

STAFF TRUST AWARD 2007

Thomas Cochrane Centre for Teaching and Learning Innovation

Research – Emerging Researcher

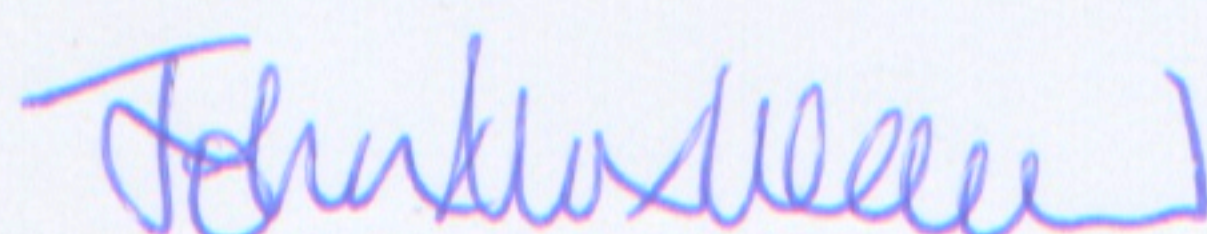
This award of \$1,250 is given in recognition of the recipient's significant research contribution which has supported the goals and foci of their school or programme and which has made a significant contribution to external communities and the knowledge base of the discipline. The research also critically engages with Maori knowledge and values and contributes to the Maori community.

Citation

Thomas Cochrane has made an outstanding contribution as an emerging researcher in the field of teaching and learning, with a specific focus on developing and evaluating multimedia and e-learning objects over the past few of years.

He has initiated and is engaged in several joint research projects with Unitec lecturers, promoting the idea of using mobile technologies to improve student learning. Thomas is currently undertaking a TEC funded collaborative research project on "Innovation in e-learning" lead by Massey University and, in collaboration with CPIT, is awaiting for approval for TEC funding for a research project on "Developing m-learning Guiding Principles". The project will attract funds of over \$400,000.

His reputation as a researcher has seen him invited by a number of NZ Tertiary Institutions to run workshops and share his expertise and knowledge with their staff. He has been a prolific presenter at numerous conferences, nationally and internationally and has published a number of refereed papers in academic journals as well as on the web. In his spare time he is working on his doctorate in Educational Technologies through Monash University.



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