



2008

Fulbright New Zealand

Grantees Booklet





The Fulbright Programme

The Fulbright programme of international educational exchange was an initiative of American 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 sent more than 1,400 New Zealand graduate students, artists, academics and professionals to the US and welcomed more than 1,100 Americans on exchanges here.

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 150 countries, funding around 6,000 exchanges per year for participants to study, research and teach 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 Alan MacDiarmid, Dame Marie Clay, Sir Wallace Rowling, Allen Curnow, Dame Jean Herbison, Sir Kenneth Keith, C. K. Stead, Bill Manhire, Jamie Belich, Michael King, Witi Ihimaera, David Cunliffe and many other significant 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.

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Message from the Chairperson

On behalf of the Board of Fulbright New Zealand, congratulations to all of this year's grantees!

This is a very special year for Fulbright New Zealand as 2008 marks the 60th year of the Fulbright programme in New Zealand. I am confident that this year's grantees, as with so many of our 2,500-odd alumni from the previous 59 years, will find their Fulbright exchange experience to be truly life-changing and go on to make us all extremely proud with their achievements and contributions to their home countries and the wider world.

During 2007 the Fulbright New Zealand Board and staff worked together to develop a new five-year Strategic Plan for 2008-2012 with five broad goals to:

- Increase the opportunities for educational exchange;
- Provide an outstanding Fulbright experience;
- Strengthen the Fulbright network;
- Broaden the sphere of influence; and
- Demonstrate leadership and innovation.

We believe that this new plan will strengthen our ongoing commitment to honouring Senator J. William Fulbright's vision of increasing mutual understanding between our two countries through educational exchange.

We are committed to growing the New Zealand Fulbright programme and I would like to highlight our newest award, the Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research, which was launched earlier this year in partnership with Cognition Education Research Trust (CERT) and will be presented for the first time at next year's ceremony.

We acknowledge the support of the New Zealand and American governments over the past six decades. I thank also the Ministry of Education, MoRST, EQC, Creative New Zealand and CERT for their sponsorship of additional awards, as well as the private donors and alumni who generously contribute to the programme with donations or their service on selection panels and as Fulbright Campus Advisers.

We hope that many alumni and others will join us in Auckland this November for our 60th Anniversary Conference, which will focus on "Creative Partnerships" between New Zealand and the US, celebrating the success of our programme and showcasing its many talented participants.

I wish all our new grantees the very best for your Fulbright exchange and onwards into the future.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ruth Harley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ruth" and last name "Harley" clearly distinguishable.

Ruth Harley
Chairperson of the Board, Fulbright New Zealand
Fulbright alumna, 1985

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, personal and ambassadorial qualities.

In addition to award payments towards study or research, all grantees receive return airfares, insurance cover and programme support during their stay.

International Fulbright Science and Technology Awards

These awards are for promising graduate students from around the world to undertake fully-funded PhD study at top US universities in fields of science, technology or engineering.

Approximately 40 awards with an estimated value over NZ\$350,000 are offered internationally each year to students who are nominated by their home country's Fulbright commission and selected by rigorous international competition.



Alana Alexander

Alana Alexander from Auckland will complete a PhD in Wildlife, specialising in the population genetics and evolution of sperm whales, at Oregon State University in Corvallis.

Alana graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2008.



Wynton Moore

Wynton Moore from Dunedin will complete a PhD in Physics, specialising in structure formation in the early universe, at the University of Chicago.

Wynton obtained a BSc (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2006 and is currently completing an MSc.

Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Scholarship in Entrepreneurship

This award is for a promising New Zealand graduate student to complete a Master's degree at a US university in a knowledge economy-related field, and to gain professional work experience in the US and New Zealand.

One award valued at US\$100,000 (plus travel expenses, insurance and a paid internship) is offered each year.



Fiona Miller

Fiona Miller from Hamilton will complete a Master of Business Administration degree at the University of California, Berkeley.

Fiona graduated with a BAppSc (Hons) from Massey University in 1998 and has since worked for Massey University, Livestock Improvement, AgResearch and WaikatoLink.

