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Message of Congratulations



“On behalf of both the New Zealand Government and the people of New Zealand, I wish to communicate my warmest congratulations to the deserving recipients of the 2017 Fulbright Awards.

New Zealand and the United States enjoy an excellent relationship that reflects our commonly held democratic values.

The Fulbright programme plays an important part in fostering the close relationship between New Zealand and the United States. Fulbright scholars gain a unique understanding of our similarities and our differences, which can only be mutually beneficial going forward for our relationship.

I congratulate you all on your achievements, and I wish you all the best for your study in the United States.”

Hon Gerry Brownlee
*Minister of Foreign Affairs,
New Zealand
Honorary Chairperson,
Fulbright New Zealand*



“To all of this year’s Fulbright grantees – congratulations! Joining this global whanau of highly regarded and exceptionally talented scholars clearly demonstrates your notable academic, personal, and ambassadorial abilities. It is my sincere pleasure to see you become Fulbrighters, and I commend you for it.

The late Senator J. William Fulbright envisioned the Fulbright program as a vehicle toward a more peaceful future through greater mutual understanding between different countries and cultures. As a recipient, we recognize that you display the skills and qualities to carry on the Fulbright tradition of academic excellence and relationship building. There is nothing more important for the long-term connections between nations and societies than fostering the exchange and collaboration of our best minds and most exceptional people. For that, I am grateful for programs like Fulbright, thankful that your teachers and families have done such a great job supporting you, and thankful that you are willing and able to take part in this amazing adventure.

I wish you continued success and look forward to learning more about your experiences, and the possibilities and potential this program will undoubtedly provide.”

Candy Green
*Chargé d’Affaires, U.S. Embassy
Honorary Chairperson,
Fulbright New Zealand*



“On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of Fulbright New Zealand, I would like to congratulate this year’s grantees. By receiving a Fulbright New Zealand award, you have shown that you were outstanding among the many applications received and that you each possess academic, personal and professional excellence.

As an American who has made New Zealand her home, I have a deep affection for both countries that Fulbright New Zealand grantees will experience on their exchanges. I hope that you find your time abroad enriching, interesting and challenging. Embrace this opportunity to meet new friends, step outside your comfort zone and gain new knowledge. I hope that you will be as proud as I am to contribute to the deep connection between New Zealand and the United States.

We warmly welcome you to the Fulbright family of alumni and wish you well on the journey ahead.”

Harlene Hayne
*Vice-Chancellor, University of Otago
Chairperson of the Board,
Fulbright New Zealand*

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The Fulbright Programme

The Fulbright programme of international educational exchange was an initiative of US Senator J. William Fulbright from Arkansas, who in the aftermath of World War II believed that mutual understanding between different countries and cultures was crucial to ensure a peaceful future for the world.

The Fulbright Act, an ingenious piece of legislation passed by the United States Congress in 1946, directed proceeds from the sale of surplus war property, foreign loan repayments and reparations to fund the “promotion of international good will through the exchange of students in the fields of education, culture, and science.”

In Senator Fulbright’s own words, the Fulbright programme aims “to bring a little more knowledge, a little more reason and a little more compassion into world affairs and thereby to increase the chance that nations will learn at last to live in peace and friendship.”

New Zealand was the fifth country to sign up to the Fulbright programme by bilateral treaty with the United States of America, in 1948. Since then Fulbright New Zealand has granted more than 3,000 exchange awards, sending more than 1,700 New Zealand graduate students, artists, academics, teachers and professionals on exchanges to the US and welcoming more than 1,300 Americans on exchanges to New Zealand.

Fulbright New Zealand is jointly funded by the US and New Zealand governments with additional funding from award sponsors, private philanthropists and alumni donors. It is governed by a twelve member Board of Directors comprised of six New Zealanders and six Americans.

The Fulbright programme has been described as one of the largest and most significant movements of scholars across the face of the earth and now operates in over 155 countries, funding around 8,000 exchanges per year for participants to study, research, teach or present their work in another country.

The more than 300,000 Fulbright alumni worldwide include heads of state, cabinet ministers, ambassadors, politicians, judges, heads of corporations, university presidents, journalists, artists, professors and teachers.

