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Harriet Fulbright (second right) pictured with Hon Chris Carter, Ambassador William McCormick and Rt Hon Helen Clark

## Harriet Fulbright visits New Zealand

Harriet Fulbright, widow of the Fulbright programme's founder Senator J. William Fulbright, visited Wellington in December to help launch Fulbright New Zealand's 60th Anniversary celebrations in 2008.

At a parliamentary reception in her honour, Mrs Fulbright spoke of the contributions, contributors and lasting value of the educational exchange programme her late husband founded in 1946.

She described how Senator Fulbright's own Rhodes Scholarship exchange convinced him in the aftermath of World War II "that if future potential leaders could follow in his footsteps, they would, when in actual leadership positions, be far more willing to exchange ideas instead of bullets."

She noted that many US congressmen of both parties had since hailed the Fulbright programme as among the most important tools of public diplomacy. "And for all its importance and widespread influence," she added, "sixty years of the Fulbright programme has cost less than three days of defense at present levels, so it is one of the best investments the country has ever made."

Mrs Fulbright commended the courage of Fulbright scholars, many of whom were in the audience. "It takes real courage to leave the comfort of familiar faces and places, to enter a world of strange ways of relating to other people, often communicating in a strange language and living in a different climate. Interacting with citizens of a foreign country can lead to misunderstandings and embarrassing situations, and yet the Fulbright scholar has worked hard for this privilege and is more than willing to put up with the difficulties."

Mrs Fulbright was welcomed at the reception by Prime Minister Helen Clark, newly-appointed Minister of

Education Chris Carter and US Ambassador to New Zealand William McCormick. She acknowledged the "climate of support and enthusiasm" for the Fulbright programme in New Zealand as it enters its sixtieth year of operation.

As part of a busy programme of events during her visit to Wellington, Mrs Fulbright joined the Fulbright New Zealand Board for an end-of-year Christmas lunch and the Board's last meeting for 2007. She also met with a variety of educational and cultural organisations including the Ministry of Education, Te Papa Tongarewa and Victoria University, and was given a guided tour of Waiwhetū Marae.

As President of the non-profit J. William & Harriet Fulbright Center, Mrs Fulbright continues to promote the late Senator J. William Fulbright's vision of world peace and nonviolent means of resolving conflicts. She travels the world regularly to speak on these topics. ➤



Mrs Fulbright joins the Fulbright New Zealand Board for Christmas lunch

## Editorial



Mele Wendt, Executive Director

## From the desk of the Executive Director

Happy New Year to you!

2008 is the 60th anniversary year of the Fulbright New Zealand programme. We look forward to celebrating this auspicious occasion in a variety of ways throughout the year. Detailed information on these activities is featured in this newsletter. Remember that activities are open to alumni of all NZ-US educational exchanges, not just our own. The conference in Auckland this November will also be open to the interested public. We sincerely hope that alumni commit to attending the Conference or the Reunion/Gala Dinner in Washington, DC. Please join us!

In November 2007 Maree Yong, our Accountant, resigned after ten years of service – the longest of all staff. She was such an experienced accountant and a loyal colleague who is sorely missed. We wish her well for the future. Her replacement is Patrick Teahan who starts in February. Patrick hails from the Wairarapa and spent the last 22 years working for Trust House Ltd, including more than three years as Chief Executive.

In December, we hosted Harriet Fulbright in Wellington for five days and the visit went wonderfully for all involved. The parliamentary reception involving Prime Minister Clark, Minister Carter and Ambassador McCormick was a success and highlighted the strong support the Fulbright programme has from both governments and the strong support Harriet has for

Fulbright New Zealand! She thoroughly enjoyed herself and we thank her very much for visiting us Down Under.

Another auspicious occasion was the launch on January 30th of the new Fulbright-CERT Scholar Award in Educational Research. A memorandum of understanding was signed between the two organisations forming the basis of our ongoing partnership in offering this award.

The Fulbright New Zealand Strategic Plan 2008-2012 was finalised in December. Shortly it will be distributed as a publication and also put on our website.

As this newsletter goes to print, we are preparing to welcome incoming American grantees and their families to New Zealand and organising their Orientation programme in February. We are preparing for the visit of John F Kennedy Memorial Fellow, Fulbright alumnus and Nobel Prize winner Joseph Stiglitz to Wellington in March. And we're planning ahead for various award selections, board meetings, trips overseas and of course a number of ways to celebrate our 60th! We look forward to seeing you sometime in 2008.

Kia ora rā, ia manuia,



## 60th Anniversary Celebrations

For sixty years the New Zealand-United States Education Foundation (Fulbright New Zealand) has facilitated the exchange of students, scholars, artists and professionals between New Zealand and the United States of America. To celebrate this achievement Fulbright New Zealand is organising a range of anniversary activities in 2008.

More information on all these activities will be distributed in the coming months and on our website. Offers of assistance are welcomed! Please email any enquiries or offers to [info@fulbright.org.nz](mailto:info@fulbright.org.nz)

**Conference in New Zealand**

Held in association with the University of Auckland from Thursday 20th to Saturday 22nd November 2008 (*please note the change of dates*), the theme of the conference is 'Creative Partnerships'. It is intended to highlight the energising and stimulating impact of intellectual exchange.

The conference will draw on outstanding presenters to show how the coming together of American and New Zealand cultural and academic traditions has enriched the life of both societies. There will be six main thematic areas – education, law and business, humanities and social sciences, sciences and health, creative arts and indigenous leadership. Some well-known keynote speakers are being invited and the conference will be accompanied by several exciting cultural events and social receptions.