Fulbright-Ministry of Research, Science and Technology Graduate Awards

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

Approximately 11 awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Josephine Beck

Josephine Beck from Christchurch will research the vocal repertoire of orangutans at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Josephine graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2006 and has since worked for the University's School of Biological Sciences.



Adam Forbes

Adam Forbes from Wellington will complete a Master of Science degree in Management Science and Engineering, specialising in information science and technology, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

Adam graduated with a BAppSc (Hons) in Software Engineering from the University of Otago in 2006 and has since worked for IBM.



Lucy Hawcroft

Lucy Hawcroft from Auckland will complete a Master of Environmental Science degree in Conservation Psychology, specialising in cross-cultural differences in attitudes and responses to climate change, at the University of Oregon in Eugene.

Lucy graduated with a BA (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2007 and has since worked for Greenpeace.



Rick Henry

Rick Henry from Auckland will research seismic behaviour of precast concrete wall systems at Iowa State University in Ames, towards a PhD in Engineering from the University of Auckland.

Rick obtained a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2007.



William Kelton

William Kelton from Te Pahu will complete a PhD in Chemical Engineering, specialising in bioresponsive polymers and drug delivery techniques, at the University of Texas, Austin.

William obtained a BE (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2007 and is currently completing an MSc.



Shaun McGirr

Shaun McGirr from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Political Science, specialising in policy effects on software, infrastructure and telecommunications markets, at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Shaun graduated with a BA from the University of Canterbury in 2005 and a BA (Hons) from Victoria University of Wellington in 2008.



Josie McVitty

Josie McVitty from Palmerston North will complete a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering, specialising in the relationships between science, technology and society with regard to energy and climate change challenges, at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Josie graduated with a BE (Hons) and BA from the University of Auckland in 2008.



Rahul Mehta

Rahul Mehta from Auckland will complete a PhD in Electrical Engineering, specialising in wireless communication technology, at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Rahul graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2007 and has since worked for Kordia.



Hiren Mulchandani

Hiren Mulchandani from Auckland will complete a Master of Science degree in Materials Science and Engineering, specialising in applications of novel biomaterials, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

Hiren graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2008 and has since worked for the University's Department of Pharmacology.



Hiten Mulchandani

Hiten Mulchandani from Auckland will complete a Master of Science degree and PhD in Aeronautics and Astronautics, specialising in aircraft systems engineering, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

Hiten graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2008 and has since worked for the University's Centre for Advanced Composite Materials.



Monique Ryan

Monique Ryan from Auckland will complete a Master of Science degree in Computer Science, specialising in software design for safety critical applications, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

Monique graduated with a BE and BA from the University of Auckland in 2004 and has since worked for Fisher & Paykel Healthcare and Beca.



Damian Scarf

Damian Scarf from Dunedin will research episodic memory in non-human species at Columbia University in New York, towards a PhD in Psychology from the University of Otago.

Damian obtained an MSc from the University of Otago in 2007.



Dmitri Schebarchov

Dmitri Schebarchov from Wellington will research metal nanoparticles and their applications in nanodevices at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, towards a PhD in Physics from Victoria University of Wellington.

Dmitri obtained a BCA in 2005 and a BSc (Hons) in 2006 from Victoria University of Wellington.



Jethro van Ekeren

Jethro van Ekeren from Hamilton will complete a PhD in Mathematics, specialising in representation theory, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

Jethro obtained a BSc from the University of Waikato in 2007 and is currently completing a BSc (Hons).

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 area of natural disaster research.

One award valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) is offered each year.

However, two awards are being presented this year.



Geoff Rodgers

Geoff Rodgers from Christchurch will research damage free structural design at Texas A&M University in College Station, towards a PhD in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Canterbury.

Geoff obtained a BE (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2006.



Aaron Wilson

Aaron Wilson from Auckland will research unreinforced masonry buildings in New Zealand at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, towards a PhD in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Auckland.

Aaron obtained a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland 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.

