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Messages of Congratulations



"I offer my congratulations to all recipients of 2015 Fulbright awards.

The Fulbright programme is a key part of the relationship between New Zealand and the United States. Through the vision of Senator J. William Fulbright, scores of New Zealanders and Americans have experienced first-hand the closeness between our two countries. Your scholarships will provide you with experiences that will enrich your lives. Your challenge is to translate that into a bright future, benefiting you, your family and your communities.

I wish you all the best."

Hon Murray McCully
Minister of Foreign Affairs, New Zealand
Honorary Chairperson, Fulbright New Zealand



"Congratulations to all of 2015's new Fulbright grantees. You are now representatives of one of the most prestigious and influential exchange programs in the world. As Fulbrighters you carry the proud legacy of 'turning nations into people.' I have no doubt that the Americans and New Zealanders you meet in your new neighborhoods and academic communities will welcome you warmly. The Fulbright program will help you open doors and make friends not just now, but throughout your careers. By making the most of this opportunity to learn, teach, and engage, and by being yourselves, I am confident that you will represent your disciplines, your institutions, and your countries with distinction."

Mark Gilbert
US Ambassador to New Zealand
Honorary Chairperson, Fulbright New Zealand



"On behalf of Fulbright New Zealand's Board of Directors and staff, I would like to welcome this year's grantees to the Fulbright family of more than 3,000 esteemed alumni.

My Fulbright experience, an important and memorable time in both my career and personal life, was immeasurably enriching. For more than 65 years, Fulbright New Zealand grantees have been proud to contribute to the strong bond between our two countries. We warmly congratulate each of the grantees on their achievement in joining the rich tradition of academic exchange between the United States of America and New Zealand. "

Dr Helen Anderson
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.

Pictured: J. William Fulbright as University of Arkansas President, ca. 1941
Courtesy of Special Collections, University of Arkansas Libraries, Fayetteville

Fulbright Student 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-Platinum Triangle Award in Business

This two-year award is for an emerging New Zealand business leader to complete a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree at a US institution and gain professional work experience in the US and New Zealand.

Two awards valued at up to US\$75,000 were offered this year.



Hamish Shaw

Hamish Shaw from South Otago will complete a Master of Business Administration degree specialising in strategy and entrepreneurship, at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Hamish graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2010.



Sarah Reo Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Rangituhia, Ngai Tahu, Taranaki

Sarah Reo from PakiPaki, Hawke's Bay will complete a Master of Business Administration at the University of Hawaii.

Sarah graduated with a BA in Māori in 1995 and with an LLB in 1998 from Victoria University of Wellington.

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.

18 awards were granted, valued at up to US\$33,000 and sponsored by the Minister of Science and Innovation.



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Adele Quigley-McBride

Adele Quigley-McBride from Wellington will complete a PhD specialising in Social Psychology, with a focus on Law and Psychology, at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

Adele graduated with an LLB and a BSc with first class Honours in 2014 from Victoria University of Wellington.



Alexandra McNeill

Alexandra McNeill from Palmerston North will research surface modification of zinc oxide at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, as part of her PhD in Chemistry at the University of Canterbury.

Alexandra graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2014.



Ashley Campbell

Ashley Campbell from Dunedin will complete a PhD in Biochemistry, specialising in structural biology at the University of Missouri.

Ashley graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2011, and is currently completing an MSc at the University of Otago.



Benjamin Simons

Benjamin Simons from Tauranga will research volcanic degassing processes of steady-state volcanic systems at The University of Hawaii.

Ben graduated with an MSc in Earth Sciences from the University of Waikato in 2013, and is currently a PhD candidate at The University of Auckland.



Calum Rickard

Calum Rickard from Wellington will complete a PhD in Applied Mathematics, specialising in stochastic partial differential equations, at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

Calum graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2014.



David Collinson

David Collinson from Auckland will complete a PhD in Mechanical Engineering specialising in nanomechanics and nanomaterials at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

David graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2014.