Participants and alumni are invited from all NZ-US exchange programmes including Fulbright, Ian Axford, Harkness, Eisenhower programmes and the International Visitor Program. Key stakeholders/organisations and tertiary education audiences in both countries will also be invited. The conference will also be open to interested members of the public. It will be held at the new Business School at the University of Auckland.

**Group Tour for US Alumni**

For those Americans attending the conference, we are contracting New Zealand Educational Tours to run a nine day tour throughout New Zealand from Wednesday 12th to Thursday 20th November. You will visit universities in Hamilton, Palmerston North, Wellington, Dunedin and Christchurch and take in the scenery and culture of Rotorua, Taupo, Napier and Oamaru. It will provide an exciting opportunity for you to reacquire yourselves with the beauty of Aotearoa/New Zealand and the universities you were based at during your Fulbright exchange here.

Costs will vary depending on the number of participants, so early expressions of interest would be appreciated. All you will need to do is register, pay the fee and everything for your whole trip Down Under is arranged for you!

**Art Exhibition and Photographic Competition**

Alumni who are visual artists will be invited to exhibit artworks in the foyer of the Business School during the conference. Fulbright New Zealand will also run a photo competition with entries submitted prior to the conference and the winners announced on 22 November.

**US Celebration**

For those who cannot attend the Conference in New Zealand, there will be a Reunion and Gala Dinner at the Embassy of New Zealand in Washington, DC on the evening of Saturday 7th June.

## New Fulbright award for education research

Fulbright New Zealand launched a new Scholar award for education in January, in partnership with the Cognition Education Research Trust (CERT). The Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research is for a New Zealand scholar to pursue research in the US, designed to have an impact on New Zealand schooling and student achievement, for three to five months.

The new award continues a strong tradition of the Fulbright programme supporting educators and education research, which has included 33 years of teacher exchanges and more recent programmes such as the Fulbright-Hays seminars on which groups of American primary and secondary school teachers undertook an intensive study tour around New Zealand.

The award will provide a unique opportunity for people involved in the policy, research and practice of schooling in New Zealand, and is a welcome addition to the opportunities available to New Zealand scholars, particularly those in the field of education.

"The demand for our scholar awards has increased dramatically over the last several years and there are never enough awards for all the sterling applicants who deserve one," explains Mele Wendt, Executive Director of Fulbright New Zealand.

"We are most appreciative and excited about our partnership with CERT. Both organisations are confident that this award will be successful in its aims of high quality research, increased professional links between educational contacts in both countries, and an enhanced

profile and development of New Zealand education."

Cognition Education Research Trust is an independent organisation which aims to foster and encourage, promote and disseminate quality education research with a view to improving and developing the quality of teaching and learning in New Zealand schools. Its activities include providing grants to individuals completing postgraduate education programmes and also to groups of researchers, practitioners and policy makers.

Fulbright alumna Anne Meade, a consultant to Cognition Consulting, was instrumental in setting up the new award. A Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar in 1999, she undertook research into neurological development and children's thinking at several US institutions including the Families and Work Institute in New York and the University of Illinois. She is pleased to see a new opportunity for education research.

"Fulbright awards for educational research benefit countless students in New Zealand, as well as the recipient," says Dr Meade. "I still use the knowledge I gained in the US in my teaching and writing almost every week. I keep tabs on US research programmes, which keeps me current in early childhood research overseas." ➤

Applications for the inaugural Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research close on 1 May 2008. For more information about the award and how to apply, visit the Fulbright New Zealand website - [www.fulbright.org.nz](http://www.fulbright.org.nz)

## Fulbright News



Fulbright New Zealand Chair **Ruth Harley** and Cognition Education Research Trust Chair **Stewart Germann** sign an agreement establishing the new award

## Nobel Laureate visits as Kennedy Fellow

Nobel Prize-winning American economist Joseph Stiglitz will visit New Zealand next month as a John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow to take part in the New Zealand International Arts Festival's Writers and Readers Week.

One of the world's leading public intellectuals, Joseph Stiglitz is currently Professor of Economics, Business and International Affairs at Columbia University. He also serves as President of the Initiative for Policy Dialogue, which he founded in 2000 to help developing countries explore policy alternatives and to enable wider civic participation in economic policymaking, and is Chair of the Columbia Committee on Global Thought.

A Fulbright alumnus, Professor Stiglitz was a research fellow at Cambridge University from 1969-70, having graduated with a PhD in Economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He held professorships at numerous leading American and British institutions before taking on policy roles in the 1990s. A member and then Chairman of President Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers, he later became Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of the World Bank. Joseph Stiglitz shared the 2001 Nobel Prize in Economics with George Akerlof and Michael Spence for their analyses of markets with asymmetric information.

Professor Stiglitz writes on a diverse range of topics including intellectual property rights, the environment, trade, debt and natural resources. Perhaps best known as a keen observer and critic of globalisation, his books include the acclaimed *Globalization and Its Discontents*

(2002) and its companion volume *Making Globalization Work* (2006), which together offer both a critique of globalisation and a way forward.

A long-time critic of the Iraq war, Stiglitz's newest book, *The Three Trillion Dollar War - the True Cost of the Iraq Conflict*, will be published by W. W. Norton & Company in March. Co-written with Professor Linda Bilmes from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, the book explores the true global cost of the war and measures what the US taxpayer's money would have produced if instead it had been invested in the further growth of the American economy.