Esteemed alumni of the Fulbright programme include Dame Marie Clay, Sir Kenneth Keith, Sir Wallace Rowling, Dame Anne Salmond, David Cunliffe, Gareth Farr, Witi Ihimaera, Michael King, Alan MacDiarmid, Bill Manhire, Ron Paterson, Jan Wright and many other prominent New Zealanders.

Fulbright grantees make the most of their exchanges to get to know and understand a different country and culture, to advance themselves academically or professionally and to make lifelong friendships and professional relationships. Many look back on their Fulbright exchange as a life-changing experience and a defining moment of their career.

Fulbright Graduate Programme

Fulbright New Zealand offers a range of awards to New Zealand and American graduate students to study or research in each other’s countries. Grantees are selected on the basis of academic excellence, leadership potential and ambassadorial qualities. In addition to award payments towards study or research, all grantees receive return airfares, a basic health benefit plan, enrichment activities and programme support during their exchange.

Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Awards

These awards are for promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research at US institutions in fields targeted to support growth and innovation in New Zealand.

Thirteen awards, valued up to US\$35,000, were granted this year. These awards are sponsored by the Minister of Science and Innovation.



Andrew Pauling

Andrew Pauling from Dunedin will research the impact of Antarctic ice sheet collapse on the global climate at the University of Washington in Seattle, towards a PhD in Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Otago.

Andrew graduated with a BSc (Hons) in 2014, and will graduate with an MSc in 2017, both in Physics, from the University of Otago.



Angus Chapman

Angus Chapman from Wellington will complete a PhD in Psychology, specialising in cognitive neuroscience, at the University of California, San Diego.

Angus graduated with a BSc (Hons) from Victoria University of Wellington in 2015.



Lottie Boardman

Lottie Boardman from Christchurch will complete a Master of Environmental Management degree at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.

Lottie graduated with an LLB (Hons) and BSc in Biological Sciences and Philosophy from the University of Canterbury in 2014 and an LLM from Victoria University of Wellington in 2016.



David Robinson

David Robinson from Hamilton will complete a Master of Science in Robotic Systems Development, at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

David graduated with a BE (Hons) in Mechatronics Engineering in 2016 from the University of Auckland.



Paige Thomas

Paige Thomas from Auckland will research the impact of skill training on motor neuron disease at Columbia University in New York, towards a PhD in Speech and Language Sciences at the University of Canterbury.

Paige graduated with a BSc in 2013 from the University of Auckland and an MSLP in 2015 from the University of Canterbury.



Hanareia Ehau-Taumaunu Ngāti Uepōhatu, Ngāti Porou, Te Ātiawa, Te Whānau-a-Āpanui, Ngāpuhi

Hanareia Ehau-Taumaunu from Ruatorea will complete a PhD specialising in plant pathology at Penn State University in State College, Pennsylvania.

Hanareia graduated with a BSc/BA Conjoint in 2015, and an MSc (Hons) in 2017 from the University of Auckland.



Rahul Gandhi

Rahul Gandhi from Auckland will complete a Masters in Public Health focused on Global Health, from Harvard University in Cambridge.

Rahul graduated with a BSc in Neuroscience from the University of Otago in 2004, an MBChB from the University of Auckland in 2009, and an MBA from Oxford University in 2016.



Hazelle Tomlin

Hazelle Tomlin from Christchurch will complete a Master of Environmental Science specialising in Greenhouse Gas Management and Accounting at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Hazelle graduated with a BSc in Geology and Geography from the University of Canterbury in 2016.



Rebecca Bonnevie

Rebecca Bonnevie from Wellington will complete a Master in Laws specialising in information privacy, cyber security, and law and the internet at Columbia University in New York.

Rebecca graduated with a BA and LLB (Hons) from Victoria University in Wellington in 2008.



Jeremy Lee-Hand

Jeremy Lee-Hand from Dunedin will complete a PhD in Physics specialising in Condensed Matter at Stony Brook University in New York.

Jeremy graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2015.



Richard Hunter

Richard Hunter from Christchurch will complete a Master of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering, specialising in space vehicle design and optimisation, at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Richard graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2012.



Kate Turner

Kate Turner from Dunedin will complete a PhD in Geophysics specialising in sea ice geophysics within a collaborative research environment of scientific and indigenous knowledge at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

Kate graduated with a BSc from the University of Otago in 2010, and a BSc (Hons) from Victoria University of Wellington in 2015.