Eloise Gibson

Eloise Gibson from Auckland will complete a Master of Arts in Journalism specialising in science, health and the environment at Columbia University in New York.

Eloise graduated with an LLB from the University of Waikato in 2002 and obtained a Graduate Diploma in Journalism from AUT University in 2007.



Emily Lambie

Emily Lambie from Ashburton will research human behaviour during earthquake shaking as a visiting student researcher at California State University in Long Beach, California.

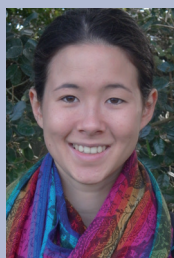
Emily graduated with an MSc (First Class Honours) from Canterbury University in 2014.



Gaurav Sharma

Gaurav Sharma from Auckland will complete a Master of Business Administration, specialising in healthcare management and entrepreneurial engagement strategy, at George Washington University in Washington, DC.

Gaurav graduated with a MBChB in Medicine from The University of Auckland in 2011.



Genevieve Coffey

Genevieve Coffey from Levin will complete a PhD in earth and environmental sciences researching the thermal alteration of organic material in fault zones at Columbia University in New York.

Genevieve graduated with a BSc in 2012 and an MSc in 2015 from the University of Otago.



Grace Salisbury Mills

Grace Salisbury Mills from Wellington will complete a Master of Science in Architecture and Urban Design at Columbia University in New York.

Grace graduated with a BAS and an MArch (Professional), which she has passed with Distinction, from Victoria University of Wellington in 2013.



Imogen Browne

Imogen Browne from Upper Hutt will complete a PhD in Marine Science researching paleoclimate in Antarctica and the Southern Ocean, at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida.

Imogen graduated with a BSc in Geology at the University of Otago in 2013, and is currently completing an MSc in Geology at the University of Otago.



Joseph Corbett-Davies

Joseph Corbett-Davies from Napier will complete a PhD in Mechanical Engineering researching algorithms for control and planning in robotic systems at Cornell University in New York State.

Joseph graduated with a BE (Hons) in Mechatronics Engineering from the University of Canterbury in 2014.



Mevagh Sanson

Mevagh Sanson from Whangarei will research the effectiveness and consequences of trigger warnings, at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York, towards a PhD in Psychology from Victoria University of Wellington.

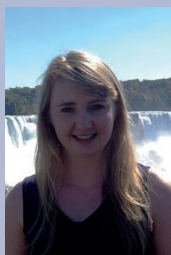
Mevagh graduated with a BSc (Hons) from Victoria University of Wellington in 2012.



Rebecca Purvis

Rebecca Purvis from Wellington will complete a Master of Science in Genetic Counselling at Arcadia University in Philadelphia.

Rebecca graduated with a BSc majoring in genetics, and a PGDip specialising in bioethics from the University of Otago in 2014. She is currently completing a CoP in Business Studies at Massey University.



Sara Bailey

Sara Bailey from Hawke's Bay will complete a Master of Science in Structural Engineering, Mechanics and Materials at the University of California, Berkeley.

Sara graduated with a conjoint BE (Hons) and BCom from The University of Auckland in 2015.



Thomas Swan

Thomas Swan from Christchurch will research the invasion biology of the noxious Asian Tiger Mosquito at Florida University within the Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory located at Vero Beach.

Thomas graduated with a BSc in Biology & Geography in 2013 and is currently completing a Master of Water Resource Management at the University of Canterbury.



Tim Flint

Tim Flint from Palmerston North will research computational fluid dynamics and fluid dynamic shape optimisation at Stanford University, California, towards a PhD at the University of Canterbury.

Tim graduated with a BE (Hons) specialising in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Canterbury in 2015.

Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research

This award is for a promising New Zealand graduate student to undertake postgraduate study or research at a US institution in the field of natural disaster research.

One award valued at up to US\$33,000 is offered each year.



Viranchi Patel

Viranchi Patel from Auckland will complete a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering, specialising in structural and earthquake engineering, at Stanford University in California.