Joseph Stiglitz will participate in two Writers and Readers Week events - *An Hour with Joseph Stiglitz* on March 14th, and discussing *The Costs of Iraq* alongside cartoonist Garry Trudeau, novelist and journalist James Meek and theatre director Nigel Jamieson on March 15th. He will also give a public lecture at the University of Auckland Business School on March 18th.

He is the sixteenth eminent American speaker brought to New Zealand as a John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellow, under a fellowship programme established by the New Zealand government in 1963 with public donations intended to honour the late US President. The Kennedy Fellowships have been administered by Fulbright New Zealand since 1973. ➤

For further information about Joseph Stiglitz's Writers and Readers Week appearances, or to make bookings, visit [www.nzfestival.co.nz](http://www.nzfestival.co.nz)

## Kennedy News



Joseph Stiglitz

## Axford News

## Ian Axford Fellowships Forum

The second Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy Forum in the United States was held on 7 September 2007 at the Embassy of New Zealand in Washington, DC.

The Forum was opened by the Chargé D'Affaires from the Embassy of New Zealand, Ian Hill. Ian summarised the benefits of the Ian Axford Fellowships to both countries. Mike Woods, Education Counsellor at the Embassy, introduced the speakers and encouraged Americans to consider applying for an Ian Axford Fellowship.

The three Ian Axford Fellows from 2006, Susan Coppedge, Saskia Kim and Linda Blumberg, presented their report findings. John O'Brien (2005 Ian Axford

Fellow) provided a wrap-up to the day. He drew comparisons across the three presentations, noting that the US had much to learn from examining recent policy development in New Zealand. John was host of the first Ian Axford Forum held in Baltimore, Maryland in January 2006.

The Forum was attended by 55 people. It ended with a New Zealand-style barbeque on the patio at the Embassy. The next forum is planned for June 2008. ►

Applications for the 2009 Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy close on 1 March 2008. For more information about the fellowships and how to apply, visit the Fulbright New Zealand website - [www.fulbright.org.nz](http://www.fulbright.org.nz)

## Fulbright News

## New Zealand government delegation to the US

In October, Fulbright New Zealand's Executive Director Mele Wendt travelled to the US as part of an official New Zealand government delegation led by Hon Steve Maharey, Minister of Research, Science and Technology (MoRST) and Education. The invitation came through Helen Anderson, Fulbright alumna and Chief Executive of MoRST, which sponsors the Fulbright-MoRST Graduate Awards.

The trip included visits to Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston and a range of organisations in Washington, DC including the US State Department, New Zealand Embassy, National Science Foundation, National Academies, American Association for the Advancement of Science and meetings with a range of people in these portfolio areas. Fulbright New Zealand extends its appreciation to the Minister and to MoRST for being included. ►



*The New Zealand government delegation visit the MIT campus in Boston*

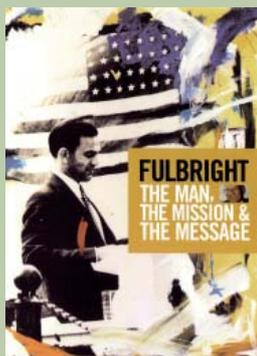
## Fulbright Advisers on New Zealand campuses

Fulbright New Zealand recently implemented a programme whereby there is a "Fulbright Adviser" on every major university campus in New Zealand. The programme's main aim is to ensure that outstanding New Zealand students and faculty are fully informed about the opportunities our exchange programmes have to offer. Key tasks include promoting the Fulbright awards, responding to general enquiries and providing basic information on their campus.

The advisers are selected Fulbright alumni who teach on university campuses. They include Penny Brothers and Tracey McIntosh at the University of Auckland,

James Charlton at AUT University, Adam Claasen at Massey University Albany, Kevin Broughan at the University of Waikato, Hine Waitere at Massey University Palmerston North, Art Pomeroy and Joanna Mossop at Victoria University of Wellington, Clemency Montelle at the University of Canterbury, Jon Sullivan at Lincoln University and Hamish Spencer at the University of Otago.

Advisers underwent an induction programme at Fulbright New Zealand in November 2007. We aim to extend this programme to all major tertiary institutions in New Zealand in the future. ►



## Fulbright: The Man, The Mission &amp; The Message DVD

This hour long film, produced by the J. William and Harriet Fulbright Center, documents the life and career of the Fulbright exchange programme's founder Senator J. William Fulbright in his own words and through the reflections of his colleagues.

Produced by Emmy Award-winning director Drew Perkins and narrated by distinguished foreign correspondent Garrick Utey, the documentary chronicles Senator Fulbright's early years in Arkansas and his thirty-two years of service in the United States Congress. It highlights his role in the founding of the United Nations, his opposition to the McCarthy investigations, and his questioning of American policy in the Vietnam War.

The film is now available to purchase on DVD. Copies can be ordered for \$30 from Fulbright New Zealand (New Zealand orders only), or direct from the J. William and Harriet Fulbright Center - [www.jwhfulbright.org](http://www.jwhfulbright.org)

## Grantee and Alumni News

Fulbright alumna **Rebekah Fuller** (2006 Fulbright-MoRST Graduate Award) was awarded one of sixteen Te Tipu Pūtaiao Fellowships by the Foundation for Research, Science and Technology in October, to continue her PhD research into the links between indigenous peoples' knowledge of fungi and science at the University of Hawai'i. The fellowship is valued at up to \$107,500 over three years.

