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SECTION A: PARTIES - NGĀ PĀTI

BETWEEN The Vice-Chancellor, Waipapa Taumata Rau | The University of
Auckland ("the Employer" or "the University")

AND E tū Incorporated and the NZ Tertiary Education Union Inc ("TEU"), (the Unions).

SECTION B: COVERAGE OF THE AGREEMENT - TE HŌKAITANGA O TE KIRIMANA

B1 COVERAGE

- B1.1 This agreement shall apply to those union members who are employed by the Employer in those positions described in B2.
- B1.2 The Employer shall advise current Employees whose work comes within the coverage of this agreement and who are not party to this agreement at its date of commencement and new Employees who are appointed during the term of this collective to any of the occupations listed in B.2 that they can join this collective agreement by joining E tū or TEU.
- B1.3 This agreement shall form the minimum terms and conditions of employment for staff covered by this agreement. Nothing in this agreement shall restrict the Employer from providing more favourable term(s) and condition(s) than those prescribed in this agreement.
- B1.4 Provided the new Employee agrees the Employer will provide TEU and E tū with the names of new Employees who are appointed to positions covered by this agreement.

B2 OCCUPATIONAL CLASSES

- B2.1 Horticulturist Team Leader is a qualified horticulturist who has responsibility for leading horticulture/gardening staff, as described in the position description.
- B2.2 Horticulturist is an Employee appointed to an established horticulturist position, with a relevant horticulture qualification that will enable the planning and execution of annual maintenance and development plans of horticulture areas.
- B2.3 Gardener is an Employee who possesses the necessary skill, knowledge and experience to carry out their duties, as described in the position description.
- B2.4 University Security Team Leader is a qualified University Security Officer who has responsibility for leading University Security Officers as described in the position description.
- B2.5 University Security Officers
A University Security Officer is an Employee who possesses the necessary skill, knowledge and experience to carry out their duties as described in the position description.

- B2.6 Control Room Operators
A Control Room Operator is an Employee who possesses the necessary skill, knowledge and experience to carry out their duties as described in the position description.
- B2.7 University Security Services Coordinator
A University Security Services Coordinator is an Employee who possesses the necessary skill, knowledge and experience to carry out their duties as described in the position description.

B3 HISTORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- B3.1 The University security service is grounded in the old custodian roles. When the custodian system was replaced by more specialist services, guards were appointed to provide services to the Grafton, Tamaki and City campuses with a focus on security, resulting in the formation of the Unisafe brand. The Unisafe roles developed over time to include additional security responsibilities with a primary emphasis on the
security management of the Universities grounds, car parks and buildings.
- B3.2 However, more recently, the Security Officer role has become strongly focused on security, safety, and pastoral care for students and staff in response to legislation changes in 2010. In 2013 the University rebranded Unisafe as University Security to reflect the complexity and diversity of these roles and the continuing focus on staff and students, which has superseded the need of the Unisafe brand. Whilst Unisafe brand remains an important part of the history, the evolution of the service means it does not adequately reflect the role and responsibilities of the University Security Officer.
- B3.3 The Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland Security Officers are identified by their distinctive University uniform which reflects the fact that they are dedicated Employees of the University and provide an integral service.

SECTION C: VARIATIONS OF AGREEMENT - NGĀ TANGITANGA O TE KIRIMANA

- C1 The parties to this agreement may agree to vary any or all of its provisions during the term of this agreement, subject to the E tū and TEU ratification processes. Any agreed variation will be recorded in writing and signed by the parties.

SECTION D: TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT- HERENGA Ā-MAHI

D1 CATEGORIES OF EMPLOYEE

- D1.1 Full-time Employee
All Employees working on a continuing basis for the full hours defined in this agreement.
- D1.2 Part-time Employee
All Employees working on a continuing basis but for less than the full hours defined in this agreement. Part-time employees receive the entitlements of this agreement on a pro-rata basis.
- D1.3 Fixed Term Employee
Shall mean those engaged for a specified limited term, or for a specified project or to replace an Employee who is on Parental Leave. The employment under a fixed term arrangement must be for genuine reasons, based on reasonable grounds and will state the reason for the employment ending and when or how it will end

and the reasons for it ending that way. A genuine purpose for a fixed term agreement does not include establishing the suitability of the Employee for permanent work or to exclude or limit the rights of an Employee under the Holidays Act 2003.

D2 ABANDONMENT OF EMPLOYMENT

- D2.1 When an Employee is absent from work for a continuous period of more than three working days without notification to the Employer, the Employee shall be deemed to have abandoned employment. Where an Employee was unable through no fault of that Employee to notify the Employer, employment shall not be deemed to have been abandoned.

D3 TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

- D3.1 For Employees other than fixed term employees, written notice of termination shall be two weeks by either party but this may be reduced by mutual agreement. For fixed term employees notice will be deemed to have been given at the time a finishing date is agreed.
- D3.1.1 This shall not prevent the Employer from summarily dismissing an Employee for serious misconduct. (Refer to clause I6)
- D3.2 Each Employee upon termination shall on request be provided with a certificate of service within a reasonable period.
- D3.3 Employees to be declared redundant shall receive not less than two months' notice of termination of their employment. Their Union will be notified at the same time that notice of termination of employment is given to the Employee. A copy of the Redundancy Provisions is attached (**Appendix A**).
- D3.4 If the Employee's employment is terminated, or the Employee retires or resigns, they shall have the option to work out their notice period where that is practicable. The Employer shall make a payment in lieu of notice to the Employee, where the Employer determines it is not practicable for the Employee to work out their notice period.

D4 SUPERANNUATION

- D4.1 University Employees may belong to UniSaver New Zealand, in accordance with the provisions of that scheme.
- D4.2 Where the Employee is a contributor to the Government Superannuation Fund the University will continue to make contributions to the Fund. Members of the fund are bound by the provisions of that scheme.

D5 MEDICAL AND FITNESS EXAMINATIONS

- D5.1 Before an appointment to a position as a University Security Team Leader, University Security Officer or Control Room Operator, an applicant may be required to undergo a full medical examination, by a qualified medical practitioner of the Employer's choice and at the Employer's expense, to ensure that they are suitably healthy and able to undertake the duties required of the position.
- D5.2 Annually, (or deemed as to be required), the Employer may require University Security Team Leaders, University Security Officers or Control Room Operators to undergo a full medical examination, by a qualified medical practitioner of the Employer's choice and at the Employer's expense, to ensure they are suitably healthy and able to continue undertaking the duties required of the position.
- D5.3 University Security Team Leaders, University Security Services Coordinator, University Security Officers and Control Room Operators will be required to participate in periodic health and wellness sessions to benefit Employees' physical and mental wellness.

D6 SECURITY LICENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- D6.1 University Security Team Leaders, University Security Officers and Control Room Officers will be required to obtain and maintain a Certificate of Approval (COA) during their employment as a University Security team member as per the Private Security Personnel and Private Investigators Act 2010. Failure to do so may result in termination of employment.
- D6.2 University Security Team Leaders, University Security Officers and Control Room Officers will be required to obtain a minimum of New Zealand Certificate in Security (foundation) level 3 manned guarding within 12 months of employment. Team Leaders will be required to have New Zealand Certificate in Security (Advanced) Level 4 within 12 months of employment in the position. The costs of obtaining these qualifications will be met by the Employer.

D7 MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- D7.1 During the term of this agreement the Employer shall continue to act as a good employer in all dealings with the Employee. This includes providing;
- (a) Good and safe working conditions; and
 - (b) An equal employment opportunities programme; and
 - (c) The impartial selection of suitably qualified persons for appointment; and
 - (d) Recognition of
 - i. The aims and aspirations of Māori; and
 - ii. The employment requirements of Māori; and
 - iii. The need for greater involvement of Māori in the tertiary sector; and
 - (e) Opportunities for the enhancement of the abilities of individual employees; and
 - (f) Recognition of the aims and aspirations and employment requirements and the cultural differences, of ethnic or minority groups; and
 - (g) Recognition of the employment requirements of women; and
 - (h) Recognition of the employment requirements of persons with disabilities.
- D7.2 The Employee shall during the continuance of the employment:
- (a) Diligently and faithfully serve the Employer and endeavour to promote and protect the interests of the University, and to act in a collegial manner.
 - (b) Carry out and comply with all the Employer's reasonable and lawful directions.
 - (c) Diligently perform the duties as agreed between the Employer and the employee, and fulfil obligations to students.
 - (d) Comply with all the University's statutes, guidelines and policies, which may be amended by the Employer from time to time following appropriate consultation with and on reasonable notice to TEU, E tū and employees.
- D7.3 The Employer shall comply with the following participatory processes when reviewing University policies relating to discipline (I6), and development and performance (F3.2):
- (a) The Employer shall inform the unions of its intention to review such policies and enter into discussions regarding the appropriate conduct of the review;
 - (b) The union shall appoint representative members to participate in the review on behalf of union members and have the right to seek timely advice from the union members they are representing during the course of the review;
 - (c) Such representatives shall participate collegially and cooperatively in the review.