Viranchi graduated with a BE (Hons) and BCom from The University of Auckland in 2014.

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 at up to US\$33,000 is offered each year.



Kingi Snelgar Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whakaue, Te Whakatohea, Ngai Tahu

Kingi Snelgar from Whangarei will complete a Master of Laws degree specialising in criminal justice issues and indigenous law at Harvard University in Boston.

Kingi graduated with a BA/LLB (Hons) from The University of Auckland in 2011.

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.

Approximately eight awards valued at up to US\$33,000 are offered each year. This year eight awards were granted.



Ailsa Lipscombe

Ailsa Lipscombe from Wellington will complete a PhD in Music, specialising in the way contemporary musicology intersects with narrative studies, at the University of Chicago, Illinois.

Ailsa graduated with a BMus (Hons) from Te Kōki New Zealand School of Music in 2014 and is currently completing an MMus at Victoria University of Wellington.



Annalise Fletcher

Annalise Fletcher from Christchurch will research neurological speech disorders, at Florida and Arizona State Universities, towards a PhD in Speech and Language Sciences from the University of Canterbury.

Annalise graduated with a BSLP (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2012.



Bonnie Scarth

Bonnie Scarth from Kaikoura will research suicidology at Cornell University in New York State, towards her PhD at the Centre for Science Communication at the University of Otago.

Bonnie graduated with an MA from the University of Otago in 2015.



Helen Churchman

Helen Churchman from Wellington will complete a Master of Laws degree in International Legal Studies at New York University.

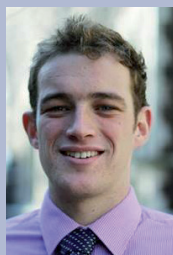
Helen graduated with a BA in European Studies and an LLB (Hons) in 2012 from the University of Otago. She also obtained a Diploma in European and International Law at Paris West University La Défense in 2009.



Kiri Toki Ngāti Wai, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whātua

Kiri Toki from Great Barrier Island will complete a Master of Laws degree specialising in commercial and indigenous legal issues at Harvard University in Boston.

Kiri graduated with a BA and an LLB (Hons) degree from The University of Auckland in 2011.



Paul Winter

Paul Winter from Christchurch will research the impact of alliances on countries' nuclear proliferation decisions, at Georgetown University in Washington DC, towards a PhD in Politics from the University of Otago.

Paul graduated with a BA in 2014 and a MIntSt in 2015 from the University of Otago.



Rebecca Thomson

Rebecca Thomson from Dunedin will complete a Master of Laws at Columbia University in New York, specialising in criminal and public law.

Rebecca graduated with a BA (Hons) in Political Studies and Philosophy and an LLB (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2010.



Tim Chambers

Tim Chambers from Wellington will research the nature and extent of alcohol advertising and availability in children's environments, at Harvard University in Boston, towards a PhD in Public Health from the University of Otago.

Tim graduated with an BPhEd (Hons) in 2013 and a BA in 2014 from the University of Otago.

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.

Approximately 10 awards valued at up to NZ\$33,000 are offered each year. This year nine awards were granted.



Christina Walker

Christina Walker from Nashville, Tennessee is researching how dairy farmers in Rotorua adapt amidst discussed environmental regulations whilst remaining economically sustainable.

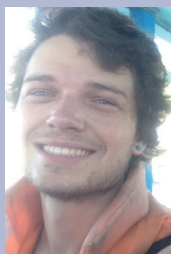
Christina graduated with a BS in journalism and political science from Northwestern University in 2013.



Haley Farrar

Haley Farrar from Richmond, Virginia is researching Restorative Justice, specialising in facilitation and implementation techniques at Victoria University of Wellington.

Haley graduated with a BA from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 2006 and with a Juris Doctorate from Lewis & Clark Law School in 2011.



Kyle Van de Bittner

Kyle Van de Bittner from Moraga, California is completing a Master of Science in Biochemistry, specialising in the biosynthesis of bioactive compounds from fungi at the University of Canterbury.