Approximately eight awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Genevieve de Pont

Genevieve de Pont from Auckland will complete a PhD in Literature, specialising in the politics of memory as it effects literature and identity, at a yet to be confirmed US university.

Genevieve graduated with an MA from the University of Auckland in 2006 and has since worked for the University's Departments of English and History.



Luke Di Somma

Luke Di Somma from Christchurch will complete a Master of Fine Arts degree in Musical Theatre Writing, specialising in composition of musical theatre and opera, at New York University.

Luke graduated with a BMus from the University of Canterbury in 2005 and a BMus (Hons) from the New Zealand School of Music in 2007 and has since worked as a freelance musical director and composer.



Bethany Edmunds

Bethany Edmunds from Auckland will complete a Master of Arts degree in Visual Culture, specialising in costume studies and textile conservation, at New York University.

Bethany graduated with a BAA from NorthTec in 2000 and has since exhibited her korowai (woven cloaks) nationally and internationally, taught weaving in the community and mentored youth.



Olivia Kember

Olivia Kember from Auckland will complete a Master of Arts degree in Security Studies, specialising in terrorism and sub-state violence, at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.

Olivia graduated with a BA from the University of Auckland in 2001 and a BA (Hons) from the University of Sydney in 2002 and has since worked for the NZ Listener, TVNZ and the New Zealand High Commission in London.



Jessica Kerr

Jessica Kerr from Omapere will complete a Master of Laws degree specialising in the role of the judiciary at the interface between public and private law at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.

Jessica graduated with an LLB (Hons) and a BA from Victoria University of Wellington in 2006 and has since worked for the Supreme Court, Victoria University of Wellington and Crown Law.



Jono Paulin

Jono Paulin from Invercargill will complete a Master of Science degree in Clinical Exercise Physiology, specialising in rehabilitation of patients with chronic conditions, at Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts.

Jono graduated with a BPhEd (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2007 and has since worked for Creative Conditioning.



Simon Thode

Simon Thode from Auckland will complete a PhD in History, specialising in the history of science and technology, at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Simon graduated with an MA from the University of Auckland in 2007 and has since worked for the University's Department of History.



Rob Vosslander

Rob Vosslander from Christchurch will research taxation ethics at Boston University, towards a PhD in Commerce from the University of Canterbury.

Rob graduated with a BCom (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2007, having previously worked as a Chartered Accountant and primary school teacher.

Robin W. and Avril Flockton Winks Awards

This supplementary award provides a current Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student in the field of humanities and/or social sciences with further assistance towards research costs and book purchases.

One award valued at US\$1,500 is offered each year.

This year's award is granted to Bethany Edmunds.

Sir Wallace Rowling Memorial Award

This supplementary award provides a current Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student in the field of political science, international relations, journalism or international law the opportunity to undertake an internship in Washington, DC.

One award valued at US\$2,500 is offered each year.

This year's award is granted to Shaun McGirr.

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\$30,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Alyssa Borowske

Alyssa Borowske from Barre, Vermont is completing a Bachelor of Science degree (with Honours) in Biology, specialising in the effects of Australian magpies on native New Zealand bird species, at the University of Waikato.

Alyssa graduated with a BA from Cornell College in 2007.



Dorien Coray

Dorien Coray from Soldotna, Alaska is completing a Master of Science degree in Biotechnology, specialising in the implications of horizontal gene transfer, at the University of Canterbury.

Dorien graduated with a BA from Reed College in 2006.



Christina Gonzalez

Christina Gonzalez from Brooklyn, New York is completing a Certificate of Proficiency in Māori Studies, specialising in the impact of government policy on urban Māori, at Victoria University of Wellington.

Christina graduated with a BA from Fordham University in 2006.



Brian Kastl

Brian Kastl from Poulsbo, Washington is completing a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in investigation of the nature of an historical eruption of Mt Ruapehu, at the University of Auckland.

Brian graduated with a BS from Pomona College in 2007.



Amanda McRaven

Amanda McRaven from Free Union, Virginia is completing a Master of Philosophy degree in Community Theatre, specialising in the portrayal of myths in a multicultural theatre performance, at Massey University Palmerston North.