SECTION E: HOURS OF WORK - HĀORA MAHI

E1 HOURS OF WORK

E1.1 For staff covered under this agreement, hours of work shall be defined as follows:

(a) Horticulturalist Team Leaders, Horticulturalists and Gardeners
Forty hours shall constitute an ordinary weeks work, to be worked on no more than five consecutive eight hour days of the week, nor on less than four 10-hour days, Monday to Friday inclusive and between 0600 and 1800 hours, as mutually agreed between the Employer and Employee.

(b) University Security Team Leaders, University Security Officers and Control Room Operators Shall work specified shifts on a five week roster and which will average forty hours per week over the duration of each five week cycle of the roster. Each shift shall be one of either eight or twelve hours paid at ordinary rates, inclusive of the crib rest breaks, as per the roster.

(c) Control Room Operators
Principal Control Room Operators shall work specified shifts on a three week roster and which will average forty hours per week over the duration of each three week cycle of the roster, inclusive of the crib rest breaks.

Team shift Control Room Operators shall if rostered work specified shifts of the five week roster, inclusive of the crib rest breaks.

All rostered shifts worked will be paid at ordinary rates.

E1.2 Shifts shall be worked as determined by the Employer to meet operational requirements. Any proposed change to the shift roster system will be advised to the union and staff affected, and consultation in good faith shall be undertaken before any changes are implemented.

E1.3 Team Leaders, Control Room Operators and University Security Officers when employed on a shift roster, will be advised of the shift roster at least three months in advance. The roster will be displayed in a prominent location. The Employer will have the right to amend shift rosters to accommodate unplanned staff absences and to ensure effective utilization of staff resources. Newly appointed (meaning within the first 6 months of initial appointment) University Security Officers will be excluded from the three-month notification period, in order to ensure that adequate training on all shifts, campuses and sectors is undertaken as part of their training requirements. This is to ensure they become competent within the six-month training period.

E1.4 In the situation where a staff shortage, local incident or an unplanned event occurs, University Security Officers (including Team Leaders and Control Room Operators) may be directed to another sector or campus of the Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland or the control room (if properly trained). Free return transport from the normal place of work to another campus will be provided by the Employer, during paid time.

E2 OVERTIME

E2.1 Employees shall be compensated for all authorised overtime at the rate of time and a half of the Employee's hourly rate of pay.

E2.2 University Security Team Leaders, University Security Officers and Control Room Operators (five week roster) who work in excess of eight or twelve ordinary paid hours in each shift (inclusive of a paid 30 minute crib break) shall be eligible for overtime at the relevant overtime rate, for each hour worked in excess of the

ordinary eight or twelve hours.

- E2.3 Control Room Operators (Day Shift) who work in excess of eight, nine or twelve ordinary hours in each shift (inclusive of a paid 30 minute crib break) shall be eligible for overtime at the relevant overtime rate, for each hour worked in excess of the ordinary, eight, nine or twelve hours.
- E2.4 For all other Employees overtime shall be calculated on a daily basis subject to forty hours being worked by an Employee in a week. Unauthorised absences shall not be counted as actual hours worked for the purposes of calculating overtime. Any hours of unauthorised absence shall be deducted from the total hours in any one week. Following such deduction, overtime shall remain payable for hours worked in excess of 40 actual hours in the week. Authorised absences are as provided in the agreement and shall not be deemed as default for the purposes of overtime calculation.

E3 MEAL BREAKS

- E3.1 As far as possible the hours of work shall be continuous from the time of starting work save for an uninterrupted unpaid meal break, which shall be:
- (a) no more than one hour nor less than 30 minutes for Gardeners, Horticulturalists and Team Leaders
 - (b) 30 minutes for University Security Officers, Team Leaders and Control Room Operators.
- E3.2 No Employee shall be required to work more than 5 hours without a meal break.
- E3.3 Gardeners will be entitled to two 10-minute paid rest breaks which may be taken evenly through the work period, having regards to operational requirements.
- E3.4 University Security Officers, Team Leaders and Control Room Operators will be entitled to two 15-minute paid crib rest breaks. During the paid crib rest breaks employees are required to remain on site and be contactable and available to attend to their duties as the need arises.
- E3.5 The parties to the agreement expressly agree that all University Security Officers, Team Leaders and Control Room Operators will take both 15-minute paid rest breaks together continuously.
- E3.6 Subject to clause E3.5, the Employer and each Employee may agree on when the rest and meal breaks are to be taken, having regards to the operational requirements.
- E3.7 Where practicable, tea, coffee, Milo or other similar beverages, sugar and milk shall be supplied at all rest and meal breaks.

E4 CALL BACKS

- E4.1 Where an Employee is required by the Employer to return to work after completing the day's work and has left the place of employment, or is called back before their normal time of starting work and does not continue working until such normal starting time, then that Employee shall have the option of being paid at relevant overtime rates or receive time off in lieu for all hours worked, with a minimum of three hours pay. Travel to and from a call back shall be paid as specified in clause G5 of this agreement.

SECTION F: REMUNERATION - TAIUTU

F1 RATES OF REMUNERATION

Band	2025 Confirmed Min (effective 30 May 2025)	1 February 2026 Confirmed Min
Horticulturist Team Leader	\$67,601	\$ 69,122
Horticulturist Level 2	\$63,127	\$64,547
Horticulturist	\$60,000	\$61,350
Gardener	\$59,691	\$61,034
University Security Services Coordinator	\$73,269	\$74,734
University Security Team Leader (including TL Allowance)	\$72,231	\$73,675
Control Room Operator	\$68,442	\$69,982
University Security Officer (24/7)*	\$65,995	\$67,480
University Security Officer Level 3	\$63,325	\$64,750
University Security Officer Level 2	\$59,691	\$61,820
University Security Officer Level 1	\$58,191	\$60,320

Minimum rate for Security (Unisafe) Officers employed as at 1 April 2013.

F2 APPOINTMENT LEVELS

F2.1 Employees shall be appointed on a salary and where applicable into and within a level taking into account experience, qualifications, responsibilities, internal relativities and the ease or difficulty in recruiting the specific skill, experience and qualifications of the Employee.

F3 ANNUAL REVIEWS

F3.1 Salary Review Committees

All salaries except those at a specified maximum of a level shall be reviewed annually by salary review committees which will include staff representatives, selected jointly by management and the unions.

F3.2 PRINCIPLES

Development, Performance and Salary Review Principles

Reviews shall:

- involve the staff member with their manager;
- contribute to clarity and transparency of expectations and what is needed to achieve in the position;
- be aligned with the values and strategies of the University;
- involve objective setting and development planning and progress meetings throughout the year before the final annual performance and development review evaluation;
- take into account both the development and performance of the Employee;

- vi. have a monitoring process to ensure appropriate and consistent application.

F3.3 **Process**

F3.3.1 The Employer shall review annually the development, performance and salary of the Employee. Such reviews shall have regard to the duties of the Employee and shall comply with relevant policies and procedures (currently [Tupu](#)).

F3.3.2 In reviewing the employee's salary, the Employer shall take into account:

- evidence of the Employee's competencies and performance;
- internal and external relativities, and
- the financial circumstances of the University.

F3.4 **No Reduction by Reason of Range of Rates**

Individual salary rates cannot be reduced by reason of operation of the ranges of rates.