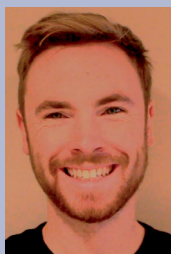
Kyle graduated with two BS degrees from the University of Redlands, California in 2014.



Mark Specht

Mark Specht from Evanston, Illinois is completing a Master of Arts degree in Philosophy, researching ethical considerations of the pest free Stewart Island plan, at the University of Otago.

Mark graduated with a BA from Northwestern University, Illinois in 2014.



Nicholas Homler

Nicholas Homler from Mahwah, New Jersey is researching and filming a documentary focused on the future of independent cinema culture at the University of Waikato.

Nicholas graduated with a BA in Communications: Radio/TV/Film & Interactive Media from Marist College, New York in 2013.



Rachel Scholes

Rachel Scholes from Olympia, Washington is researching the impacts of pesticide runoff on fish populations in the Clutha River watershed, at the University of Otago.

Rachel graduated with a BS from Northwestern University, Illinois in 2014 and is currently completing a PhD at the University of California, Berkeley.



Ryan Metzler

Ryan Metzler from Doylestown, Pennsylvania is completing a Master of Arts degree in film and media studies, through a documentary film specializing in Māori representation and postcolonial theory, at the University of Otago.

Ryan Metzler graduated with a BA from Occidental College, California in 2014.



Sophie Burke

Sophie Burke from Belmont, Massachusetts is researching the post drought recovery of methane production at Kopuatai Peat Dome, the largest remaining undisturbed peat wetland in New Zealand, at the University of Waikato.

Sophie is currently completing a PhD in Earth and Environmental Sciences at the University of New Hampshire.

Fulbright-ANZA US Graduate Award

This award is for a promising US graduate student in the field of environmental studies, public health, geology or engineering to undertake postgraduate study or research at a New Zealand institution related to earthquakes and their repercussions.

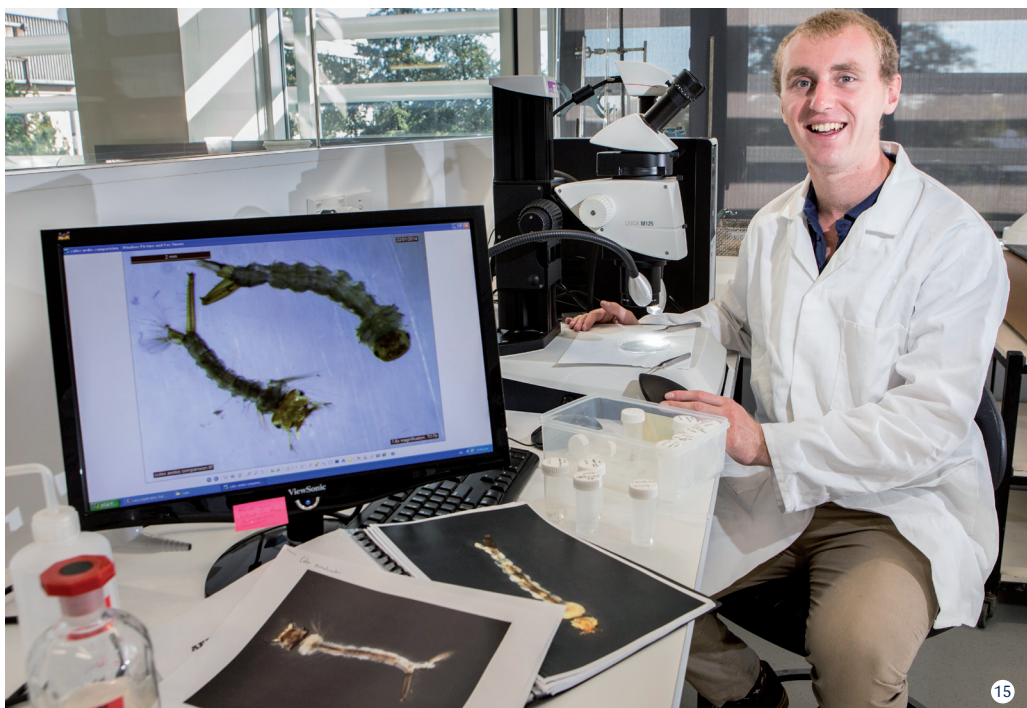
One award valued at up to NZ\$33,000 is offered each year.