Harkness alumnus **Professor Ken McNatty** (1977 Harkness Fellowship) was named as one of four 2007 recipients of the Royal Society of New Zealand's prestigious James Cook Fellowships in November. The fellowships, which support two years of research, are awarded to forward-thinking researchers who will make a significant contribution to New Zealand's knowledge base. A Professor of Physiology at Victoria University of Wellington, Ken will research environmental and nutritional influences on reproductive health. Also in November, Fulbright alumnus **Professor Michael Saunders** (1967 NZ Graduate Student) from Stanford University was elected as an Honorary Fellow of the Academy of the Royal Society of New Zealand, which provides expert advice, promotes scientific best practice and disseminates scientific information.

Harkness alumnus **Professor Richard Faull** (1975 Harkness Fellowship) was awarded New Zealand's top science honour, the 2007 Rutherford Medal, in November, in recognition of his groundbreaking research into neurodegenerative diseases. You can read more about Richard and his research on Page 9 of this newsletter.

Fulbright alumnus **Damien Wilkins** (1990 NZ Graduate Student) was awarded New Zealand's most valuable international writer's residency package, the Katherine Mansfield Memorial Fellowship and inaugural \$100,000 New Zealand Post Mansfield Prize, in November. The fellowship enables a New Zealand author to work at the Villa Isola Bella in Menton, where Katherine Mansfield lived and wrote in the 1920s while recovering from tuberculosis. A Senior Lecturer at Victoria University of Wellington's International Institute of Modern Letters, Damien joins a number of Fulbright alumni who have previously held the same fellowship.

Fulbright alumna **Ngahua Te Awekotuku** (2004 Travel Award) has published a new book, *Mau Moko*, about the Māori art of facial or body tattoo. Published by Penguin in December, the book offers a cultural history of moko from pre-European times to the present day.

Several Fulbright and related alumni were recognised in the Queen's New Year Honours 2008. Fulbright alumnus **Professor Gary Hawke** (1990 NZ Senior Scholar) was appointed as a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to education and economics. Fulbright alumna **Judith Fyfe** (1987 NZ Cultural Development Grant) was appointed as an Officer of the same Order for services to oral history and journalism, and Eisenhower alumna **Bev Adlam** (1990 Eisenhower Fellowship) was appointed as a Member of the Order for services to business.

Fulbright alumna **Dr Sarah-Jane Paine** (2007 Travel Award) from Massey University's Sleep/Wake Research Centre was awarded the Health Research Council of New Zealand's Eru Pomare Research Fellowship in Māori Health in January. One of eleven Māori Health Research Career Development Awards made for the 2007 year, Sarah-Jane's postdoctoral fellowship provides \$463,000 in funding towards her ongoing research into advancing sleep health in New Zealand. ➤

## In Memoriam

Fulbright alumnus **Dr Jim Hood** (1982 NZ Research Scholar) passed away in November. Jim received his Fulbright award midway through a 40 year career at the University of Otago, to lecture and undertake research in dental materials at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Jim taught more than 2,000 dentistry students at the University of Otago, and served as Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry for fourteen years until his retirement in 2006. He was acknowledged internationally for his research, which he published and presented widely. Jim is survived by his wife Lynley (herself a Fulbright alumna) and three children. ➤

We are also saddened by the recent passing of the following alumni:

**David Menzies**, 1956 New Zealand Graduate Student  
**Owen Boscawen**, 1966 New Zealand Exchange Teacher

## In Brief



above: **Sarah-Jane Paine**, 2007  
below: **Jim Hood**, pictured with his wife Lynley at a 2007 Fulbright alumni function in Dunedin



## Important Dates

### March

- 1 Fulbright Travel Awards applications due
- Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards applications due
- Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy applications due

### April

- 1 Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writers' Residency applications due

### May

- 1 International Fulbright Science and Technology Awards applications due
- Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research applications due

### November

- 20 Fulbright New Zealand 60th Anniversary Conference - 'Creative Partnerships'
- Highlighting the energising and stimulating impact of intellectual exchange, this conference will draw on outstanding presenters to show how the coming together of American and New Zealand cultural and academic traditions has enriched the life of both societies. Case studies will be drawn from such areas as business, creative arts, education, health, the humanities, law and sciences. Some well-known keynote speakers are being invited and the conference will be accompanied by several exciting cultural events and social receptions, with travel options for international visitors. Mark your diaries! 20-22 November, University of Auckland

See [www.fulbright.org.nz](http://www.fulbright.org.nz) or contact the Fulbright New Zealand office for more details

## Awarded

### Fulbright Travel Awards

**Brendon Bradley** from the University of Canterbury will present a paper on *Performance-based seismic response of pile foundations* at the 4th decennial Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics Conference in Sacramento, California.

**Huia Tomlins-Jahnke** (see Departures)

**John Psathas** (see Departures)

**Damian Skinner** from Gisborne will give lectures on Māori art at the University of Oregon in Eugene, the Museum at Warm Springs Indian Reservation in Warm Spring, Oregon and the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

### Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards

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

The University of Otago will host **Amjad Umar** (see Arrivals)

### Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice

**Robin Gauld** from the University of Otago will conduct research into the capacity to deliver on goals for a high performing health system in the United States. ➤

and cultivation of Māori identity through television and video, and study Māori language at the University of Auckland. April arrives in March.

### Fulbright US Senior Scholar Awards

**Mark Hostetler** from the University of Florida will work on a guide for conservation and promotion of biodiversity in residential developments at Landcare Research. Mark arrived in August.

**Sally Kohlstedt** from the University of Minnesota will teach and research nature study education and natural history museum exchange at the University of Auckland. Sally arrives in February.

**Charles Nuckolls** from the University of Alabama will teach and research cultural construction of psychological and psychiatric diagnostic categories in New Zealand at the University of Auckland. Charles arrives in February.

