. These shared values reflect our obligations and responsibilities to uphold the mana of our Indigenous peoples and our information institutions through climate action.

- **Whanaungatanga, Solesolevaki**
Genuine care for each other (shared value), whānau-centred relationships, often established through acknowledgement of whakapapa but also expectations that we honour and respect one another like a whānau. Reciprocal and collaborative engagements and projects.
- **Aroha, Alofa**
The value of Aroha represents the ongoing concern and valuing of people, te ao tūroa and collections. These are all examples of treasured taonga. These examples are akin to taonga tuku iho, treasures that are handed down by the generations, and so we have a duty to protect people, places and collections from climate change across all of our communities as Information Professionals.
- **Manaakitanga, Tautua**
Service through hospitality and support (shared value). We aim to manaaki our guests, our patrons, through their information and cultural needs. To be inclusive as much as possible and prioritise Pacific and Māori voices. Support that Indigenous Librarians give and the responsibility of protecting the environment and taonga that we share and care for.
- **Ngākau māhaki, Vakarokoroko**
This value represents the respect we have for each other and our differing knowledge systems, using the best of Indigenous and Western sciences to combat climate change and bring about safer, more creative and long-lasting experiences for our patrons and their information needs. Advocacy to amplify the Indigenous voices, to negotiate climate action i.e. policies and outreach.
- **Kaitiakitanga, Ko e tagata leveki**
Custodianship (shared value). To uphold the mana of the whenua, moana and everything in between. We take this seriously. To be a kaitiaki, is to both protect and uphold the mana of our collections and materials, our taonga within information institutions.
- **Mahi Kotahitanga, Ngāue Fakataha**
Partner and work with Indigenous communities and organisations to find ways to come together, connect and collaborate. We can be familiar with each other and know what each group brings, to learn and liaise with climate campaigns, mahi underway and organisations.
- **Tikanga**
Consideration and respect of others' beliefs and customs (shared value), where appropriate and to uphold tikanga Māori as the protocols and procedures of this land as instigated by the tangata whenua across the institution's rohe (region).