Jason Preble

Jason Preble from Kaneohe, Hawai'i is researching the effects of habitat and introduced predators on native bird distributions surrounding a predator-proof reserve at Victoria University of Wellington.

Jason graduated with a BA from Occidental College, California in 2014 and is currently completing a PgDipSc at Victoria University of Wellington.



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.

A small number of awards valued at up to US\$37,500 are offered each year. This year twelve awards were granted, in two selection rounds.



Cathryn Shine

Cathryn Shine from Christchurch will research a collaborative art and science project called the 'Hawaiian Endangered Species Print Project' at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo.

Cathryn is an Associate Professor Adjunct at the University of Canterbury.



Frith Williams

Frith Williams from Wellington is researching developments in digital and bilingual interpretation at New York's Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum and other museums and galleries across the United States.

Frith is Head of Writing and Editing at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa.



Jodie Hunter Cook Island Māori, Pākehā

Jodie Hunter from Palmerston North is researching how diversity and equity in mathematics education can be addressed through the use of funds of knowledge models, at the University of Arizona.

Jodie is a Lecturer at Massey University.



Kim McBreen Waitaha, Kāti Mamoe, Ngāi Tahu

Kim McBreen from Ōtaki is researching resources for communities wanting to decolonise and eliminate gender violence, at the University of California, Riverside.

Kim is a Pūkenga at Te Wānanga o Raukawa.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Scholar Awards

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 at up to US\$37,500 is offered each year.



Matiu Rātima Whakatōhea, Ngāti Pūkeko

Matiu Rātima from Dunedin is doing a comparative study of the teaching and learning of the Māori and Hawaiian languages in university courses at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa.

Matiu is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Otago School of Māori, Pacific and Indigenous Studies.

Fulbright-Cognition Scholar Award in Education Research

This award is for a New Zealand educator or researcher to pursue research in the US designed to have an impact on New Zealand early childhood education or primary/secondary schooling and student achievement, for three to five months.

One award valued at up to US\$37,500 is offered each year.



Michael Harcourt

Michael Harcourt from Wellington is researching culturally responsive history teaching and the role of ethnic identity in shaping students' interpretation of the past at Hunter College, the City University of New York.

Michael is a Social Sciences teacher and Specialist Classroom Teacher at Wellington High School.

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.

Two awards have been granted this year.



David Taylor

David Taylor from Auckland will research ways of empowering parents to support their children's reading development, at Indiana State University.

David is an English teacher at Northcote College.



Lynette Brice

Lynne Brice from Christchurch will complete research on the conditions and strategies of enhanced education environments for teen parent learners at Indiana State University, Bloomington.

Lynne is Director of Karanga Mai Young Parent College in Kaiapoi, Christchurch and Chairperson of the Association of Teen Parent Educators in New Zealand.

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 for three months.

One residency valued at NZ\$30,000 is offered each year.



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Karlo Mila Tongan, Pākehā

Karlo Mila from Wellington is writing a book of poetry and drafting her first novel.

Karlo graduated with a PhD in Sociology from Massey University in 2011 and completed her Postdoctoral Fellowship at The University of Auckland in 2015.

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 at up to US\$24,000 is offered each year.



Ruth Watson

Ruth Watson from Auckland is going to Headlands Center for the Arts where she will make a sculptural and video installation titled 'Cartographies of Dirt', an ongoing project with elements from Australia, Antarctica and now, the US.

Ruth has a PhD from the Australian National University and is a Senior Lecturer at the Elam School of Fine Arts at The University of Auckland.

Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards

These awards are for New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to visit the US for 12 to 90 days in order to present their work to American audiences.

Approximately twelve awards valued at up to NZ\$5,000 are offered each year. This year seven awards were granted.



