## **INVITATION – DISTINGUISHED VISITOR SEMINAR**

The University of Auckland | Faculty of Education and the New Zealand Youth Mentoring Network warmly invite you to a presentation by Distinguished Visitor Professor Toni Zimmerman who will speak on

Professor Toni Zimmerman Colorado State University

## Mentoring At Risk Youth: a model to address problems in mentoring practice and literature



THURSDAY 19 MARCH 2015 1pm arrival and register, 1.30pm start, 3.30pm finish

In this inspiring seminar, Professor Toni Zimmerman, will describe her work with young people in the youth justice and social service systems.

The Professor and her colleagues developed and implemented the Campus Corps youth mentoring programme in response to an identified community need to better serve at-risk youth. This highly successful evidence-based programme has now been implemented (and adapted) in many local communities and enables undergraduate students to serve as mentors with at-risk youth. Her impressive research record matched with her hands-on practice have seen Campus Corps gain national and international attention, as it addresses many gaps in the mentoring literature including community support, diversity training, and mental health concerns with at-risk youth.

## **VENUE**

The Theatrette, Ground floor, Parliament Buildings Molesworth Street, Wellington

Kindly hosted by Hon. Nikki Kaye, Minister for Youth

## **RSVP**

http://profzimmermanwellington.eventbrite.co.nz

Professor Toni Zimmerman is a distinguished teaching scholar at Colorado State University. Committed to reducing disparity, she has engaged in research and spoken widely about diversity and oppression.

She has extensive expertise in Service Learning and has led students to over 15 countries to work within underserved communities. She has had the privilege to work with and learn from distinguished leaders in the field of human rights such as Archbishop Desmond Tutu on the Semester at Sea program (who noted her work as compelling and essential) and Julienne Bond (civil rights leader who worked closely with Martin Luther King).

Toni has published 100+ articles and chapters many with an emphasis on diversity training with mental health and social services professionals. Her global experiences both inform her diversity research and ground her rich and meaningful stories that merge these cumulative experiences into powerful tools of learning – making her a fascinating and highly engaging presenter.

Importantly, Professor Zimmerman has extensive strategic and practical knowledge about how to effectively implement service / community-based learning into higher education teaching.

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