

This is an application for **Research Analyst Sensitive Claims, Ministry of Education** (fixed term 12 months @ \$86,939 pa + 3% kiwisaver - work from home).

Research expertise

I have written various research articles / seminars, masters theses, doctoral theses with academic affiliation in NZ, Australia, and the USA. I have a co-authored publication in an edited collection with Oxford University Press.

High Quality and Timeliness

My full time undergrad and honours GPA is 8.6 (part way between an A and an A+). I neither asked for nor was given any extensions. The co-authored publication came out on time because every person involved did their work in a timely fashion.

Qualitative Analysis

The subjects I advanced the most at University were Philosophy, Psychology, and English Literature. My focus was on qualitative analysis. I have excellent verbal and written reading comprehension, analysis, and production skills. I have presented more than a dozen seminars to international conferences where audience was typically undergraduate students through to professors. I have experience lecturing, and running small group tutorials at University level, particularly with first year students. I am able to write for the 'general educated reader' with roughly or broadly university entrance levels of reading and listening comprehension. I am also able to write to professors across various specialist fields in Philosophy and Psychology (including Clinical Psychology).

Teamwork

My co-authored publication was a teamwork exercise. While I was studying for doctorate in Australia I had part-time work in hospitality at University House which involved catering for University functions and events. From conferences (from the University and Parliament and Government Departments) to weddings and Vice Chancellor Dinners to alumni fundraisers. I have supplied references to attest to my willingness to be a team player. I am collaborative rather than competitive by nature.

Diversity

My second masters was on 'disability and equity for medicine and public health' where I consider the equally important interests of a diverse range of equity groups. When I was 14 I was fortunate to be placed in foster care with Sue and Alf Hotu in Te Awamutu. They had a girls-home type of environment where up to 5 girls could be placed in their care short to long term. They treated us like the family that they never had together after they became Christian. I was fortunate to be able to spend time on Marae with them in a safe family environment and also spend time with them at Pathways Accommodation for mental health clients as they worked there part-time and would take us along with them sometimes. I mean to say I have experience personally that informs my professionalism.

This Role

I have the ability to copy and paste. I would imagine that people paid considerably more than \$80,000 per year will be supplying template responses full of choice phrases such as 'we do not accept your complaint at this time' and 'we cannot see anything wrong with what happened' and 'it was your fault' and 'it is all very very particular and personal against you and not a matter of public interest at all' and 'you asked for it' and so on. I suppose that one copies and pastes from templates such as these and that the government then tells international community that it is in fact upholding everything it needs to do. I don't know why you don't simply forward all the complaints to Chris Whelan's inbox (in his capacity as CE of the New Zealand Vice Chancellor's Committee) so that he can respond to the pre-school, primary school, intermediate school, and secondary school complaints of wrong-doing comparably to how he responds to the complaints of wrongdoing within NZ Universities. Alternatively, perhaps the Office of the Ombudsman else the Police Prosecutors Unit can simply provide the templates. I suppose ideally you simply get an IT worker to ensure that no person can pass the bot test to hit 'submit' on the complaint form. They could make you a database of people who have complained, also, so the government can target them for ongoing abuse at the hands of the state. Maybe get police to follow them up close or pop them in 'hospital' in the secure ward where nobody is allowed to visit.