Reuben Derrick

Reuben Derrick from Christchurch will develop and present new music with fellows at the 2015 Music OMI International Musician Residency Program in Ghent, New York.

Reuben graduated with a DMA from the University of Canterbury in 2014.



Rogelio Guedea Noriega

Rogelio Noriega from Mexico, now living in Dunedin, gave lectures on New Zealand poetry at Texas A&M University and Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Rogelio is an Associate Professor and the coordinator of the Spanish Programme at the University of Otago.



Maggie Buxton

Maggie Buxton from Papakura presented her research into geo locative mobile applications at the 2015 Integral Institute Conference at Sonoma State University. In addition she met with American Indian/Native American scholars from several universities to exchange knowledge on using these applications in indigenous settings. Maggie is the founder of AwhiWorld Ltd and a PhD candidate at AUT University.



Sam Trubridge

Sam Trubridge from Wellington will research performance and creative practices that are 'nomadic' - moving between disciplines, developing new relationships with theatre and exhibition architecture, finding new ways of touring and presenting work.

Sam is the artistic director for The PlayGround NZ Ltd, and The Performance Arcade.



Sarah Cowie

Sarah Cowie from Auckland presented her research into choice and decision-making at the University of Kentucky, the Society for the Quantitative Analysis of Behavior Annual Symposium, and Florida Institute of Technology.

Sarah is a Lecturer at The University of Auckland.



Lyndie Foster Page

Lyndie Foster Page from Dunedin presented her research findings into novel caries management strategies in the community, at the 93rd General Session & Exhibition of the International Association of Dental Research in Boston.

Lyndie is a Senior Lecturer in Dental Public Health at the University of Otago.



Stuti Misra

Stuti Misra from Auckland presented research into the effects of diabetes on the cornea post cataract surgery at the American Academy of Optometry in Denver and was invited to Johns Hopkins University to present findings. Stuti is currently a clinical research fellow (Cornea and Anterior Segment) in the Department of Ophthalmology, New Zealand National Eye Centre at The University of Auckland.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Travel Awards

These awards are for New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to visit the US for 12 to 90 days in order to present their work on a theme of indigenous development to American audiences.

A small number of awards valued at up to NZ\$5,000 are granted each year. This year three awards were granted.



Angela Moewaka Barnes Ngāpuhi, Te Kapotai

Angela Moewaka Barnes from Auckland presented her research into Māori filmmaking and Kaupapa Māori film theory at the University of Washington (Seattle and Tacoma), Denver Indigenous Film & Arts and the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Conference (NAISA) in Washington DC 2015. Angela is a researcher at Whariki Research Group, College of Health at Massey University.



Natasha Tassell-Matamua Te Āti awa, Ngāti Makea kei Rarotonga

Natasha Tassell-Matamua from Palmerston North will present her research into near-death experiences at the International Association for Near-Death Studies Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas, and at the University of North Texas.

Natasha is a Lecturer in Psychology at Massey University.



Tess Chalmers

Tess Chalmers from Papamoa presented her research into Exploring Māori Identity Behind Closed Doors at the 13th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Tess is a DCLinPsych candidate at Massey University.

Fulbright-Meg Everton Professional Enhancement Awards in Education

These awards are for New Zealand teachers, principals and educational researchers in early childhood, primary or secondary education to undertake a professional development activity in the US for 12 to 90 days.

A small number of awards valued at up to NZ\$5,000 are granted each year. This year two awards were granted.



Alexander Davis Te Rarawa

Alexander Davis from the Cook Islands researched community engagement in education at East Carolina University and the University of North Florida.

Alexander is a Curriculum and Pedagogy Advisor at the Cook Islands Ministry of Education.



Maria Galbraith

Maria Galbraith from Auckland attended the National Science Teacher's Association of America's annual national conference in Chicago, Illinois, and visited and presented at several schools across Seattle, Chicago and Washington, DC to explore the teaching and learning of science at elementary level. Maria is a classroom teacher and team leader at Summerland Primary School.

