Māori glossary of common educational terms

Ako - learn

In te ao Māori, the concept of ako means both to teach and to learn. It recognises the knowledge that both teachers and learners bring to learning interactions, and it acknowledges the way that new knowledge and understandings can grow out of shared learning experiences.

Akomanga - classroom

The place of learning and teaching.

Ākonga - a learner

Aromatawai - assessment

Kāhui ako - learning communities

Kaiako - a teacher or lecturer

Kaiako Kanikani - dance teacher

Karaehe Tautoko - tutorial

Marautanga - curriculum

Mātauranga - knowledge

Orau - percent or percentage

Pāhi - pass, succeed, win

Pānui - reading, notice for information

Pātaitaitanga - quiz

Pukapuka matua - textbook

Tohu Mātauranga - university degree, academic qualification

Whakamātatau - examination, test

Whare Wānanga - a university or place of higher learning