

Head of School of Design
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Job Title Head of School of Design
Department School of Design
Institution University of Waikato
Hamilton, Waikato, New Zealand

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Application Deadline Dec. 9, 2024

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Department Head/Head/Chair

Academic Field(s) Design - Graphic Design/Illustration
Design - Product Design
Design - Jewellery Design
Design - Fashion & Textile Design
Design - Interior Design
Design - Industrial Art/Design

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Job Description

- Strategic Leadership role
- Competitive compensation and benefits - generous leave entitlement, up to 6.75% employer contributions
- Hamilton, Waikato

Ngā kōrero mō te tūranga - About the role

This newly established role offers an opportunity to provide academic leadership, co-ordination and advocacy for teaching and learning across the School of Design. You will be pivotal to creating a cohesive School of Design from the existing Design programmes of study, taught in different parts of the University.

You will increase student numbers and research income; advance further the quality of teaching and research; develop and foster links with industry and other external stakeholders to enhance the impact and influence of our research and the opportunities for our students and staff. As a distinctive and forward-looking institution, our emphasis on bicultural approaches is a strand that runs through our research and education, and you will be expected proactively, to support initiatives in this area.

The appointment will be made at Professor level in the discipline of Creative Design and will be a continuing full-time position. The Head of School of Design role will be for a fixed term of three years with the possibility of extension by mutual agreement.

Salary will be based on the skills, knowledge and experience brought to the position. For more information on the role please see the [position description](#) or for a confidential conversation about the role, please contact Geoff Holmes, Pro Vice-Chancellor of the Division of Science, Engineering and Computing by email: geoffrey.holmes@waikato.ac.nz

Ko wai koe? - Who are you?

You are an experienced academic, with a strong track record in research and teaching in Design programmes and successful experience in leading teams and initiatives. Your research and teaching will be credible, and you will be actively engaged in the worlds of scholarship and education.

As Head of School you will be a strong leader, with experience bringing people and teams together to

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deliver innovation and change, with an ability to think strategically about future directions; communicate collaboratively; and organise and deliver programmes of work effectively.

Ko wai m?tou? - Who are we?

Initially the School of Design will sit within the Division of Engineering, Computing and Science, which comprises the schools of Engineering; Computing and Mathematical Sciences and Science. The schools in the Division offer quality academic programmes at undergraduate level, and a range of programmes from across both taught and research postgraduate. Our programmes are research-informed and delivered through high quality academic staff catering for domestic and international students.

He aha ng? take me tono mai ai koe? - Why should you apply for this position?

We want you to be part of our growth and success! Our University stands proudly on the world stage as a provider of future-focused, international education and an active player in global research. Our rankings reflect these strengths. Working with us means you'll enjoy a satisfying work environment with many [benefits](#).

The University of Waikato is distinctive for the diversity of its staff and students, and encourages applicants with the relevant capabilities from all backgrounds to apply. Applicants must have the legal right to live and work in NZ in accordance with the NZ Immigration regulations which can be found [here](#).

Ko te Tangata - For the People

The University of Waikato prides itself on the quality of its engagement with the communities that it serves, the provision of a world-class education and the national and international impact of its research. Our policies are guided by the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and equal opportunity for all.

E herea ana te Whare W?nanga ki te kaupapa kia whakaratohia te mea angit? ?rite ki ng? t?ngata katoa.

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