Amanda graduated with a BA from the University of Virginia in 1999 and a MFA from the University of California in 2007.



Lana Mitsina

Lana Mitsina from Pasco, Washington is researching the cellular effects of drug abuse at Victoria University of Wellington.

Lana graduated with a BS from Pacific University in 2007.



Siobhan O'Kane

Siobhan O'Kane from Ridgefield, Connecticut is completing a Master of Social Science degree in Geography, specialising in watershed management and environmental planning, at the University of Waikato.

Siobhan graduated with a BA from the University of Delaware in 2001 and an MSc from Columbia University in 2004 and subsequently worked for AKRF, Inc.



Lauren Robinson

Lauren Robinson from Wilton, Connecticut is researching the curating of Māori art by the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa at Victoria University of Wellington.

Lauren graduated with a BA from Pomona College in 2007.



Danya Rumore

Danya Rumore from Sandpoint, Idaho is completing a Postgraduate Diploma in Science in Environmental Management, specialising in environmental management and sustainability in New Zealand, at the University of Auckland.

Danya graduated with a BS from Oregon State University in 2007.



Malia Villegas

Malia Villegas from Fife, Washington is studying policy and research for improving education of indigenous peoples at the University of Auckland, towards a PhD from Harvard University.

Malia graduated with a BA from Stanford University in 2001 and obtained an EdM from Harvard University in 2005.

Fulbright Scholar Programme

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

Scholar awards range from small contributions towards short term visits to fully-funded exchanges of up to one year, including airfares, insurance cover and programme support.

Fulbright New Zealand Senior 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\$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Cameron Grant

Cameron Grant from Auckland researched the importance of nutrition to the health of children at John Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Cameron is an Associate Professor of Paediatrics at the University of Auckland.



Sarah Leberman

Sarah Leberman from Palmerston North researched the roles of women in sports leadership at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities in Minneapolis.

Sarah is a Senior Lecturer in Sport Management and Coaching at Massey University.



Susana Lei'ataua

Susana Lei'ataua from Wellington is developing a full length theatre work entitled *Breaking The Surface* and editing a Pacific Worlds Reader at New York University.

Susana is an actor and writer, and is currently Artist-in-Residence at New York University's Asian/Pacific/American Institute.



Phil Lester

Phil Lester from Wellington researched the control of imported red fire ants using pheromones at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Phil is a Senior Lecturer in Insect Ecology at Victoria University of Wellington.



Stephen May

Stephen May from Hamilton researched bilingual literacy programmes for minority school students at the University of Arizona in Tuscon and Columbia University in New York.

Stephen is Professor and Chair of Language and Literacy Education at the University of Waikato.

Fulbright Visiting Lectureships in New Zealand Studies

These awards are for New Zealand academics to teach New Zealand Studies and conduct research at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for one or two semesters.

Two lectureships - one per semester - valued at up to US\$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Jo Diamond

Jo Diamond from Christchurch taught a course in indigenous art history at Georgetown University during the University's Spring semester.

Jo is a Lecturer in Art History at the University of Canterbury.



Brian McDonnell

Brian McDonnell from Auckland will teach a course in New Zealand film and literature during Georgetown's Fall semester.

Brian is a Senior Lecturer in Media Studies at Massey University.

Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency

This award is for a New Zealand writer in any genre 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.

This year's recipient has not yet been confirmed.



Fulbright 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 papers at conferences, deliver lectures, collaborate with American colleagues or visit relevant institutions.

Eight to twelve awards valued at up to NZ\$5,000 are offered each year.



Brendon Bradley

Brendon Bradley from Christchurch presented a paper entitled *Performance-based seismic response of pile foundations* at the 4th decennial Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics Conference in Sacramento, California.

Brendon is a PhD candidate at the University of Canterbury.



Isabel Castro

Isabel Castro from Palmerston North is presenting a series of seminars on kiwi and conservation in New Zealand in San Diego, California.

Isabel is a Lecturer in Ecology at Massey University.