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.

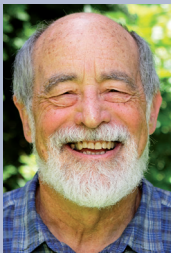
A small number of awards valued at up to NZ\$40,000 are offered each year. This year five awards were granted.



Christine Franklin

Christine Franklin from Athens, Georgia is researching and comparing practices in New Zealand and the United States for implementing school level statistics standards, based at The University of Auckland.

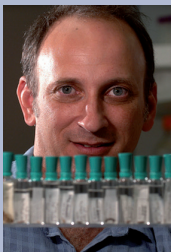
Christine is the Lothar Tresp Honoratus Honors Professor in Statistics at the University of Georgia.



Daniel Saunders

Daniel Saunders from Michigan completed research on New Zealand's child custody procedures in cases of intimate partner violence at the Te Awatea Violence Research Centre of the University of Canterbury.

Daniel is a Professor at the University of Michigan School of Social Work.



David Buchwalter

David Buchwalter from North Carolina mentored an Honours student at the University of Otago and researched the effects of water temperature on the toxicity of the pesticide imidacloprid on non target, New Zealand aquatic insects (mayflies).

David is an Associate Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at North Carolina State University.



Sienna Baskin

Sienna Baskin from New York City researched the origins and effects of New Zealand's Prostitution Reform Act on health and human rights, sponsored by the University of Otago and the New Zealand Prostitute's Collective.

Sienna Baskin is Director of the Sex Workers Project at the Urban Justice Center in New York.



Gretchen Hoffman

Gretchen Hoffman from Santa Barbara, California researched global change biology of marine ecosystems in New Zealand at The University of Auckland.

Gretchen is a Professor in the Department of Ecology, Evolution and Marine Biology at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

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 at Victoria University, Wellington

Eight awards valued at up to NZ\$30,000 have been granted this year.



Patricia Ann Hemans

Patricia Hemans from San Diego will participate in a professional development program at Victoria University of Wellington, and will complete an inquiry project on best practice for teaching at-risk students in trauma-informed schools.

Patricia is an English, Social Studies, Science, and Yoga teacher at Diego Valley Charter School in Oceanside, California.



Susan Levine

Susan Levine from Atlanta, Georgia will participate in a professional development programme at Victoria University of Wellington and complete an inquiry project identifying best practices in creating inclusive and accessible school libraries.

Susan is a Teacher-Librarian at Hawthorne Elementary School, (DCSD) in Atlanta, Georgia.



Nessa Mahmoudi

Nessa Mahmoudi from Oakland, California will participate in a professional development programme at Victoria University of Wellington, and complete an inquiry project on how teachers in Māori medium programs conceptualise and actualise Māori identity development in their classrooms.

Nessa is a Dual Language Teacher at Melrose Leadership Academy, a public TK-8 school in Oakland, California.



Elizabeth Pittman

Elizabeth Pittman from Durham, North Carolina will participate in a professional development programme at Victoria University of Wellington and complete an inquiry project on the use of restorative practices to build and maintain positive relationships with at-risk secondary students. Liz is a Chemistry Teacher and Science Department Chair at H. Grady Spruce High School in Dallas, Texas.



Lisa Purcell

Lisa Purcell, from Salt Lake City, Utah will participate in a professional development program at Victoria University of Wellington, and complete an inquiry project on the role of schools in shaping historical memory and cultural identity.

Lisa is a Social Studies Teacher at the Salt Lake Center for Science Education in Salt Lake City, Utah.



Emily Stanley

Emily Stanley from Baltimore, Maryland will participate in a professional development programme at Victoria University of Wellington, and complete an inquiry project on tools for teaching sustainability in the primary grades.

Emily is Science Department Chair at the Jemicy School in Owings Mills, Maryland.



Megan O'Neill

Megan O'Neill from Spanish Fort, Alabama will participate in a professional development programme at Victoria University of Wellington and complete an inquiry project on science education in New Zealand, creating a science unit incorporating Māori connections with marine environments. Megan is a Marine and Environmental Science Teacher at Spanish Fort High School in Spanish Fort, Alabama.