F3.5 **Appeal Committee for Salary Review**

- i. An Appeal Committee will be established by the Employer. It will include staff representatives. The Employer will consult with the unions with respect to the composition of the Appeal Committee.
- ii. The Committee will consider appeals where a case can be made that there has been a significant failure of process which has affected the outcome or where the decision is clearly at odds with the evidence.

F4 **PROGRESSION OF GROUNDS AND SECURITY PERSONNEL**

F4.1 Security and Grounds personnel, depending on their position, will be able to progress through the respective level(s) as outlined in the table below.

F4.2 To progress to the next applicable level, the employee will need to demonstrate competency through a practical assessment. The assessment will be completed by the Team Leader and Safety & Security Manager or Delegate. This assessment will be made according to the Security & [Gardeners](#) Progression Documents. Changes to these documents will be made in consultation with both parties.

Upon the Employee meeting the minimum experience as required, the employee may apply for the next appropriate level. Upon successful completion of the assessment, the Employee will be entitled to the appropriate level and relevant remuneration, effective from date of sign off.

F4.3 The Facilities Manager – Security Services will consider appeals where a case can be made that there has been a failure of process which has affected the outcome or where the decision is at odds with the evidence.

APPOINTMENT POSITION LEVEL	EXPERIENCE IN POSITION
Security Officer Level 1 to 2	Minimum 6 months having demonstrated competency through a practical assessment at Level 1 to move to Level 2
Security Officer Level 2 to 3	Minimum 6 months having demonstrated competency through a practical assessment at Level 2 to move to Level 3
Horticulturalist Level 1 to 2	Minimum 12 months having demonstrated competency through a practical assessment at Level 1 to move to Level 2

SECTION G: ALLOWANCES - HE TAHUA

G1 UNIVERSITY SECURITY TEAM LEADER ALLOWANCE

- G1.1 For staff appointed by management to undertake the duties of a University Security Team Leader, a University Security Team Leader Allowance of \$22.48 per shift (increasing to \$22.93 per shift from 1 February 2026) shall be paid in addition to all other entitlements (excluding designated Team Leaders whose remuneration is inclusive of the Team Leader Allowance as per clause F1). The Team Leader Allowance will compensate for the delegated authority and added responsibilities with which the University Security Team Leader is charged, when on shift.

G2 SPECIAL DUTIES ALLOWANCE

- G2.1 An Employee required by the Employer to undertake a period of special duties, or to temporarily act in the capacity of an Employee on a higher pay rate, where there are increased duties and responsibilities, shall be reimbursed by the Employer at a higher level of remuneration commensurate with such increased duties and responsibilities to be agreed with the employee. The agreed allowance shall apply from the day the agreed special duties or temporary acting appointment commences.

G3 MEAL ALLOWANCE

- G3.1 An Employee who has been directed to work not less than two hours' overtime after a break of at least half an hour shall be paid a meal allowance of \$20.66 (increasing to \$21.07 with effect from 1 February 2026). The meal allowance is paid to all staff when a meal is missed because of a requirement to work additional hours/shifts.

G4 TRAVEL EXPENSES

- G4.1 Employees who are required to work at a place other than their usual place of employment shall travel in the Employer's time, or shall be paid for time occupied on travelling where such is done in their own time. Such Employees shall also be reimbursed all monies actually expended in fares travelling to and from such place of work where transport is not provided by the Employer.

G5 MOTOR VEHICLE EXPENSES

- G5.1 In accordance with the Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland [Travel Expenses and Booking Procedures](#), IRD rates will be used for reimbursement to claimed kms.

G6 CONTROL ROOM TRAINING

- G6.1 By mutual agreement, the parties may agree that an Employee is trained in control room duties. The training period will be a minimum of four months. The Employee will be supervised while performing control room duties. The training will consist of practical and theory-based learning. At the completion of the training period, the Employee must be able to demonstrate competency through a written and practical assessment. On successful completion the Employee will be paid at the Control Room Operator rate.

G7 UNIFORMS AND FOOTWEAR

- G7.1 The Employer will provide appropriate uniforms and footwear to all staff.

Where uniforms are provided they shall be worn during all work hours, and only at those times unless by prior specific agreement between the Employer and Employee.

- G7.2 Re-issue shall be on production of worn out uniform and footwear. Suitable wet weather clothing, beanie and gloves shall be provided by the Employer and it will be the responsibility of the employee to care for protective clothing. The Employer will pay for the purchase of suitable black footwear for all University Security Team Leaders and University Security Officers up to a maximum value of \$422.30 from 30 May 2025 (increasing to \$430.75 from 1 February 2026) which can be claimed once within each 18 month period.
- G7.3 In the event of an Employee terminating their employment, then all uniform and wet weather clothing issued shall, subject to fair wear and tear, be returned to the Employer. Any issued clothing not returned on termination shall, subject to fair wear and tear, be reimbursed by the Employer by way of deduction from their final pay.

G8 PHONE ALLOWANCE

During the term of this agreement, the Employer shall provide Grounds employees with a fortnightly phone allowance of \$10.30 (increasing to \$10.51 from 1 February 2026) as a contribution towards the cost of business-related use on their personal phone plan. This allowance shall be paid by the Employer to Grounds employees upon the approval of a receipt in Concur. This allowance will cease to apply during any periods of leave for more than one week.

SECTION H: HOLIDAYS AND LEAVE - NGĀ HARAREI ME TE WHAKAMATUATANGA Ā-TAU

H1 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

- H1.1 The following days shall be observed as public holidays:
- New Year's Day
 - The Day after New Year's Day
 - Waitangi Day
 - Anzac Day
 - Good Friday
 - Easter Monday
 - Sovereign's Birthday
 - Matariki
 - Labour Day
 - Auckland Anniversary Day (or relevant regional holiday, as per the Holidays Act 2003)
 - Christmas Day
 - Boxing Day
- H1.1.2 Control Room Operators, University Security Team Leaders and University Security Officers working on a shift roster, work on public holidays.
- Gardeners and Horticulturalists and Horticulturalist Team Leaders are not required to work public holidays unless agreed.
- H1.2 For Gardeners, Horticulturalists and Horticulturalist Team Leaders, in the event of a public holiday falling on a Saturday or a Sunday, such holiday shall be observed on the succeeding Monday, and in the event of another holiday falling on such Monday, such other holiday shall be observed on the succeeding Tuesday.
- H1.3 Where an Employee is required by the Employer to work on a Public Holiday:
- (a) They will be paid at double time rate for the time actually worked or at the relevant daily pay, whichever is the greater amount. Where a shift falls in part on a public holiday and in part on an ordinary working day, the public holiday rate under this clause will only apply to those hours worked on the public holiday.

- (b) if that Public Holiday would otherwise be a working day for the employee, they will also be entitled to an alternative holiday, whether they have worked on all or part of the Public Holiday. The alternative holiday is to be taken on a day to be agreed between the Employer and Employee.

- H1.4 Any overtime worked on one of the holidays specified in clause H1.1 shall be paid at the overtime rate, in addition to their entitlements under clause H1.3.
- H1.5 An Employee whose rostered day off falls on one of the holidays specified in clause H1.1 shall be entitled to an alternative paid day off.
- H1.6 For the purposes of Public Holidays (H1) Sick leave (H4), Bereavement leave (H11) and Family Violence Leave (H12), the term "relevant daily pay" is defined as follows:
"Relevant daily pay" means what an Employee would have been paid if they had worked on the day concerned. Any such calculation shall include the appropriate rate for the time, any regular overtime payments, productivity or incentive payments, and any allowances applicable or other payments if those payments would have been received if the Employee worked that day. In the case of "relevant daily pay" for a public holiday, this does not include any additional rate that would have been applied under the Holidays Act 2003 or this collective agreement for working on that public holiday.