Chanel Clarke

Chanel Clarke from Auckland will present a paper entitled *Horiwear: the t-shirt as a vehicle for cultural expression in Aotearoa New Zealand* at the Textile Society of America's 11th biennial symposium in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Chanel is a Curator at Auckland War Memorial Museum.



Susan Cunningham

Susan Cunningham from Palmerston North will present a series of seminars on kiwi and conservation in New Zealand in San Diego, California.

Susan is a PhD candidate at Massey University.



Aroha Puketapu-Dahm

Aroha Puketapu-Dahm from Lower Hutt will take part in the *Earth & Spirit: Contemporary Indigenous Art from Australia and New Zealand* exhibition at Keene State College's Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery in Keene, New Hampshire.

Aroha is a weaver and a Senior Lecturer in Alcohol and Drug Studies at Weltec.



Des Kahotea

Des Kahotea from Tauranga presented a paper entitled *The legacy of British and American archaeology and Māori heritage* at the American Anthropological Association's 106th annual meeting in Washington, DC.

Des is a Research Associate at the University of Waikato and is currently planning, designing and directing artwork for the construction of a new wharehui at Te Whetu o Te Rangi marae.



Emily Nelson

Emily Nelson from Clive presented a paper entitled *Co-constructing early adolescence education through image-based research* at the National Middle School Association's 34th annual conference in Houston, Texas.

Emily runs her own education consultancy business - IntegratED - and is coordinator and facilitator for the Digital Daze Inquiry Learning Extending High Standards Across Schools cluster in Hawke's Bay.



John Psathas

John Psathas from Wellington undertook a three week professional and academic tour of the US.

John is a composer and an Associate Professor of Composition at the New Zealand School of Music.



Huia Tomlins-Jahnke

Huia Tomlins-Jahnke from Palmerston North presented a paper entitled *Challenges at the Tribal/State interface in the provision of indigenous social services* at the American Educational Research Association's 2008 annual meeting in New York.

Huia is an Associate Professor of Māori Education at Massey University.



Louise Tu'u

Louise Tu'u from Auckland attended a reading of her play *Le Tauvago (The Competition)* at the Indigenous World Theatre Reading Series in New York.

Louise is a playwright and a Production Assistant for Razor Films.



Graeme Wake

Graeme Wake from Auckland gave lectures on industrial and applied mathematics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge and the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

Graeme is an Adjunct Professor of Industrial Mathematics at Massey University.



Gwenda Willis

Gwenda Willis from Christchurch presented a paper entitled *The quality of community reintegration of child molesters: effects on sexual recidivism* at the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers' 26th annual treatment and research conference in San Diego, California.

Gwenda is a PhD candidate at the University of Canterbury.

Fulbright US Senior 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\$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Mark Hostetler

Mark Hostetler from Gainesville, Florida is working on a guide for conservation and promotion of biodiversity in residential developments at Landcare Research.

Mark is an Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation at the University of Florida.



Sally Kohlstedt

Sally Kohlstedt from Minneapolis, Minnesota is teaching and researching nature study education and natural history museum exchange at the University of Auckland.

Sally is a Professor of Science and Technology History at the University of Minnesota.



Charles Nuckolls

Charles Nuckolls from Provo, Utah is teaching and researching cultural construction of psychological and psychiatric diagnostic categories in New Zealand at the University of Auckland.

Charles is a Professor of Anthropology at Brigham Young University.



Reed Scherer

Reed Scherer from Elburn, Illinois researched Antarctic climate change during Pleistocene interglacial climate intervals at Victoria University of Wellington.

Reed is an Associate Professor in Geology at Northern Illinois University.



Karina Walters

Karina Walters from Lake Forest Park, Washington taught and researched indigenous health measures at the University of Auckland.

Karina is a Professor of Social Welfare at the University of Washington.

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 specialist.

Fulbright Senior 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\$8,400 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year.



Keith Barton

The University of Auckland will host Keith Barton from Cincinnati, Ohio, who will give workshops on history, social studies and citizenship education and research methodology.

