



Ngā Kupu Ora Collection Development Policy (Manawatū)

Introduction

The Ngā Kupu Ora collection at the Manawatū Campus Library is a unique research level collection with significant Māori content across all subject areas. Material is interfiled regardless of format. This collection is managed by Māori Services.

History of the Collection

The Ngā Kupu Ora collection was established in 2005 as a standalone collection covering a range of disciplines in order to support the teaching and research needs of staff and students. Material included in this collection contains significant (50%+) Māori content. This collection is housed adjacent to the New Zealand collection on Level 2 of the Manawatū Library. The intention is to make Māori material more accessible to students and staff.

Description of the Collection

Monographs

The collection consists of some 12,000 monographs, 1,000 Audio Visual items and 800 Reference titles across all disciplines. There are a large number of titles in te reo Māori for beginners and fluent Māori speakers. The collection also contains junior material with Māori content and/or in te reo Māori, comprising readers, picture books, junior fiction, Māori school journals and teacher resources. A number of titles related to the Tiriti o Waitangi are held, as are Waitangi Tribunal reports. All contemporary publishing related to Māori is actively collected. There are a number of theses with Māori content and in te reo Māori available from Massey Research Online.

Journals

All significant Māori journal titles are collected, including Mana, He Pukenga Kōrero, AlterNative, Te Karere Māori, Toi te Kupu, Tū Mai, Te Ao Hou, Māori Law Review, MAI Review and Kokiri; where possible electronic access is purchased along with print format. Māori research is also published in New Zealand journals held in the main journal collections and online.

Māori Land Court Minute Books

The Manawatū Library purchases Minute Books related to geographical areas close to the Manawatū, Northland, and Waikato areas. The collection is not comprehensive. Currently held series are from Gisborne, Napier, Ōtaki, Tairāwhiti, Wanganui, Taranaki, Tokaanu, Urewera, Waiapu, Wairarapa, Wairoa, Wellington, Ikaroa, Papatipu, Tolaga Bay and Waipaoa. The collection is shelved in a separate sequence adjacent to Ngā Kupu Ora. To search within this collection the Māori Land Court Minute Books Index is available online to current students and staff.

Databases

There are a number of databases which include Māori content – INNZ, Newztext Plus,

Newztext Newspapers and Newztext Magazines, Australia/New Zealand Reference Centre. Māori content can also be found in the multi-disciplinary databases Discover, Web of Science, and Scopus, as well as subject specific databases such as Wakareo, Māori Land Court Minute Books Index, Māori Land Legislation Database and those in health, business and art.

Other media

Audio-visual material including films, documentaries and music is collected. Material held on VHS and cassette tapes will be format-shifted where appropriate and where copyright allows. The library also subscribes to eTV which gives online access to New Zealand and international television channels and recorded television programmes including Māori and Te Reo channels which has significant Māori and te reo Māori content.

Collection Priorities for Selection

All publishing containing significant Māori content and content in te reo Māori is actively collected, excluding ephemera. Multiple copies are purchased if there is expected high demand. Electronic format is purchased in addition to print, as appropriate platforms allow.

Relationships with other libraries

There is a Ngā Kupu Ora collection at the Albany Library which has content across all areas and Māori Land Court Minute Books related to geographical areas north of Taupō. Wellington Library comprehensively collects Māori art material.

Withdrawal and Weeding

The majority of the collection is kept. Weeding of superseded editions is done on a regular basis as new editions are published. Audio Visual items in an 'old' format will be checked for the currency of information, te reo content and audio/video quality. These will then be shifted to the 'new' format and the old item deleted. Once these are deleted Māori staff are sent an email with a list of titles. Māori resources are not dumped into the bin but recycled to another 'home.'

Preservation and security

Print journals and some reference works are classified 'not for loan'. Resources that are damaged and have sufficient significance to retain in the collection are mended or replaced if possible.

Related Collection Development policies

Albany Ngā Kupu Ora

Manawatū New Zealand Collection