H2 ANNUAL LEAVE ENTITLEMENT

- H2.1 Employees will be entitled to, and expected to take, five (5) weeks annual leave (inclusive of Easter Tuesday and the last weekday before Christmas) per year of continuous service. For the avoidance of doubt, staff employed on rostered shifts under clause E1.1(b) and (c) of this agreement and who are rostered off on Easter Tuesday and or the last weekday of Christmas are not required to take annual leave on those rostered days off.
- H2.2 The Employees will take annual leave on Easter Tuesday and the last weekday before Christmas, unless otherwise instructed by the Employer.
- H2.3 The Employee's wishes concerning the timing of annual leave will be met as far as possible. However, where this is not convenient to the University, as during semester, the Employer may decline to grant leave or may direct an Employee to take leave at a certain time. The Employer shall not unreasonably withhold approval to individual requests for annual leave. Decisions regarding timing of leave will be made in discussion with the Employee and have regard to the University's workload requirements, relevant University policies and practices and the Holidays Act 2003.
- H2.4 Wherever possible Employees will have the opportunity to take all annual leave due to them in any one leave year. Unless agreed otherwise, Employees should take at least half their annual leave entitlement in the year in which they become entitled to it.
- H2.5 With the written approval of the Employer an Employee may take annual leave in anticipation of entitlement. The number of days anticipated shall not exceed the amount of accrued annual leave.

H3 HOLIDAYS FALLING DURING LEAVE OR TIME OFF

- H3.1 Leave on pay
Where a public holiday falls during a period of annual leave, sick leave on pay or special leave on pay, (including special University paid parental leave under clause H7), an Employee is entitled to that holiday which is not to be debited against such leave. This provision does not apply to a holiday falling during annual or retiring leave after the Employee has ceased work prior to leaving the university, unless the Employee has worked at any time during the fortnight prior

to the day on which the holiday is observed.

H3.2 Leave without pay

An Employee shall not be entitled to payment for a public holiday falling during a period of leave without pay unless the Employee has worked at any time during the fortnight prior to the day the holiday is observed.

H4 SICK LEAVE

H4.1 Employees are entitled to either Sick Leave on pay as set out in the schedule below, or Sick Leave without pay.

H4.2 The Employee should notify absence, due to sickness, to the Employer as soon as possible prior to normal or rostered starting time.

H4.3 Sick leave can be used if the Employee, the Employee's spouse/partner, or a person who depends on the Employee for care, is sick or injured, as set out in the Holidays Act 2003 and its subsequent amendments.

H4.4 All Sick Leave is to be computed in working days.

H4.5 Schedule of Entitlement:

Length of Service	Aggregate period for which sick leave on pay may be granted during service (Working Days)
Up to six months service	Five days.
After six months service and up to 12 months service	10 days inclusive of days previously allowed.
Over 12 months service	10 days for each 12 months of service with a maximum accumulation of 260 days.

H4.6 This leave is inclusive of the provisions of the Holidays Act 2003.

H4.7 The Employer may, at its discretion, decide that sick leave on pay of any special nature should not be included in the aggregate of sick leave taken.

H4.8 If an Employee is absent on sick leave for a portion of their working day, such leave is to be debited as follows:

- (i) Absent for a quarter of the total allotted hours for that day – no deduction.
- (ii) Absent for between a quarter and three quarters of the total allotted hours for that day – half a day's sick leave.
- (iii) Absent for more than three quarters of the total allotted hours for that day – full day's sick leave.

H4.9 Where requested, the Employer shall approve a reasonable amount of time off on ordinary pay for dental/medical appointments, provided that the appointment is made on a day and at a time which does not unduly interfere with the business of the Employer and has the prior consent of the Employer. Such approval will not be unreasonably withheld. Time off granted under this sub clause will not be debited against the Employee's sick leave entitlement.

H4.10 A medical certificate will be required for all absences in excess of five consecutive days and may be required for absences of shorter periods. If information is received which indicates that the sick leave entitlement is being misused, the Employer may take such action as is necessary to clarify the matter.

H4.11 When sickness occurs during annual or long service leave, the Employer will permit the period of sickness to be debited against sick leave entitlement provided that period of sickness is more than five days and a medical certificate is produced.

H4.12 Anticipation of Sick Leave:

In special cases, Employees may be allowed to anticipate sick leave becoming due on completion of a further period of service provided that at least 10 days sick leave is retained for each year of service for which sick leave has been anticipated.

All approvals are subject to the proviso that the necessary adjustments to final pay are to be made if Employees resign before the next entitlement falls due.

H4.13 Medical Incapacity

H4.13.1 In the event of prolonged illness, suspected incapacity or concerns about the Employees' attendance at work (including as a result of intermittent absences), the Employer may request that an Employee undergo an examination by a registered medical practitioner for an assessment of the Employee's fitness for work and/or return to work.

H4.13.2 The parties agree that the primary purpose of any medical examinations is to support the Employee's wellbeing, recovery and return to work. Accordingly, the selection of the relevant practitioner, (although nominated by the University) is to be by mutual agreement. The cost of the medical examinations will be met by the Employer. A copy of any relevant report provided by the agreed medical practitioner will be available to both parties.

H4.13.3 For Employees who are unfit to work but progressing toward recovery and a return to work may be granted leave either with or without pay (where an employee has exhausted their sick leave entitlements).

H4.13.4 Where an Employee remains unfit to work after a reasonable timeframe, or prognosis for recovery is poor, provided that reasonable time has been given for recovery and the Employer has taken practicable steps to support the Employee to return to work, termination of employment may be considered.

H4.13.5 In cases where termination of employment is necessary, a notice period of 3 months will apply. Notice may be in whole or in part, paid out in lieu.

H5 RETIREMENT

H5.1 The Employee shall give to the University not less than 3 months' notice of retirement in writing.

H5.2 The University and Employee agree that retirement means permanently withdrawing from the paid regular workforce. The Employee shall provide the University with details of any planned future employment.

H6 RETIREMENT LEAVE

Employees who commence employment on or after 1 February 2023 will not be eligible for the retirement leave condition (the Condition).

The Condition is grandparented for staff who were Employees on or before 31 January 2023 as follows:

Employees of the University whose employment has been terminated (by way of resignation, redundancy or the end of a fixed-term contract) between 1 February 2017 to 31 January 2023 will be entitled to the Condition if they re-join the University on or after 1 February 2023 provided that they meet the following criteria (the Criteria):

- The Employee has not previously received the Condition on termination;
- The Employee informs the University that they were previously

- employed by the University and meet the Criteria.
- For those Employees who are eligible to access the grandparented Condition, continuous service for the calculation of the Condition will start from the date at which they recommenced employment at the University.

H6.1.1 An Employee who is listed on Appendix B and who was employed under this Agreement prior to 28.2.1994 and for whom retirement is approved under clause H5 and who has completed ten or more years continuous service in the University and who has given three months' notice, may be granted retiring leave on the following basis:

Amount of Retiring Leave	Qualification Required
26 weeks	Completion of 40 years' or more service
91 days plus one day for every two months' service in excess of 25 years	Completion of 20 years' service and age 60 or more years
31 days plus one day for every two months' service in excess of 10 years or more	Completion of 10 or more years' service (but less than 20 years) and aged 60 years

H6.1.2 Only Employees who retire under the provisions of clause H5 will be entitled to receive the following benefit:

- (i) after 10 years continuous service - 20 working days
- (ii) after each additional year up to 25 years - 5 working days
- (iii) after each additional year over 25 years - 2 working days

H6.2 Service for the purpose of retirement leave entitlement and calculation means unbroken employment, full- time or part-time (on a pro-rata basis), in the University together with any other service which the Employer may at its discretion recognise. However, previous service in the State Sector does not qualify for retiring leave if the Employee accepted voluntary severance.

H6.3 Retirement leave does not count as service; service for retirement leave purposes is to be reckoned up to and including the last day of work plus any annual or long-service leave due.

H6.4 In determining the period of service, the Employer may deduct periods of leave without pay exceeding three months in total.

H6.5 Retiring Leave commences from the working day following the last day of duty. Where annual leave or long service leave is due the retiring leave commences from the working day following expiry of such leave.

H6.6 Grant in Lieu of Retiring Leave

H6.6.1 All Employees eligible for retiring leave may accept, instead of any period of retiring leave to which they are entitled (less any retiring leave already taken in anticipation), a lump sum gratuity equivalent in value to that leave.

H6.6.2 On the death of an Employee, the Employer may approve a cash grant in lieu of retiring leave to the surviving partner or if there is no surviving partner to any dependent.

H7 PARENTAL LEAVE

H7.1.1 The University recognises and affirms the importance of whānau by providing an inclusive parental leave policy to support parents.

