Staff Profiles

Roy Montgomery



Roy Montgomery is a Senior Lecturer in Environmental Management at Lincoln University. He is the Examiner for ERST 205 Principles of Urban and Regional Planning; ERST 601 Advanced Theory in Resource Studies; ERST 635 Group Case Study; and co-lecturer of ERST 633 Integrated Environmental Management.

His research interests include urban ecology and design, planning history, and heritage conservation. He also has a particular interest in 'Actor Network Theory' as applied to environmental issues.

Roy's diverse academic career has involved studying for a Bachelor of Arts in Russian, Master of Science in Resource Management and a PhD in Theatre and Film Studies, all at the University of Canterbury. Consequently his professional career has involved memorable work including working for the Waimairi County Council answering building permit enquiries and mapping secret pig farms.

As well as being an entertaining lecturer Roy has a busy schedule with being a volunteer fire fighter for the Lincoln Fire Brigade. He is an aspiring musician; you'll find him on YouTube, "the one that isn't the Christian country guitarist." He resides in Upper Ferrymead where he is attempting to build a lighthouse in the garden for the amusement of his children.

Hirini Matunga



After completing a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Otago and a Bachelor of Town Planning at the University of Auckland, Hirini worked as a planner for many years for the Napier City Council, Ministry of Works and Development, and Auckland Regional Council - with a particular focus on issues for Maori.

Hirini began his career in education as a part time lecturer in planning at

the University of Auckland in 1985. He later moved to Lincoln University in 1992 to become the Associate Director of the Centre for Maori Studies and Research. In 1996 he returned to the University of Auckland as a senior lecturer in planning. In 1999 Hirini became an Associate Professor of Maori and Indigenous Studies at Lincoln University and then Professor of Maori and Indigenous Planning in 2008. He is currently Lincoln University's Assistant Vice Chancellor (Maori and Pacifica).

Hirini is particularly concerned with issues pertaining to Maori planning, philosophies, and the role of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in environmental management and planning. He has established many of the Maori/indigenous studies courses and is primarily concerned with Maori, Pacific, and Indigenous development at Lincoln University. He has worked in an advisory role for many years assisting iwi with environmental issues and helped write Iwi Management Plans for Maori.

Hirini is of Ngai Tahu, Ngati Porou, Ngati Kahungunu, Rong-owhakaata and Ngati Paerangi (Atiu, Cook Islands) descent.