Sarah Nelson

Sarah Nelson from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Economics, specialising in renewable energies and the environment, at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Sarah graduated with a BSc and a BCom from the University of Auckland in 2017.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Graduate Award

This award is for a promising New Zealand graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research in the US in a field of indigenous development.

One award, valued up to US\$35,000, was granted this year.



Te Puoho Katene Ngāti Toarangatira, Ngāti Tama, Ngāti Whātua

Te Puoho Katene from Porirua will complete a Master of Science in Management degree at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California.

Te Puoho graduated with a BSc and a BA from Victoria University of Wellington in 2007.

Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

These awards are for promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research at US institutions in any field.

Five awards, valued up to US\$35,000, were granted this year.



Alexander Cheesebrough

Alex Cheesebrough from Christchurch will complete a Masters in Engineering Management at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina.

Alex graduated with a BE (Hons) (First Class) from the University of Canterbury in 2016.



Ben Riordan

Ben Riordan from Dunedin will research a text message-based intervention for new university students at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Ben graduated with a BA in 2011 and an MSc in 2014 from the University of Otago and is currently completing a PhD in Psychology at the University of Otago.



Charlotte Skerten

Charlotte Skerten from Dunedin will complete a Master of Laws specialising in international law at Columbia University in New York.

Charlotte graduated with an LLB (Hons) and a BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from the University of Otago in 2012.



Trish Tupou

Trish Tupou from Auckland will complete a Master of Arts in Pacific Islands Studies specialising in climate change and indigenous environmental narratives at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

Trish graduated with a BA (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2017.



Salina Fisher

Salina Fisher from Wellington will complete a Master of Music in Composition at the Manhattan School of Music in New York.

Salina graduated with a BMus in 2013 and a PGDipMus in 2014 from Victoria University of Wellington.



Sarah Neill (2016 Fulbright New Zealand Science and Innovation Graduate Award Grantee, University of Auckland/ University of California Berkeley) on a trip to the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco while her aunt was visiting from New Zealand.

Fulbright US Graduate Awards

These awards are for promising US graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research at New Zealand institutions in any field.

Nine awards, valued up to NZ\$33,000, were granted this year.



Alex Cheung

Alex Cheung from Kailua, Hawai'i is completing a Master's of Bioethics and Health Law, specialising in the role that culture plays in ethnically diverse health care settings at the University of Otago.

Alex graduated with a BS from Stanford University in 2016.



Britta Clark

Britta Clark from Goshen, Vermont is completing a Master's in Philosophy at the University of Otago, focusing on the philosophical aspects of recent New Zealand legislation ascribing legal personhood to the Whanganui River.

Britta graduated with a BA from Bates College in 2016.



Lizzie Yarina

Lizzie Yarina from Houghton, Michigan is researching the urban implications of Pacific Islander climate change migration in New Zealand at Victoria University of Wellington.

Lizzie graduated with a joint MA in Architecture and City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2017.



Karsten Lorentz

Karsten Lorentz from Wenatchee, Washington is completing a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in modern day erosional processes occurring on a microscopic scale at Victoria University of Wellington.

Karsten graduated with a BS from Montana State University in 2015.



Kirsten Koslovsky

Kirsten Kozlovsky from Sunnyvale, California is researching finite element modeling of 3D printing of polymers at the University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology.

Kirsten graduated with a BS in 2014 and an MS in 2017 from the University of Notre Dame, where she will complete a PhD in Mechanical Engineering.



Kyla Siemens

Kyla Siemens from Salem, Oregon is completing a Master's of Biomedical Science, specialising in breast cancer research, at the University of Auckland.

Kyla graduated with a BS in Biology from the University of Oregon in 2016.



Lorien Jordan

Lorien Jordan from Atlanta, Georgia is researching decolonizing psychology at Massey University and the Family Centre, Lower Hutt.

Lorien graduated with a BA from Arizona State University in 2000, an MA from New York University in 2005, and an MA from Mercer University in 2012. She is studying towards a PhD from the University of Georgia.



Olivia Truax

Olivia Truax from Chapel Hill, North Carolina is completing a Master's of Science by thesis in geology researching how the Antarctic climate system evolved during the Holocene period at the University of Otago.

Olivia graduated with a BA from Amherst College in 2016.