H7.1.2 University Paid Parental Leave is administered in accordance with the University's [Parental Leave Policy and Procedures](#) and the [Parental Leave and Employment Protection Act 1987](#).

- H7.1.3 Staff members may apply for up to nine weeks of University Paid Parental leave if they meet the criteria in the [Parental Leave Policy and Procedures](#).
- H7.1.4 Where both parents or carers are employed at the University, either one person can take the nine weeks of University paid parental leave, or the leave can be shared between the two parents or carers.
- H7.1.5 University Paid Parental Leave can be taken in blocks of one week or more to allow more flexibility for eligible parents.
- H7.1.6 If both parents or carers are employed at the University, the secondary carer or partner will be eligible for two additional weeks of University paid parental leave, provided they meet the criteria in the [Parental Leave Policy and Procedures](#).
- H7.1.7 Any payment is to be based on the percentage rate of employment (FTE) prior to absence on parental leave. However, an Employee who works less than full normal hours for a short period only, prior to parental leave may have their case for full payment considered by the Employer.
- H7.1.8 If an Employee intends to go back to work after their parental leave, at least one month's notice in writing is required before returning to work. Note - Usually, an employee can only go back to work early if their manager agrees.
- H7.1.9 The parental leave application form must be submitted to an Employee's manager at least three months before the date on which they wish to commence parental leave and must be accompanied by documentation confirming the expected delivery date, adoption, or formal care arrangement, signed by an appropriate healthcare or social services provider. Special and medical circumstances will be taken into account.

H7.2 Government Parental Leave

- H7.2.1 An Employee is also entitled to government parental leave when they meet one of the following primary carer or co-carer criteria:
- (i) Are pregnant
 - (ii) Are a parent of a child under one
 - (iii) Have new permanent primary responsibility for a child under six and be any of the following:
 - (a) a parent or adoptive parent
 - (b) a Home for Life parent
 - (c) a matua whāngai (whāngai carer)
 - (d) a grandparent with full-time care
 - (e) a permanent guardian.
- H7.2.2 Government paid parental leave of 26 continuous weeks is available for primary carers. This is paid by the Inland Revenue Department. Employees need to have worked an average of 10 hours a week in at least 26 of the weeks in the year before the due date or the date the child comes into the Employees' care. Government paid parental leave can be started up to six weeks before the expected date of the child's arrival, or earlier in certain cases.
- H7.2.3 If an Employee has completed one year's continuous service prior to the expected date of a child's arrival, they are entitled to a further 26 weeks unpaid leave (for a total of up to 52 weeks primary carers leave).
- H7.2.4 If more than one parent or carer is employed by the University, either Employee can take government leave or the leave can be shared between them.
- H7.2.5 This length of primary carers leave shall be the same whether one or more children are born or enter primary care at the same time.

- H7.2.6 An Employee is also entitled, before taking parental leave, to take a total of up to ten days special leave without pay for reasons connected with the anticipated arrival or adoption of a child.
- H7.2.7 Partners and co-carers may also be eligible for two weeks of Government unpaid partner's leave, in addition to University Paid Parental Leave.

H7.3 Job protection

- H7.3.1 An Employee returning from parental leave is entitled to resume work in the same position or in a similar position to the one they had at the time of commencing parental leave. If the Employee's position is one that needs to be permanently filled ("key position"), or a redundancy occurs while they are on parental leave, H7.3.3 will apply.
- H7.3.2 A similar position means a position:
- at the equivalent salary and grading; and
 - on the same campus; and
 - involving responsibilities broadly comparable to those exercised in their previous position.
- H7.3.3 If the role is a key position or in the case of a redundancy, the Employee will be entitled to a 26 week "period of preference" at the end of the parental leave. During the period of preference when the employee indicates their intention to return to work, the Employer shall provide a written offer for either;
- i) the same position (if it is vacant at that time) or for a similar position to the one they occupied before commencing parental leave subject to availability; or
 - ii) an extension of unpaid parental leave up to 12 months to provide additional opportunities for either the Employee's previous position or a similar position becoming available.

H7.4 Redeployment

- H7.4.1 When a position that is usually occupied by an Employee who is on parental leave, is disestablished, then the same university redeployment provisions that would apply to other staff members who are subject to the same review will apply. Please refer to Appendix A: Redundancy Provisions.
- H7.4.2 Any Employee on parental leave must be notified if their position is to be disestablished as a result of a review.

H7.5 Employees returning from a period of parental leave

- H7.5.1 Employees returning from a period of parental leave may wish to work reduced hours for a period or take up a part-time position within the University.
- H7.5.2 For entitlements available to Employees, refer to the [Flexible Work policy and procedures](#) and the [Equity policies, procedures and guidelines](#).

H7.6 Salary Increases on Parental Leave

- H7.6.1 If an Employee is on parental leave when a general revision takes effect, they are entitled to an increase in salary, in accordance with the annual salary review process.
- H7.6.2 Any adjustments to the rates of remuneration that are backdated into the period covered will apply.

H8 LONG SERVICE LEAVE

- H8.1 In addition to holidays and annual holidays specified elsewhere in this agreement an Employee shall be entitled on completion of 20 years continuous University service to a special holiday of four weeks, which must be taken within five years

of becoming due, or be forfeited. This is a once only entitlement. The Employee's wishes concerning the timing of leave will be met as far as possible. The Employer recognises that long service leave is intended to be taken in an uninterrupted four-week block. However, by mutual agreement, Employees may elect to take leave in either a four-week block or one-week blocks.

- H8.2 This leave shall be taken under such terms and conditions as the University may from time to time determine but in any event it must be taken within five years of qualification and before relinquishment of office or it will be forfeited. The University undertakes to notify Employees when their entitlement becomes due.
- H8.3 Long service leave is a leave entitlement, not a basis for a lump sum payment.
- H8.4 Entitlement to long service leave shall not affect any retirement leave eligibility or retirement grant payable under this agreement.

H9 CREDITING OF PREVIOUS SERVICE

- H9.1 The University may give credit for other previous relevant service for purposes of calculating leave and other entitlements (e.g. annual leave, sick leave, long service leave and retiring leave).
- H9.2 Decisions shall have regard to:
 - (i) the relevance of the service;
 - (ii) recruitment and retention experiences.

H10 JURY SERVICE LEAVE

Refer to [Jury Service Leave](#) Policy

H11 BEREAVEMENT/TANGIHANGA LEAVE

- H11.1 An Employee shall be granted a minimum of three days bereavement leave on full pay to discharge obligations and/or to pay respects to a deceased person with whom they have had a close association. Such obligations may exist because of blood or family ties or because of particular cultural requirements such as attendance at all or part of a Tangihanga (or its equivalent).
 - H11.1.1 Bereavement leave provided for under H11.1 may be taken in the event of a miscarriage or stillbirth.
- H11.2 In granting time off, and for how long, the Employer must administer these provisions in a culturally sensitive manner taking into account:
 - (i) The closeness of the association between the Employee and the deceased, which association need not be a blood relationship;
 - (ii) Whether the Employee has to take significant responsibility for any or all of the arrangements to do with the ceremonies resulting from the death;
 - (iii) The amount of time needed to discharge properly any responsibilities or obligations;
 - (iv) Reasonable travelling time should be allowed, but for cases involving overseas travel that may not be the full period of travel;
 - (v) A decision must be made as quickly as possible so that the Employee is given the maximum time possible to make any necessary arrangements. In most cases the necessary approval will be given immediately, but may be given retrospectively where necessary.
- H11.3 If paid bereavement leave is not appropriate, then annual leave or leave without pay should be granted, but as a last resort.

- H11.4 If a bereavement occurs while an Employee is absent on annual leave, sick leave on pay, long service leave (except when this is taken after relinquishing of office) or other discretionary leave on pay, such leave may be interrupted and bereavement leave granted in terms of the preceding clauses. This provision will not apply if the Employee is on leave without pay.
- H11.5 The provisions relating to this clause H11 are inclusive of and not in addition to the bereavement leave provisions of the Holidays Act 2003.
- H11.6 Attention is drawn to provision H6.6.2, which states "On the death of an employee the Employer may approve a cash grant in lieu of retiring leave to the surviving partner or if there is no surviving partner to any dependent."