**Reed Scherer** from Northern Illinois University will research Antarctic climate change during Pleistocene interglacial climate intervals at Victoria University of Wellington. Reed arrived in January.

**Karina Walters** from the University of Washington will teach and research indigenous health measures at the University of Auckland. Karina arrives in February.

### Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards

The University of Otago will host **Amjad Umar** from the University of Pennsylvania, who will teach and assist with the development of course material on the subjects of telecommunications and computing. Amjad arrives in March.

### Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy

**Kacky Andrews** from the Coastal States Organization will compare the use of marine protected areas in New Zealand and the US at the Ministry for the Environment. Kacky arrives in February.

**Penny Bishop** from the University of Vermont will research middle schooling reform policy in New Zealand at the Ministry of Education. Penny arrives in February.

**Brenda Bushouse** from the University of Massachusetts will research the creation and implementation of New Zealand's 20 hours free early childhood education programme at the Ministry of Education. Kacky arrives in February.

**Patti Grogan** from the Florida Department of Children and Families will compare refugee integration strategies in New Zealand and the US at the Department of Labour. Patti arrives in February. ➤

## Departures:

### Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Awards

**Phil Lester** from Victoria University of Wellington will investigate the control of red imported fire ants using pheromones at Texas A&M University in College Station. Phil departs in February.

### Fulbright Travel Awards

**Huia Tomlins-Jahnke** from Massey University will present a paper on *Challenges at the Tribal/State interface in the provision of indigenous social services* at the 2008 American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting in New York. Huia departs in February.

**John Psathas** from the New Zealand School of Music will undertake a three week professional and academic tour of the US. John departs in April. ➤

## Arrivals and Departures

### Arrivals:

#### Fulbright US Graduate Awards

**Alyssa Borowske** from Barre, Vermont will complete a Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Biology, specialising in the effects of Australian magpies on native New Zealand bird species, at the University of Waikato. Alyssa arrives in February.

**Dorien Coray** from Soldotna, Alaska will complete a Master of Science degree in Biotechnology, specialising in the implications of horizontal gene transfer, at the University of Canterbury. Dorien arrives in February.

**Christina Gonzalez** from Brooklyn, New York will complete a Graduate Diploma in Arts in Political Science, specialising in the impact of government policy on urban Māori, at Victoria University of Wellington. Christina arrives in February.

**Brian Kastl** from Poulsbo, Washington will complete a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in triggering mechanisms of an ancient eruption of Mt Tongariro, at the University of Auckland. Brian arrives in February.

**Amanda McCraven** from Free Union, Virginia will complete a Master of Philosophy degree in Community Theatre, specialising in the portrayal of myths in a multicultural theatre performance, at Massey University. Amanda arrives in February.

**Sviatlana Mitsina** from Pasco, Washington will research the cellular effects of drug abuse at Victoria University of Wellington. Sviatlana arrives in February.

**Siobhan O'Kane** from Ridgefield, Connecticut will complete a Master of Social Science degree in Geography, specialising in comparison of watershed management in New Zealand and the US, at the University of Waikato. Siobhan arrived in January.

**Lauren Robinson** from Wilton, Connecticut will research the curating of Māori art by the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, at Victoria University of Wellington. Lauren arrives in February.

**Danya Rumore** from Sandpoint, Idaho will complete a Postgraduate Diploma in Science in Environmental Management, specialising in environmental management and sustainability in New Zealand, at the University of Auckland. Danya arrives in February.

**Malia Villegas** from Fife, Washington will study policy and research for improving education of indigenous peoples, towards a PhD from Harvard University, at the University of Auckland. Malia arrived in January.

### Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program

**April Strickland** from Grants Pass, Oregon will research the preservation

## Current Grantees

### International Fulbright Science and Technology Awards

**Irene Ballagh** from Dunedin is completing a PhD in Neuroscience, specialising in the role of synaptic plasticity in learning and memory, at Columbia University in New York.

### Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Scholarship in Entrepreneurship

**Priv Bradoo** from Auckland is completing a Master of Business Administration degree at Harvard Business School in Boston.

**Alex Dunayev** from Auckland is completing a Master of Business Administration degree at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

### Fulbright-Ministry of Research, Science and Technology Graduate Awards

**Tom Algie** from Auckland is researching geotechnical earthquake engineering at the University of California, Davis towards a PhD in Engineering from the University of Auckland.

**Richard Conroy** from Hamilton is researching image sensor technology for 3D imaging at Canesta Inc in Sunnyvale, California towards a PhD in Engineering from the University of Waikato.

**Simon Consedine** from Wellington is completing a Master of Laws degree specialising in energy law at Columbia University in New York.

**Ulric Ferner** from Auckland is completing a Master of Science degree and PhD in Engineering, specialising in information systems and wireless communications, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

**Shane Geange** from Hawera is researching interactions in reef fish communities at the University of Florida in Gainesville, towards a PhD in Marine Ecology from Victoria University of Wellington.

**Phillip Hall** from Dunedin is completing a PhD in Psychology, specialising in neuroeconomics, at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

**Ryan Higgs** from Hamilton is completing a Master of Science degree in Animal Science, specialising in dairy production and nutrition, at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.

**Kyle Lin** from Auckland is completing a Master of Science degree in Engineering, specialising in financial engineering and risk management, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

**Ross McGurk** from Christchurch is researching the application of Monte Carlo techniques to optimise radiation beam therapy at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

**Toni Moyes** from Tauranga is completing a Master of Laws degree specialising in energy policy and law at New York University.

