**Review of Vagahau Niue unit standards by December 2023**

***In collaboration with, and on behalf of the sector, NZQA National Qualifications Services is facilitating the review of the unit standards.***

**Purpose**

The purpose of the unit standards review is to ensure they are:

1. fit for purpose and still relevant to current and future learners
2. meeting the needs of learners and the wider community
3. meet current New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) Rules: [Directory of Assessment and Skill Standards Listing and Operational Rules 2022](file:///C:\Users\VAGAHAU%20NIUE%20REVIEW%2031%20DECEMBER%202023\1.%20Terms%20of%20Reference%20-%20VN%20working%20panel%202023.docx) and [NZQCF Qualification and Micro-credential Listing and Operational Rules 2022](https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/rules-fees-policies/nzqa-rules/qualification-and-micro-credentials/)

When the review process gets underway the **Pasifika Advisory Assessment Group (PAAG)** will provide strategic oversight and direction. At all stages in the review, stakeholders will be kept informed by email and invited to contribute feedback and suggestions.

**Working Panel** will be convened to review the current unit standards from September to November 2023. The review will be conducted:

* in the best interests of the whole sector, acknowledging that members will have been appointed as coming from distinct parts of the secondary, tertiary sectors and fluent Vagahau Niue language experts.

**The working panel will have collectively:**

* an understanding of the need for and use of Vagahau Niue unit standards.
* an understanding of the New Zealand Qualifications Credentials Framework (NZQCF), and review process
* expertise in languages OR language assessment OR first language speaker

**Each panel member will have:**

* + direct and recent expertise in and experience with the unit standards being reviewed
  + understanding of, the purpose of the unit standards, and the needs of learners and their pathways
  + credibility, prestige, and mana within the community, secondary / tertiary sector(s), relevant stakeholder groups, or with NZQA
  + willingness to be an effective voice and to achieve consensus.

Secondary schools may release teachers to contribute to this review process. They can invoice NZQA to cover the cost of a relieving teacher (TRD). Secondary teachers who attend panel meetings in their own time may claim the equivalent TRD payment.

The Working Panel may meet face-to-face OR be convened via Teams videoconference.

You are welcome to attach any further information and / or documents that will support your application.

Please send this application to [nqs@nzqa.govt.nz](mailto:nqs@nzqa.govt.nz) **by Thursday the 21st of September 2023, at 5pm.**

**Working Panel - Expressions of Interest**

**Please use this form to express interest in contributing to the review process.**

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| **Name of applicant or nominee** |  | |
| **Nominating person/organisation**  *(Where applicable)* |  | |
| **Position and organisation** |  | |
| **Email address** | Preferred:  Alternate: | |
| **Telephone numbers**  *(Include daytime contact)* | Preferred:  Alternate: | |
| **Postal address** |  | |
| **Relevant associations and affiliations** |  | |
| **Do you have technology that will let you take part in meetings via Teams?**  Yes  No | | |
| **Indicate which unit standard level/s you have an interest in contributing to:** | | |
| **Level 1** Vagahau Niue unit standards | | |
| **Level 2** Vagahau Niue unit standards | | |
| **Level 3** Vagahau Niue unit standards | | |
| **Level 4** Vagahau Niue unit standards | | |
| **Please address your suitability for membership of the Working Panel against the above criteria.** | | |
| An understanding of the need for and use of Vagahau Niue unit standards. | |  |
| An understanding of the New Zealand Qualifications Credentials Framework (NZQCF) and review process | |  |
| Expertise in languages, language assessment and / or first language speaker | |  |
| Direct and recent expertise in and experience with the Vagahau Niue unit standards being reviewed | |  |
| Understands the purpose of the Vagahau Niue unit standards, and the needs of learners and their educational pathways | |  |
| Describe your standing in the community i.e., involvement, credibility, prestige, and mana within the secondary / tertiary sector(s), relevant stakeholder groups, or with NZQA | |  |
| Willingness to be an effective voice and to achieve consensus | |  |