H12 FAMILY VIOLENCE LEAVE

- H12.1 The University supports staff who are affected by family violence. Family violence is defined in the Family Violence Act 2018.
- H12.2 From their commencement of employment, all Employees are eligible for ten days of family violence leave as per the [Family violence policy and guidelines](#). Staff may take family violence leave for:
- (a) attending medical appointments and counselling
 - (b) attending legal proceeding
 - (c) seeking safe housing
 - (d) visiting legal advisors or support agencies, for re-housing or re-childcare, or for other relevant appointments
 - (e) other matters resulting from family violence.
- H12.3 A member affected by family violence may choose to disclose to their manager/ team leader, union delegate, HR staff or other parties. The Employer and union representatives will maintain strict confidentiality over any relevant information.
- H12.4 Affected staff are encouraged when needed to access a tailored safety plan. For more information see the [Campus Personal Safety Planning guide](#).

H13 STUDY LEAVE

- H13.1 Provision of Study Leave is at the discretion of the Employer.
- H13.2 Employees may be granted study leave to enable them to complete qualifications and to attend courses and seminars which are considered by their employer to be relevant to their employment. Such study leave may entitle them to the benefits set out in H13.3 and H13.5.
- H13.3 An Employee who has been granted study leave under the provisions of H13.2, may have their cost of tuition paid, either in whole or in part, by the University directly at commencement of each course where such a course is offered by the Waipapa Taumata Rau | The University of Auckland. Where a course is offered by an external provider, the cost of tuition may be paid, either in whole or in part by the University at the completion of each course, provided satisfactory results are maintained. Other fees and purchase of notes, books and instruments will remain the responsibility of the employee.
- H13.4 Where the University has paid the Employee's fees and/or other related expenses, and the Employee fails to successfully complete the course, (in the absence of exceptional circumstances) the Employee agrees that they may be required to repay the fees as a debt that is owed to the University.
- H13.5 Where, as a course requirement, the Employee has been granted study leave under these provisions is required to travel to another centre, the Employer may pay transport costs in accordance with University policy.

H13.6 The granting of study leave each year shall be subject to the Employee's satisfactory progress in their work and studies.

H13.7 Where a full time Employee is required by the Employer to study towards a recognised qualification, the Employee shall be granted leave on pay up to a maximum of one day in a week, or such other times as may be required by the Employer, for the purpose of attending such a course or study.

H14 TUITION FEES

The University may meet the costs of tuition for any Employee enrolled for a course of study in the University which is relevant to the Employee's work and has been approved by the Employer. The University may approve attendance at courses in other cases without meeting the cost of tuition.

H15 OTHER LEAVE

The Employer may grant an Employee Other Leave with or without pay on such terms and conditions as the Employer may deem fit.

H16 ACCIDENT LEAVE

Accident leave is granted in terms of the Accident Compensation Act 2001.

H17 EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS EDUCATION LEAVE

Union representatives will be entitled to up to three days paid leave per annum to attend courses held by, or sanctioned by, the Employee organisation. Where such courses are held away from the work site, the Employee organisation will give the Employer a minimum of 14 days' notice. This is part of and not additional to the provisions of the Employment Relations Act.

SECTION I: GENERAL PROVISIONS - HE WHAKARITENGA

I1 WAGES AND TIME RECORD

These shall be kept in accordance with the provisions of Section 130 of the Employment Relations Act 2000.

I2 PAYMENT OF SALARIES

I2.1 Payment of all Employees shall be by way of direct credit to a bank account, fortnightly. Overtime payments earned in one period shall be paid in the subsequent fortnightly pay period, or as soon as possible thereafter.

I2.2 All Employees will have access to information on wages and allowances paid on each pay-day and any deductions.

I2.3 Final Pay – Regardless of whether the termination is on notice or without notice, the Employee's final pay is payable in the next available pay cycle, unless the Employee requests of the Employer in writing to receive the final pay on the last day of the employee's work.

I3 DEDUCTIONS

I3.1 The parties agree that the Employer is entitled to make a deduction from the salary (including final pay and holiday pay in the case of a termination) of an Employee for a debt lawfully owed to the University.

Deductions may be made, for example, for time lost through sickness or accident not covered by sick leave, unauthorised absence, non-return or damage of University property, default by the Employee, holidays taken in advance, overpayment of salary, outstanding debts or money owed to the University by the Employee.

Where deductions are made for overpayment of salary, this will be consistent with the Wages Protection Act 1983 and any amendments. Employees will be consulted before any deductions are made.

The Employer agrees that in an ongoing employment relationship where regular deductions from an Employees' salary are necessary to discharge the debt, the amount deducted will be fair and reasonable, considering the interests of both parties, including whether the proposed amount is affordable for the Employee.

I3.2 At the written request of any employee, the Employer shall deduct union fees from the Employee's pay at a rate advised from time to time by E Tū or TEU to which the Employee is a member and shall remit such deductions to E Tū or TEU in a manner agreed upon between the parties.

I3.3 (i) The Employer, when requested in writing by E Tū or TEU, shall within one month of receipt of such request, supply to E Tū or TEU a list of all Employees from whom deductions have been made.
(ii) Such requests shall not be made to the Employer at intervals of less than three months.

I4 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING

- I4.1 The parties believe that the health, safety and wellbeing of all members of the University community is among their highest priorities. The University is committed to the highest standards of health, safety and wellbeing through continual improvement whilst ensuring the continued delivery of world-class education and research. Both the Employer and the Employee shall comply with their obligations under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and associated legislation. This includes the Employer and the Employee taking all reasonably practicable steps to ensure a safe and healthy workplace in accordance with the University's [Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy](#).
- I4.2 The University is committed to being safe, inclusive and equitable. Diversity and collegiality are central to the University's values. In accordance with these values, the University is committed to providing an environment in which all members of the University community are valued and treated with respect, and where bullying, harassment and discrimination are unacceptable. For further information refer to the [Addressing Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination Policy and Procedures](#).
- I4.3 Protective Clothing:
- (i) Where necessary suitable protective clothing, footwear, safety spectacles and equipment shall be provided by the Employer and the Employee instructed in their use.
 - (ii) Where justified prescription hardened lenses shall be provided by the Employer. Should a change in prescription require a change of lenses, then the Employer shall pay the difference in cost between normal and hardened lenses plus the cost of standard safety frames if required.
 - (iii) Laundering or dry cleaning of all protective clothing shall be the responsibility of the Employer and shall be carried out on a regular basis.
 - (iv) An Employee suffering damage to clothing while wearing protective clothing shall be financially reimbursed for the damage.
 - (v) The Employer shall take all reasonably practicable steps to ensure that the Employee is instructed in the use and need for safety clothing and equipment.
 - (vi) The Employee shall be under an obligation to make use of safety clothing and equipment provided by the Employer. Repeated failure to do so shall constitute misconduct.
 - (vii) The Employer shall provide and maintain sanitary arrangements and accommodations to enable Employees to take their meals and change their clothes, as well as a lockable storage space for their belongings. It is the Employee's responsibility to ensure this storage space is locked and kept secure while in use.
- I4.4 Occupational Overuse Syndrome (OOS)
- The Employer will ensure that all Employees are familiar with the risks of OOS when working in situations where any muscle group is stressed over periods of time (including through the extended use of keyboards). The Health and Safety team will provide current information to Employees to minimise risks of OOS.
- I4.5 New Technology
- When new technology is introduced into a workplace, it will be the responsibility of the Employer to provide appropriate training to the Employees directly affected. Such training will include any health and safety implications or information that will enable Employees to operate the equipment without discomfort and will help maintain their general well-being.
- I4.6 First Aid Training
- Instruction and training by certified trainers shall be provided to those Employees who are required to maintain the currency of first aid certificates.

I4.7 Communication

University Security Officers will wear a radio and maintain regular radio contact and updates while undertaking patrols specifying location and status. Security Control room will monitor officer location and shall instigate response actions in the absence of regular officer contact.

I4.8 No Employee shall be compelled to work in any place infected with a notifiable disease. An Employee employed in any such place shall be reasonably protected against such disease to the satisfaction of the medical officer or authority in charge of the case.