**Kenji Sumida** from Rotorua is completing a PhD in Chemistry, specialising in inorganic and physical chemistry, at the University of California, Berkeley.

**Brian Walters** from Wellington is completing a Master of Science degree in Financial Mathematics, specialising in computational finance, at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

**Mark Wheldon** from Christchurch is completing a PhD in Statistics, specialising in statistical genetics, at the University of Washington in Seattle.

**Andy Wood** from Auckland is researching new treatments for neuroblastoma at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

### Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

**Charlotte Brown** from Hamilton is completing a Master of Laws degree specialising in human rights and media law at Columbia University in New York.

**Sarah Hill** from Wellington is completing a PhD in Public Health, specialising in social epidemiology, at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts.

**Chye-Ching Huang** from Auckland is completing a Master of Laws degree specialising in constitutional law and economic regulation at Columbia University in New York.

**Rachel Liebert** from Auckland is completing a PhD in Social Welfare, specialising in critical mental health, at Stony Brook University in Stony Brook, New York.

**Leigh Parker** from Palmerston North is completing a Master of Design degree at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

**Ben Steele** from Wellington is completing a Master of Arts degree in Anthropology, specialising in indigenous rights and treaty issues, at Columbia University in New York.

**Saeeda Verrall** from Te Anau is completing a Master of Laws degree specialising in public interest law at Harvard University in Cambridge,

Massachusetts.

**Georgina White** from Wellington is completing a Master of Arts degree in Museum Studies at New York University.

### Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Awards

**Cameron Grant** from the University of Auckland is researching the importance of nutrition to the health of children at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

**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.

**Stephen May** from the University of Waikato is researching successful bilingual literacy programmes for minority school students at the University of Arizona in Tucson and Columbia University in New York.

### Fulbright Visiting Lectureships in New Zealand Studies

**Jo Diamond** from the University of Canterbury is teaching a course in indigenous art history at Georgetown University for their Spring semester.

### Fulbright New Century Scholars Programme

**Stuart Middleton** from Manukau Institute of Technology is participating in a programme on the theme of *Higher Education in the 21st Century: Access and Equity*.

### Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program

**Oneroa Stewart** from Tauranga is assisting research and teaching in education, language, cultural and social sciences at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, Georgia. ➤



above: Newly-arrived Fulbright US Senior Scholar **Reed Scherer**, pictured during a past visit to Antarctica

below: Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student **Sarah Hill** visiting Capitol Hill in Washington, DC



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## Grantee Voice



Amy Fowler

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## An extended stay in Aotearoa

Amy Fowler from Memphis, Tennessee was a 2007 Fulbright US Graduate Student who completed a Master of Science degree in Marine Science at the University of Auckland. While most of her fellow grantees recently returned to the US, Amy will extend her stay in New Zealand by another two years thanks to a special supplementary University of Auckland Fulbright Scholarship.

The receding tide sparkles as the noon day sun shines over the mudflat. Carrying my crab traps, buckets and bait, I manoeuvre through the mangroves, walking quickly to avoid sinking into the anoxic mud. Pulling in the crab traps set the day before, I wave to the local sailors and pleasantries are yelled as they make their way down the estuary. Always the same question: "How many did ya' get today, Amy?" A quick look into the traps shows a good number: eleven.

Highly aggressive, *Charybdis japonica* throws up its chelae (claws) at this sudden invasion of privacy and scuttles around the trap, trying to find the best vantage point to nip my fingers. Opening the trap I find not only *C. japonica* but cushion stars, hermit crabs, a couple species of molluscs and juvenile fish. Having being pinched a couple of times in the past, I press *C. japonica*'s chelae together, hold them firmly next to the carapace (shell) and place them in buckets for the journey home.

Walking back to the car, I am approached by a couple of onlookers and I smile because this is one of my favourite parts of my studies. I have found New Zealanders a very inquisitive people, not at all judgemental, just curious about the world around them. Not afraid to ask questions, they seem to relish the information about my project and are constantly making me question myself and my studies in a productive way.

Although this is a small snapshot of my Fulbright experience, this is one of the most important ones to me. My Fulbright project revolves around a species of invasive paddle crab, *Charybdis japonica*, originally from Japan and now found in the Waitemata Harbour and surrounding estuaries in Auckland. Although first discovered in the Waitemata in 2000, no research has been conducted on how this species is interacting with native organisms or its reproductive patterns in this new environment. Over the past year, I have demonstrated that *C. japonica* consumes native bivalves and mud crabs in aquarium assays. A single crab can eat up to 37 juvenile bivalves in a 24-hour period. This has important implications for some economically and recreationally important species of bivalves as well as other key estuarine species.

Although my Fulbright grant ended at the end of November, my stay in New Zealand has been extended because of my love for the country, its people and my studies. Thanks to a University of Auckland Fulbright Scholarship, I am staying in New Zealand to complete a PhD program in Marine Science, continuing to study the existing impacts of *C. japonica* and indicate what impacts may become evident as the invasion progresses.

Unlike other Fulbright grantees, I have made my home in the rural area of Leigh, an hour north of Auckland. With the ocean on the doorstep of this small town, my life revolves around the sea and connected community. Constantly diving and boating, my friends and I fish and

gather kina (sea urchins) and crayfish. I have become involved in the local men's footy (soccer) team and our laboratory has a competing touch rugby team.