Scott Lockwood

Scott Lockwood from Zionsville, Indiana is researching marine microbial production of methane in response to phytoplankton blooms with the Marine Science and Microbiology Department at the University of Otago.

Scott graduated with a BA in Mathematics and Biology from DePauw University in 2016.

Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellowship

This award provides opportunities for US citizens to participate in an academic year of overseas travel and storytelling on a globally significant theme. This Fellowship is made possible through a partnership between the US Department of State and the National Geographic Society.

Five Fellowships were awarded this year, and for the first time, a Fellow is travelling to New Zealand to carry out her project.



Abigail McBride

Abby McBride from Machiasport, Maine is writing and illustrating stories about extraordinary efforts to save seabirds in New Zealand, as a Fulbright-National Geographic Digital Storytelling Fellow.

Abby is a science writer and sketch biologist with degrees from MIT and Williams College.



Alex Shegay (2016 Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research, University of Auckland/University of Washington, Seattle) helped 10-year old Ella and a classmate with their science project to investigate the strength of sustainable construction materials for houses. "The girls constructed three prototype houses (mud+straw, aluminium and timber) and I helped them test it at the UW engineering school, where I have access to a small shake-table - a platform that shakes to simulate an earthquake. One evening they came over with their dad and we shook all of the houses to collapse and recorded damage in the process. The girls had a blast and I'm hoping they get a high grade to reflect their effort!"

Fulbright Scholar Programme

Fulbright New Zealand offers a range of awards to New Zealand and American academics, artists and professionals to research, teach, present their work and gain practical experience in each other's countries.

Awards range from small contributions towards short term visits to fully-funded exchanges of up to one academic year, including airfares, a basic health benefit plan and programme support.

Fulbright New Zealand Scholar Awards

These awards are for New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to lecture and/or conduct research in the US for three to five months.

Six awards, valued up to US\$37,500, were granted this year.



Elizabeth Broadbent

Elizabeth Broadbent from Auckland is researching the design of companion robots to improve health at Tufts University in Boston.

Elizabeth is an Associate Professor in Health Psychology at the University of Auckland.



John Overton

John Overton from Wellington is researching the political geography of the Pacific Islands at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa.

John is Professor of Development Studies at Victoria University of Wellington.



Rachel Spronken-Smith

Rachel Spronken-Smith from Dunedin is researching doctoral training systems in the US and NZ, and ascertaining how well the different systems are preparing graduates for the workplace.

Rachel is Dean of the Graduate Research School at the University of Otago, and a researcher in the university's Higher Education Development Centre.



Ruth Empson

Ruth Empson from Dunedin is participating in research to understand how brain activity controls movement at the Department of Neurobiology at Stanford University.

Ruth is an Associate Professor in Physiology at the University of Otago.



Steven Ratuva

Steven Ratuva is researching horizontal inequality, affirmative action and Pacific Island minorities at UCLA, Duke University and Georgetown University.

Steven is Director of the Macmillan Brown Centre for Pacific Studies and professor at the University of Canterbury.



Timothy Stern

Timothy Stern from Wellington is researching mountain building processes in Antarctica using a suite of computer codes that simulate viscous instability growth in the earth's mantle at University of Colorado, Boulder.

Timothy is a Professor of Geophysics at Victoria University of Wellington.

Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Programme for New Zealand Teachers

These awards are for highly accomplished New Zealand teachers in primary or secondary schooling to participate in an intensive professional development programme in the US for four months at Indiana University.

Two awards were granted this year.



Karen Douglas

Karen Douglas from Auckland will research the use of digital and collaborative learning in literacy education, with a particular focus on senior students, at Indiana University.

Karen is the Head of History at Botany Downs Secondary College in East Auckland.



Keith Dobson

Keith Dobson from Palmerston North will research how student directed learning can be enhanced using technology to maximise engagement and outcomes at Indiana University.

Keith is Head of Visual Arts and Head of House (Dean) at Awatapu College.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga Scholar Award

This award is for a New Zealand academic, artist or professional to conduct research and/or lecture in the US for three to five months in a field of indigenous development.

One award, valued up to US\$37,500, was granted this year.



Robert Joseph

Robert Joseph is researching the indigenous self-determination governance and economic performance cultural nexus at the University of Arizona.

Robert is a Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand and lecturer at the University of Waikato.



Photo of Michelle Johnson-Jennings (2017 Fulbright US Scholar Award Grantee, page 17).

Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency

This award is for a New Zealand writer of Pacific heritage to carry out work on an approved creative writing project exploring Pacific identity, culture or history at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa for three months.

One residency, valued up to NZ\$30,000, was granted this year.



David Eggleton

David Eggleton from Dunedin will research, develop and complete a collection of poems about his Pasifika heritage at the Center for Pacific Islands Studies (CPIS) at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa.

David is an award-winning poet, writer, critic, editor, and arts journalist whose work has appeared in a wide range of publications.

Fulbright-Wallace Arts Trust Award

This award is for an outstanding mid-career or senior New Zealand visual artist to undertake a ten week residency at Headlands Center for the Arts in Sausalito, California.

One residency, valued up to US\$24,000, was granted this year.



Simon Morris

Simon Morris from Wellington is a visual artist researching site-responsive abstract painting at Headlands Centre for the Arts, San Francisco.

Simon is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Art Whiti O Rehua, College of Creative Arts, Massey University, Wellington.

Fulbright US Scholar Awards

These awards are for US academics, artists or professionals to lecture and/or conduct research in New Zealand for three to five months.

Four awards, valued up to NZ\$40,000, were granted this year.



Alice Fothergill

Alice Fothergill from Burlington, Vermont will research children and disaster preparedness at the Joint Centre for Disaster Research at Massey University in Wellington.

Alice is a Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Vermont.



Andrew Schwartz

Andrew Schwartz from Boulder, Colorado will research equity crowdfunding at the University of Auckland Law School.

Andrew is an Associate Professor at the University of Colorado Law School.



Anna Clark

Anna Clark from Minneapolis, Minnesota will research individualism, social welfare, and land rights in nineteenth century New Zealand at the history department of Victoria University, Wellington.

Anna is a Professor of History at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.



Michelle Johnson-Jennings Choctaw Nation, American Indian

Michelle Johnson-Jennings of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma will research a framework for Indigenous traditional healing within western medicine.

Michelle is the Director at the Research for Indigenous Community Health (RICH) Center, Associate to the Dean for Indigenous Research and Assistant Professor in the College of Pharmacy at the University of Minnesota.

Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Programme for US Teachers

These awards are for highly accomplished US teachers in primary or secondary schooling to participate in an intensive professional development programme in New Zealand for three to five months with the Faculty of Education at Victoria University of Wellington.

Seven awards were granted this year.



Amanda Short

Amanda Short from Albuquerque, New Mexico will research culturally-relevant pedagogy and curricular practices based on Māori education, toward improving teacher professional development.

Amanda graduated with an MA in special education from the University of New Mexico in 2007.



Christian Czaniecki

Christian Czaniecki from Washington, D.C. will research the intersection of multiculturalism and the arts.

Christian graduated with a BA in English from West Virginia University in 2003 and an MA from Queens University of Charlotte in 2007.



Gabrielle Popp

Gabrielle Popp from Wyandotte, Michigan will research the use of intensive wraparound services in schools to support children with emotional and behavioral disorders.

Gabrielle graduated with a BS from Western Michigan University in 2008 and an MA and Ed.S. from Grand Valley State University in 2017.



Khalilah Griffin

Khalilah Griffin from New York City, New York will research best practices in educating Māori and Pasifika students with special education needs.

Khalilah graduated with a BA from Florida State University in 2000 and an MS from Hunter College in 2008.



Nathan Ramin

Nathan Ramin from Chicago, Illinois will study efforts to create a culturally-relevant pedagogy for the social studies classroom in New Zealand.

Nathan graduated with a BA from Loyola University Chicago in 2003 and an MA from DePaul University in 2008.



Scott Mandarino

Scott Mandarino from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania will research outdoor education as part of an elementary physical education curriculum.

Scott graduated with a BA from the University of Pittsburgh in 1992 and an MAT in 1997.



Tina Effray

Tina Effray from Belfair, Washington will research how assessment literacy is viewed and utilized in a global educational context.

Tina graduated from the University of Washington with a BA in 2006, a Certificate in Elementary Education in 2007 and an MA in 2008.

Fulbright Global Scholar Award

This award allows US academics and professionals to engage in multi-country, trans-regional projects. US scholars are able to research or combine teaching/research activity in two to three countries with flexible schedule options.