I4.9 Violence and Aggression Response

University Security Officers shall be provided with relevant and appropriate training and where possible avoid aggressive or violent situations with their prime role to observe and report to initiate immediate emergency response. University Security Officers shall use means to diffuse situations where possible by negotiation and conflict resolution. Officers shall not give chase for the purpose of restraining or detaining an intruder, offender or patron. Employees do not, under any circumstances retaliate physically or verbally unless it is in self-defence of themselves or others or property as per the Crimes Act 1961 Section 41 and 48. Where possible Employees shall withdraw to a position of safety and call for back-up or police.

It is essential that radio communication is made with the control room in the event that a situation arises where the Employee may be placed in danger.

I4.10 Eye Tests

Refer to the [University Eye Tests Policy](#).

I4.11 Reporting Motor Vehicle Accidents

Refer to the [University Motor Vehicle Accidents Policy](#).

I4.12 Accident and Incident Reporting

Refer to the [University Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy](#).

I5 PRIVACY

Employee personal information will be treated in accordance with the University's privacy policies and procedures and the Privacy Act 2020 (including the Information Privacy Principles set out in the Act). Both parties will comply with the University's privacy policies and procedures and the Act as these are amended from time to time.

I6 DISCIPLINARY PRINCIPLES

I6.1 Disciplinary processes shall be undertaken in accordance with the [Disciplinary Procedures for Professional Staff](#) (as amended from time to time in accordance with D7.3) and the principles of procedural fairness and good faith.

I6.2 Procedural Fairness

The Employer must have good grounds to discipline and/or dismiss and any disciplinary process needs to be procedurally fair. Procedural fairness requires that the Employee will:

1. Be fully and fairly informed of the allegation or allegations against them;
2. Have an informed, full and fair opportunity to respond to the alleged breaches of conduct/ poor performance, including by being:
 - i. provided with all information generated by the investigation;
 - ii. notified of potential disciplinary outcomes at the outset; and
 - iii. given the opportunity to comment on any proposed penalties and raise any matters relevant to mitigation, prior to a final decision being made.

3. Have their responses considered with an open mind;
4. Be provided with an opportunity, within a specified time frame to correct the conduct/performance, with the assistance and support of the Employer (except in the case of serious misconduct or after a final written warning);
5. Have the right to representation at all stages of the process.

The Employer also agrees that:

1. Any delegate or investigator appointed to conduct an investigation will investigate fully, fairly and impartially;
2. Any warnings will be issued with the approval of a Human Resources manager or advisor; and
3. In circumstances where disciplinary action is taken, the decision and the reasons for it, will be provided in writing to the Employee; and
4. Employees shall be advised of their right to challenge any disciplinary decision.

Good faith

Both the Employer and Employee will act in good faith during any disciplinary process. Both parties agree to conduct themselves in a manner that is active, constructive, responsive and communicative to ensure that a productive employment relationship is maintained through the process.

I6.3 Definitions

Misconduct means

The failure of an Employee in their employment to maintain proper standards of integrity, conduct or concern for the public interest or the wellbeing of the students or other Employees of the University; or the failure of an Employee to comply with policies, procedures or directions of the University, Academic Head or other persons in authority at the University; or the failure to maintain adequate standards of performance.

Serious Misconduct means

Misconduct which is so serious that it may warrant summary dismissal and may include but is not limited to, sexual harassment, assault, theft, fraud, misappropriation, deliberate or repeated disregard of health and safety standards, wilful disobedience, deliberate or repeated misconduct, failure to disclose a conflict of interest, breach of the University's policy against harassment, behaviour which leads to significant loss of trust and confidence.

I6.4 Suspension

Where there is an alleged case of serious misconduct the Employee may be suspended on base pay from their duties while an investigation is carried out. In addition, there may be other exceptional circumstances in which an Employee may be suspended with pay. However, no suspension shall be initiated or continued unless it is fair and reasonable for such a step to be taken or continued. Where there is a proposal to suspend an Employee, that Employee shall have the right to have access to the available relevant information, and an opportunity to be heard before the suspension occurs.

I7 EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP PROBLEMS

The Employment Relations Act 2000 requires that all collective and individual agreements contain a plain language explanation of the services and processes available to resolve any employment relationship problems. The University, TEU and the E tū have agreed on the following procedure.

I7.1 Employment relationship problems include:

- a personal grievance (a claim of unjustifiable dismissal, unjustifiable disadvantage, discrimination, sexual or racial harassment, or duress in relation to membership or non- membership of a union or employee

organisation)

- a dispute (about the interpretation, application or operation of an employment agreement)
- any other problem relating to or arising out of the Employee's employment relationship with the University except matters relating to the fixing of new terms and conditions of employment

17.2 If the Employee believes there is a problem with their employment relationship with the University, the Employee should tell the Employee's manager, either personally or through the union or other representative, as soon as possible:

- that there is a problem; and
- the nature of the problem; and
- what action the Employee wishes to be taken in relation to the problem.

17.3 If for any reason the Employee feels unable to raise the matter with their manager, other suggested contacts are: Associate Director or Director, or other staff member of Human Resources.

17.4 In the case of a personal grievance (other than for sexual harassment), the Employee must raise the matter with the Employer within 90 days of the grievance occurring or coming to the Employee's notice, whichever is the later. In the case of a personal grievance for sexual harassment as defined in section 108 of the Employment Relations Act 2000, the Employee must raise the matter within 12 months of the grievance occurring or coming to their notice. A written submission is preferable but not necessary.

17.5 The Employee has the right to seek the support and assistance of their union or representative, or information from the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE) Mediation Service at any time.

17.6 The University will try to resolve the matter through discussion with the Employee and/or their union or representative.

17.7 If the problem cannot be resolved through discussion, then either the Employee or the University can request assistance from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) Mediation Services.

17.8 If the problem is not resolved by mediation, the Employee may apply to the Employment Relations Authority for investigation and determination.

17.9 In certain circumstances the decision of the Employment Relations Authority may be appealed by the Employee or the University to the Employment Court.

I8 NOTIFICATION

18.1 New Employees shall be given contact details of the union and shall be supplied with a union membership pack as part of the Employer's induction process.

18.2 Where an Employee covered by this agreement advises the Employer in writing that they wish to be a member of the union then that Employee's address shall be included on a list provided to the union on written request, at intervals of not more frequently than three monthly.

I9 PAID UNION MEETINGS

Employees during the term of this agreement shall be entitled to a total of four hours leave without loss of ordinary pay to attend paid union meetings, provided that at least two weeks prior notice is given and further that such meetings shall be arranged at a place, on a day and at a time as agreed between the union and the Employer.

I10 DELEGATES

- I10.1 The University shall give recognition to not more than five Employees who are elected by the Employees as job delegates. The names of the delegates shall be notified to the University by the union.
- I10.2 Subject to prior notification delegates shall be allowed reasonable paid time to conduct on-site business relevant to the University.

I11 RIGHT OF ACCESS

Subject to the Employment Relations Act 2000, the secretary or other authorised officer of E Tū, or the TEU as the case may be, shall, with the consent of the Employer (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) be entitled to enter at all reasonable times upon the premises for the purpose of interviewing any workers represented by E Tū or the TEU, as the case may be, or enforcing this agreement, including access to wages, holiday and time records but not so as to interfere unreasonably with the Employer's business.

I12 COPY OF AGREEMENT

A copy of this agreement shall be made available on request to any Employee bound by it.

I13 TERM OF COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

This collective agreement comes into force on 1 September 2024 and expires on 31 August 2026.

SCHEDULE 1: SIGNATORIES - KAIHAINA

The following are the parties to Waipapa Taumata Rau | The University of Auckland Security Officers and Gardeners Collective Agreement.