In April, I will complete the 100km in 36 hours Oxfam Trailwalker event with members of the laboratory to raise money for international aid relief. Any sponsors are welcomed - please get in touch! Because I hope to instruct at the college level, I also assist in teaching undergraduate courses for Auckland University and visiting study abroad groups. In my nonexistent spare time, I have been learning Spanish and classical guitar as well as trying my hand at conquering New Zealand recipes. Although I eat, breathe and sleep invasive crustaceans while at the Leigh Marine Laboratory, I have been able to take time away from the crabs to do some travelling through New Zealand with friends and family.

There is no way to adequately explain how this Fulbright year has affected my life or try to show through words what only my eyes have seen. I have experienced moments I never thought I would (sand surfing, camping in a snow storm at the base of Mt. Cook, kayaking with seals, preparing a hangi, swimming with dolphins, walking the 50km Tongariro Northern Circuit, bathing in natural hot springs and docking lambs) and made life-long friendships with people from around the world. There are still moments when I have to ask myself if I am dreaming, if what I am seeing and experiencing is really there.

I have been incredibly lucky to have been given this opportunity to experience a whole different culture and environment here in New Zealand. I can only hope I have touched as many lives in such a way that I have been touched while living and travelling through this amazing land. Here's to several more years of learning, not only about crabs but New Zealand and its people as well. ➤



Amy Fowler on a summer excursion to Lake Waikaremoana (above) and camped on Mt Cook over winter (below)



## The marvel of the human brain

Professor Richard Faull was awarded a Harkness Fellowship in 1975 to undertake postdoctoral research on the brain with leading neuroscientists in the US. In the 30 years since his return to the University of Auckland, where he is now Professor of Anatomy, Richard has established an international reputation for his studies on human brain diseases. In November 2007 he was awarded New Zealand's top science award, the Rutherford Medal, by the Royal Society of New Zealand for his innovative research studies on the human brain. He also serves as Chair of the New Zealand Harkness Fellowships Trust Board.

I first saw the human brain when I was a third year medical student at the University of Otago. I was immediately captivated by its beauty and endless complexity and decided to interrupt my medical studies to pursue a year's research on the brain. I spent the year studying the intricacies of the basal ganglia in the rat brain, the region involved in the control of movement and affected by Parkinson's disease in the human brain. That was one of the most exciting years of my life – I published seven papers, found a new pathway in the brain and presented my findings at an international conference. That year shaped the whole of my future career in medicine. I was captivated by the challenges of the brain and was in awe of just how the billions of brain cells worked together in the most complex and marvellous way to give each of us our own special behavioural profile and abilities that make us all unique and special people.

After completing my medical degree and spending a brief time in neurosurgery, I realized that if we were to provide innovative treatments for people with brain diseases we needed to advance our understanding of just how the normal human brain worked and how it was affected in diseases. I completed a PhD on the motor systems of the rat brain at Auckland University and was fortunate to be awarded a Harkness Fellowship to undertake three years of postdoctoral research studies in the USA, learning the very latest techniques for tracing the circuits in the rat brain from two leading neuroscientists, Dr William Mehler at NASA Ames Research Center and Professor Walle Nauta at MIT. The knowledge gained and the colleagues I worked with during my Harkness Fellowship played a critical role in the future development and direction of my research career on the brain. It set me up for a life of excitement and challenges and I am still undertaking collaborative research studies with my US colleagues.

I returned to Auckland University in 1978 and established my own small research laboratory on the brain, studying the anatomy and chemistry of the cerebral cortex and basal ganglia in the rat brain, the regions of the brain affected in Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, epilepsy and stroke. Soon after I was approached by Professor Arthur Veale, New Zealand's leading geneticist, who looked after families with the tragic genetically inherited brain disease, Huntington's disease (HD). Because there was no definitive gene test for the disease at that time and the clinical diagnosis was not always easy, he asked if I would be willing at the request of families to undertake pathological studies on the brains of their loved ones after death, to determine whether or not they actually did die of Huntington's disease and thus whether the HD gene was in the family. This provided a unique opportunity to work with families affected

by brain diseases in New Zealand and so began my studies on the human brain. The families were not only eternally grateful to get an accurate diagnosis and, in some cases, to learn that they didn't have the gene, but were also enthusiastic advocates and supporters of us undertaking post-mortem research studies on the brains of their loved ones.

I was invited to present research update lectures at annual HD meetings throughout New Zealand, kept the families informed of recent research developments and advances in treatment, and assisted in providing ongoing support with clinicians and health professionals. Through this active interaction with the community, families and clinicians, our research studies on the human brain have been extended to include other neurodegenerative diseases including Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Motor Neuron Disease and epilepsy. Families and patients affected by these tragic brain diseases become so committed to advancing research on the diseases that they enrol in our donor programme, and close to the time of death the family contact us to ensure all arrangements are in place for us to receive the brain as soon as possible after death to ensure that it is of maximal use for research studies.

So over a period of more than 25 years, with close consultation and committed support from families who bequeath the most precious and special gift to science, the brain of their loved one, we have established an internationally recognized human brain bank which provides tissue for leading brain researchers both in New Zealand and overseas. Our research group at the University of Auckland has grown to over 15 research staff and 25 masters and PhD students. We have published over 100 research papers in international research journals detailing new and innovative findings on the pathology, genetics, chemistry, cell death and repair of the human brain in these tragic brain diseases, which will provide new treatment opportunities.