For the first time, a Global Scholar is travelling to New Zealand for a segment of their award.



Alan Daly

Alan J. Daly from San Diego, California will research the eco-systems of relationships between educators in partnership with the education faculty at the University of Auckland.

Alan J. Daly is Chair and Professor of the Department of Education Studies at the University of California, San Diego.

Awards for Institutions

The Fulbright programme offers a range of awards to New Zealand and American institutions to host visiting academics, artists and professionals for lectures, seminars, workshops, conferences or symposiums, to help initiate international programmes and to contribute to curriculum development at the host institution.

Fulbright Specialist Awards

These awards are for New Zealand academic institutions to host US academics, artists or professionals for two to six week programmes of lectures, seminars, workshops, conferences or symposiums.

Four awards, valued up to NZ\$11,700, were granted this year.

David Griffiths



David Griffiths from Portland, Oregon will lecture on Elementary Particle Physics at the University of Otago, Victoria University of Wellington and the University of Auckland.

David is an Emeritus Professor of Physics at Reed College.

Harriet Kuhnlein



Harriet Kuhnlein will review the existing health and food information of Māori and Pasifika peoples, in order to create local sustainable diets at Massey University.

Harriet is Adjunct Professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences of the University of Hawai'i in Manoa.

Heather Maynard



Heather Maynard from Los Angeles, California will research applications of biohybrid polymeric materials in food and agriculture at the University of Auckland.

Heather is a professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at UCLA and an Associate Director of the California NanoSystems Institute.

Mara Sapon-Shevin



Mara Sapon-Shevin from Syracuse, New York will collaborate with colleagues at the University of Waikato and the University of Auckland on issues related to inclusive education, social justice and diversity.

Mara is a Professor of Inclusive Education at Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York.



Harrison Jull shares a selfie from his road tripping adventure to Times Square in New York City. Pictured from left to right: Dickson Lui, Mataroria Lyndon (2016 Fulbright New Zealand Science and Innovation Graduate Award Grantee, University of Auckland/Harvard University), Kandyce Anderson (2016 Fulbright US Graduate Award Grantee, American University/University of Waikato), and Harrison Jull (2016 Fulbright New Zealand Science and Innovation Graduate Award Grantee, University of Waikato/Nova Southeastern University).

Other Awards and Fellowships

Fulbright New Zealand administers other awards and fellowships for exchange between New Zealand and the US, on behalf of various partner organisations.

Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy

These fellowships, offered by the Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships Board and funded by various New Zealand government agencies, are for outstanding mid-career US professionals to research and gain first-hand experience of public policy in New Zealand for seven months.

Three fellowships, valued up to NZ\$58,500, were granted this year.

Amy Downs



Amy Downs from Denver, Colorado is researching access and equity in New Zealand's primary health care system at Treasury.

Amy is Vice President of the Colorado Health Institute where she leads the organisation's policy analytics work.

Lisa Lunt



Lisa from Southport Island, Maine is researching the intersection of mental health and the criminal justice system, specifically focusing on policies and programs that can be implemented in the courthouse.

Lisa is an Assistant Federal Public Defender at the Office of the Federal Public Defender in the District of Maryland.

Sarah Bolton



Sarah Bolton from Washington, DC, is researching equity in New Zealand's primary and secondary education system, focusing on outcomes for Māori, Pasifika, and low-socioeconomic status students.

Sarah spent ten years working in the United States Senate, developing national public policy in the fields of education, child welfare, and poverty.

New Zealand Harkness Fellowship

New Zealand Harkness Fellowships are for emerging New Zealand leaders in any field of study or vocation (excluding health care policy and practice) to study or research in the US for between eight and twelve weeks. One award is offered annually to a person who is currently employed in a public sector organisation in New Zealand.

One fellowship, valued up to NZ\$30,000, was granted this year.

Peter Coleman



Peter Coleman from Wellington is researching quantitative tools for supporting culture change in the public sector, with a specific focus on enhancing military integration. Peter is being hosted by the Strategic Studies Institute of the US Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Peter is Strategic Advisor at the Office of the Chief of Defence Force.



Above: Graduates from University of California, Berkeley. *Photo provided by Sarah Neill.*

Next page: Artwork completed by Lavie Raven (*2016 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Programme for US Teachers*) during his Fulbright programme in New Zealand.

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