Keith is a Professor of Education at the University of Cincinnati.



William Clark

Victoria University of Wellington will host William Clark from Los Angeles, California, who will collaborate on research projects exploring immigration, housing and settlement in New Zealand.

William is a Professor of Geography at the University of California.



Mary Firestone

Lincoln University hosted Mary Firestone from Berkeley, California, who shared her expertise in soil microbial ecology teaching and research with students and faculty.

Mary is a Professor of Soil Microbiology at the University of California.



James Mahshie

The University of Canterbury will host James Mahshie from Washington, DC, who will share his expertise in aural rehabilitation in a variety of academic, clinical, research and community settings.

James is a Professor of Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences at Gallaudet University.



Amjad Umar

The University of Otago hosted Amjad Umar from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who taught and assisted with the development of course material on the subjects of telecommunications and computing.

Amjad is an Adjunct Professor of Electrical and Systems Engineering at the University of Pennsylvania.

Other Awards and Fellowships

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

These include government and private fellowship programmes for public appearances, research, networking and education.

John F Kennedy Memorial Fellowships

These fellowships, offered by the John F Kennedy Memorial Trust, are for New Zealand organisations and institutions to bring eminent Americans to New Zealand for the purposes of delivering public addresses and meeting with key people in their field of expertise.

One fellowship valued at up to NZ\$30,000 is offered each year.



Joseph Stiglitz

Joseph Stiglitz from New York took part in two New Zealand International Arts Festival Writers and Readers Week events and gave a public lecture at the University of Auckland.

Joseph is a Professor of Economics, Business and International Affairs at Columbia University. He is a Fulbright alumnus, having spent a year as a research fellow at Cambridge University in England from 1969-70.

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 six months.

A small number of fellowships valued at up to NZ\$39,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year.



Kacky Andrews

Kacky Andrews from Alexandria, Virginia is researching the governance of Exclusive Economic Zones at the Ministry for the Environment.

Kacky is Program Manager and Division Chief for the Coral Reef Administration Program at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.



Penny Bishop

Penny Bishop from Morrisville, Vermont is researching teacher credentialing and the education of young adults in New Zealand at the Ministry of Education.

Penny is an Assistant Professor of Education at the University of Vermont.



Brenda Bushouse

Brenda Bushouse from Amherst, Massachusetts is researching the creation and implementation of New Zealand's 20 hours free early childhood education programme at the Ministry of Education.

Brenda is an Assistant Professor of Political Science and Public Policy at the University of Massachusetts.



Patti Grogan

Patti Grogan from Tallahassee, Florida is comparing refugee integration strategies in New Zealand and the US at the Department of Labour.

Patti is Policy and Planning Unit Supervisor for Refugee Services at the Florida Department of Children and Families.

Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice

These fellowships, offered by The Commonwealth Fund of New York, are for promising New Zealand health policy researchers and practitioners to conduct a policy-orientated research project and work with leading health policy experts in the US for up to 12 months.

One or two fellowships valued at up to US\$95,000 are offered each year.



Robin Gauld

Robin Gauld from Dunedin will conduct research into the capacity to deliver on goals for a high performing health system in the United States.

Robin is an Associate Professor of Preventive and Social Medicine at the University of Otago.

Study of the US Institutes

These institutes, offered by the US Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, are intensive six-week academic programmes for multinational groups of secondary school educators, university faculty and other related scholars with little or no experience in the US to deepen their understanding of American society, culture, politics and institutions.

Approximately eight institutes, each with 18-30 participants and focused on a particular theme or topic in American studies, are offered each year.



David Ivory

David Ivory from Christchurch is participating in an Institute for Secondary Educators at the Institute for Training and Development in Amherst, Massachusetts.

David is Head of the Social Studies Faculty at St Thomas of Canterbury College.



Kate McMillan

Kate McMillan from Wellington is participating in an Institute on American Politics and Political Thought at the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute in Amherst, Massachusetts.

Kate is a Senior Lecturer in Political Studies at Victoria University of Wellington.



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