Angela Palmieri

Angela Palmieri from Los Angeles will participate in a professional development program at Victoria University of Wellington, and complete an inquiry project on New Zealand bilingual education pedagogical approaches and educational strategies. Angela is a kindergarten founding Teacher of a Spanish dual language immersion program at John Muir Elementary in Glendale, California.

Awards for Institutions

The Fulbright programme offers a range of awards to New Zealand and American academic 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.

Awards for institutions contribute towards the costs of hosting a visiting scholar.

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.

Approximately six awards valued at up to NZ\$11,700 are offered each year. This year eight awards were granted.



Alan (Yee-Hong) Liu

Alan (Yee-Hong) Liu from Santa Barbara, California researched, lectured, and consulted on the field of digital humanities and its impact on the humanities and arts more generally at the University of Canterbury.

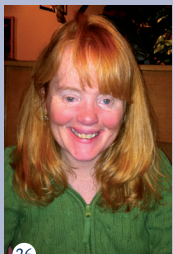
Alan is a Professor in the English Department at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and an affiliated faculty member of UCSB's Media Arts & Technology graduate program.



Dominic Boyer

Dominic Boyer from Houston, Texas worked on University Reform, Globalisation and Europeanisation ('URGE'), a four-year research project at The University of Auckland.

Dominic is a Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Center for Energy and Environmental Research in the Human Sciences at the Rice University in Houston, Texas.



Eileen Wibbeke

Eileen Wibbeke, from San Diego, California will research effects of national culture on business decision-making at AUT University.

Eileen is a Professor of International Business and Leadership and a Consultant on the topic of Geoleadership at American Intercontinental University.



Kathryn Tucker

Kathryn Tucker from Ojai and Los Angeles, California, served as a Specialist teaching at Schools of Law and Medicine at the Universities of Auckland, Otago and Canterbury, sharing scholarship about the evolving medico-legal environment in the US governing end of life care. Kathryn is Executive Director of the Disability Rights Legal Center, Los Angeles, and a Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Loyola Law School/Los Angeles.



Lisa Brown

Lisa Brown from Palo Alto, California will collaborate with the Health and Ageing Research Team, Massey University, to understand the effects of the major Canterbury earthquakes on the health and wellbeing of older people.

Lisa is a Professor of Clinical Psychology at the University of Palo Alto, California.



Sherry Shapiro

Sherry Shapiro from Raleigh, North Carolina will research the relationship between standpoint theory, critical and feminist pedagogies and dance as a modality for self and social understanding. She will be working with the Dance Programs at the University of Waikato and The University of Auckland. Sherry is a Professor of Dance at Meredith College in Raleigh, North Carolina.



Thomas Dever

Thomas Dever from Bethesda, Maryland will be giving lectures and seminars about cellular protein biosynthesis, hosted by Massey University.

Tom is a Senior Investigator and Section Head in the *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland.



Victor Strasburger

Dr. Victor Strasburger from New Mexico ran a series of meetings and workshops on the use of digital/electronic media and well-being in children, working in the Department of Preventive & Social Medicine at University of Otago.

Dr. Strasburger is a Distinguished Professor of Pediatrics Emeritus at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine.

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.

A small number of fellowships valued at up to NZ\$58,500 are offered each year. This year three awards were granted.



Jill Ozarski

Jill Ozarski from Denver, Colorado is researching opportunities for partnerships between natural resource agencies and the private sector, at the New Zealand Department of Conservation.

Jill was the Senior Natural Resources Advisor to U.S. Senator Mark Udall from Colorado.



Ziyad Hopkins

Ziyad Hopkins from Boston, Massachusetts is exploring the merits of expanding the current role of the youth advocate in New Zealand's youth justice section.

Ziyad is hosted by the Ministries of Social Development and Justice during his research and works in Boston as an attorney for the Youth Advocacy Division of the public defender's office in Boston.