SIGNED on behalf of
the **Vice Chancellor of Waipapa Taumata Rau | The University of Auckland**



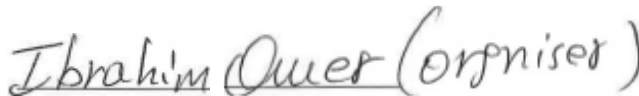
Stefanie Boyer, Associate Director HR Advisory

Name: _____

13 June 2025

Date: _____

SIGNED on behalf of **E tū Incorporated**



Name: _____

13-06-2025

Date: _____

SIGNED on behalf of the **NZ Tertiary Education Union Inc**



Daniel F Benson-Guiu
Te Pou Ahurei Takirua – Ahumahi | Assistant National Secretary Industrial

Name: _____

13th June 2025

Date: _____

APPENDIX A: REDUNDANCY PROVISIONS - WHAKARITENGA WHAKAMUTU MAHI

- (a) Where the Employer carries out a review or restructure of any of the positions covered by this agreement, and such a review or restructure has the potential to affect the job security of any Employee covered by this agreement, the Employer will enter into a process of consultation with the union(s) and the affected Employee(s). Such consultation shall commence not less than one month prior to any final decisions being made provided that in specific instances this period may be reduced by mutual agreement with the union(s) concerned. The purpose of such consultation is to allow the parties sufficient opportunity to investigate options in good faith which would prevent any loss of employment. Nothing in this appendix applies to casual employees.

The University's approach to surplus situations shall be to explore the possibility of using redeployment, retraining and or alternatively early retirement. Where reasonable efforts to place surplus staff through these options prove unsuccessful redundancy provisions may be invoked.

Employees shall receive not less than two months' notice of the termination of their employment by reason of redundancy, or such shorter or longer period as may be agreed between the Employee and the University. They shall have the option to work out their notice where that is practicable.

- (b) Employees who have been given notice of redundancy will within the period of notice be given reasonable time, on full pay to make arrangements to seek new employment. These arrangements may include, for example, help in the preparation of a CV, job training, counselling, financial management, or attendance at job interviews. The Employer will meet reasonable costs.

- (c) Employment Protection Provision

Note: This clause shall apply in the event of restructuring of the Employer's business.

This clause applies to restructuring (as defined in section 690I of the Employment Relations Act 2000) and therefore will apply where the Employer intends to enter into a contract or arrangement under which its business (or part of it) is to be undertaken by another person or business, or where the Employer's business (or part of it) is to be sold or transferred to another person or business.

In the event a restructuring will affect your position, the Employer shall, as soon as is reasonably practicable, (taking into account the commercial and confidentiality requirements of the business), commence negotiations with the other party involved in the restructuring (the "other party") concerning the impact of the restructuring on every Employee.

In those negotiations, the Employer will, subject to any statutory, commercial confidence or privacy issues, provide the other party with all information about the employees who will be affected by the restructuring, including details of their current terms and conditions of employment. The Employer will encourage the other party to offer all affected Employees, employment on no less favourable terms and conditions of employment than they currently enjoy with the University. As this is part of a collective, this fact should be made known to the "other party".

However, whether the other party offers the staff member ongoing employment and on what terms and conditions, will ultimately be the decision of that other party. As this is part of a collective, this fact should be made known to the "other party".

Two options may be offered. They are:

- The other party does offer the staff member employment on terms and conditions which are no less favourable than their existing terms and conditions including recognition of an Employee's previous service. The staff member may

accept this offer to transfer to the other party or the staff member may decline the offer. If the staff member accepts or declines the offer then they will not be entitled to any redundancy compensation from the University.

- If the staff member is not offered employment, by the other party, then the Employer will consult with the staff member regarding whether there are any suitable alternative positions available. If none can be identified or offered to the staff member then they will be entitled to two months' notice and redundancy compensation as per clause (I) of this Appendix.

Redeployment

- (d) The conditions under which Employees may be redeployed to alternative duties within the University are as follows:
 - (i) Employees may be deployed to a position at the same, higher or lower salary;
 - (ii) Where the new position is at a lower salary, an equalisation allowance will be paid for a period of two years to preserve the salary of the Employee in the old position at the time of redeployment.
- (e) The equalisation allowance will be paid as an on-going allowance for two years equivalent to the difference between the present salary and the new salary. The allowance will be abated by any salary increase for the new position during the two year period.
- (f) Employees who are offered a position in the University, which by mutual agreement is comparable to their existing position, such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld, and who decline appointment, will not be eligible for redundancy compensation.
- (g) Where an Employee agrees to be redeployed into a position that is not comparable to their existing position, or the Employee has accepted a comparable position that is subsequently found by the Employee to be not comparable to their existing position in good faith, the Employee may within the first three months in the new position and after consultation with the Employer to explore other options, elect to resign from it, by giving the appropriate notice. The Employee will receive a severance payment calculated on the salary and service of the Employee immediately prior to the time they were initially redeployed.
- (h) In the case of redeployment into a fixed term position which by mutual agreement is comparable to their existing position and which then ceases to exist, and the Employee is not further redeployed, the Employee's contract of employment shall terminate and the Employee will be paid severance on the following basis:
 - (i) Where the position ceases during the first 12 months of redeployment the full severance payment will be made;
 - (ii) Where the position ceases after a period in excess of one year but not exceeding two years of redeployment, 50% of the severance payment will be made;
 - (iii) Where the position ceases beyond two years of redeployment no severance payment will be made.

Redundancy

- (i) Upon leaving the University because of redundancy the Employee shall be offered a severance payment as follows based on continuous service with the University.
 - (a) Six weeks ordinary pay for the first year (or less) of service to the University.
 - (b) Two weeks ordinary pay for the second and subsequent years or part thereof.The maximum severance payment under this clause shall be 40 weeks ordinary pay. Annual leave and Long Service Leave due shall be paid in addition to the above payment.

- (j) Severance payment for a fixed term position that ceases to exist will be calculated on the basis of salary and service of the Employee, and will not be greater than the salary that would be due over the unexpired portion of the term.

Contracting Out

- (k) Where the employment of an Employee engaged in an activity of the University comes to an end because that activity is sold or transferred, the Employer shall request that the person who acquires that activity offer to employ that Employee:
 - (a) On conditions that are the same as or no less favourable than the existing conditions; and
 - (b) On the basis that service with the University is treated as if it were service with the new employer and as if it were continuous.

Where the Employee accepts such an offer, the Employee shall not be entitled to any severance payment under clause (i) of this Appendix.

Where the Employee declines to accept the position, the Employee will consult with the Employer over redeployment and other options contained in clauses c) to i), including the following option.

Where the person acquiring the activity offers a different role or employment on less favourable terms and conditions, the Employee(s) and their union representative(s) may, at their sole option, negotiate with the University over the terms and conditions surrounding termination of employment with the University and acceptance of employment with the new employer.

APPENDIX B: GRANDFATHERED RETIREMENT LEAVE ELIGIBILITY - ĀHEINGA
WHAKAMATUATNGA *GRANDFATHERED RETIREMENT*

The following employees were employed prior to 30 September 2006 and are therefore eligible for retirement leave under clause H6.1.1:

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Irving, John Percy
Chandra, Prakash
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ATTACHMENT: ROSTER FOR REFERENCE - HE MAHERE TOHUTORO

Attached Roster for reference. This roster will be fully implemented by 24 October 2011

New 5 week 8 and 12 Hour Shifts Roster

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	hrs
Week 1	M	M	M	M	M	RDO	RDO	40
Week 2	A	A	A	A	A	RDO	RDO	40
Week 3	N	N	N	N	N	N12	N12	64
Week 4	RDO	RDO	RDO	RDO	RDO	D12	D12	24
Week 5	RDO	SPARE	SPARE	TRAINING	SPARE	RDO	RDO	32

M - 06:30 to 15:00

A - 14:30 to 23:00

N - 22:30 to 07:00

N12 - 19:00 to 07:00

D12 - 07:00 to 19:00

SPARE - mornings or afternoons depending on staffing requirements. Week remains flexible (any 4 days during this week)

Training day from 10:00 to 8:00 RDO - Rostered day off

Total hours over 5 weeks- 200 Average hours over 5 weeks = 40

M - Meal breaks:

1st break - 30 minutes between 09:00 and 10:00

2nd Break - 30 minutes between 12:00 and 13:00

A - Meal breaks

1st Break - 30 minutes between 17:00 and 18:00

2nd Break - 30 minutes between 20:00 and 21:00

N - Meal Breaks

1st Break - 30 minutes between 01:00 and 02:00

2nd Break - 30 minutes between 04:00 and 05:00

N12 Breaks -

1st Break - 30 minutes between 10:00 and 11:00

2nd Break - 30 minutes between 15:00 and 16:00

D12 Breaks

1st Break - 30 minutes between 22:00 and 23:00

2nd Break - 30 minutes between 03:00 and 04:00