Most recently and unexpectedly, over the last five years our human brain studies have shown for the very first time that, contrary to well established dogma, the adult human brain has the potential to repair itself – it can make new brain cells throughout life and contains a special neurogenesis "motorway" for these new brain cells to travel to different regions of the brain and replace lost brain cells. These findings were published in *Science* in 2007 and provide new and exciting research opportunities for the development of new treatment strategies to promote brain cell repair and help patients suffering from brain diseases. ➤



Richard Faull amongst his research subjects

## Alumni Voice



Richard Faull

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## Reminiscence

## Rochester remembered



Michael Martin-Smith, 1951

**Michael Martin-Smith was a 1951 Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student at the University of Rochester, as part of the third ever cohort of New Zealand Fulbrighters to the US. Now retired to the UK, he still has fond memories of his exchange experience almost sixty years ago.**

My Fulbright experiences began on August 16th 1951 when, full of the optimism of youth and with high hopes of contributing to a better world in the aftermath of World War II, I sailed with five other Fulbrighters from Wellington to Panama on the Ruahine. On our subsequent flight from Panama to Miami the aerial views of islands set in the sparkling Caribbean Sea were breath-taking. In Miami the temperature was in the thirties centigrade and entry into our hotel provided my first encounter with air conditioning. It seemed like stepping into a refrigerator, whilst going out into the street again, with my glasses steaming up, was like entering an oven.

Those of us who were proceeding to universities in the north-eastern states travelled to Washington DC by Greyhound bus, finding that Tannoy public address systems did nothing to help us understand the accents of the American south. At the beginning of each stage of the journey we had to speak directly to the drivers to ensure that we were catching the right bus.

In DC we decided to phone up Senator Fulbright's office and thank him for his sponsoring the act that made our presence in the US possible. His secretary asked us to wait whilst she conveyed our appreciation to the Senator. When she came back on the line she said that he wished to receive us at his office that afternoon and that he was dropping his other appointments to make this possible, so we all trooped over to Capitol Hill to thank Senator Fulbright in person. There we learned that we were the first Fulbright students that he had met and the first to think to express their thanks to him. After our audience, his office laid on a party that evening and we had our first experience of escorting a "date" home, which was somewhat of an undertaking as we hadn't the faintest idea of the geography or transport system of the US capital!

The whole of my time in Rochester was most pleasurable and productive. There was a very close relationship between "Town" and "Gown". There was an extremely active women's group who took foreign students under their wing and organised picnics and day trips throughout the area. I was made an honorary

member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity by undergrads to whom I was demonstrating in their chemistry labs and this gave me a full social life.

As I first settled in, I quickly became bilingual and learned not to ask the Chemistry Department secretary for a rubber when I had occasion to erase something I had written, not to invite a girl for a knock-up at tennis, nor, in apologising for a late appearance at an appointment, to say to those awaiting my arrival that I hoped they didn't think that I had come to a sticky end.

Canoeing became a favoured leisure time pursuit and on one occasion it had an unexpected consequence. Despite my considerable experience on Auckland harbour as a boy, I managed to can out into the river wearing my non-waterproof wristwatch. I rushed downtown to a watch repairer who said he could sort it out. He then remarked on my accent and when I told him I was a Kiwi, his face lit up. During the war, as a schoolboy, I had witnessed the transit of a great number of American servicemen through Auckland but up to that time had met nobody in Rochester who had been in New Zealand. When I came to pay, the watchmaker refused to accept anything. He said that he had been badly shot up on Guadalcanal and invalided out to New Zealand where people had been extremely good to him, and now it was his time to reciprocate.

As a foreign student, I was offered numerous speaking engagements, participated in a number of radio programmes and appeared on television several times. TV was, of course, a great new experience for me, New Zealand at that time being an undeveloped country with respect to the invention of John Logie Baird.

While based in Rochester, I managed to visit 47 of the then 48 states. I thus had a broad exposure to many different aspects of life in the USA and I made many close friends. I always found the Americans to be friendly, generous, interesting and interested, but the existence of an underbelly of severely underprivileged people was always evident.

On the professional side I gained invaluable experience, which stood me in very good stead in both my university teaching and research and in my work in the pharmaceutical industry. I had the good fortune to be intimately involved in all the stages from discovery to market of the multi-billion dollar product – the anti-ulcer drug, Zantac® (ranitidine hydrochloride). In work and play, it has all been fun! ➤



### We want you! ...to share your Fulbright reminiscences.

To celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Fulbright New Zealand this year, we invite all alumni to share memories and mementos of their participation in the Fulbright programme. Please feel free to send in a written recollection of your exchange experience, along with photos and any other special mementos of your time abroad.

We aim to produce a memorial booklet for publication in November, and selected memoirs will also be published in our Fulbright Quarterly newsletter and on the Fulbright New Zealand website. Written submissions should be around 1000 words in length, although longer submissions are welcome (subject to editing for publication). Photographs can be submitted either digitally or as prints.

Please contact [andy@fulbright.org.nz](mailto:andy@fulbright.org.nz) for further guidelines or assistance. We look forward to receiving your submissions.

# Event and grantee photographs

## In Pictures



Long serving Fulbright New Zealand Accountant **Maree Yong** receives a farewell gift from her fellow staff



Fulbright New Zealand's Executive Director **Mele Wendt** (right) with Secretary of Education **Karen Sewell** on a New Zealand government delegation visit to the US



**Suzanne Snively** receives a certificate of appreciation from **Ambassador McCormick** on behalf of the US government, in recognition of her seven years of service as Chair of Fulbright New Zealand



2007 Fulbright US Graduate Students, Fulbright staff and Board members join US Ambassador **William McCormick** and his wife **Gail** for Thanksgiving dinner



Fulbright New Zealand Board member **Roy Glover** and Programme Manager **Kara Wood** examine a sugar skull made by US Graduate Student **Willie Franco**, during an end-of-year report back session for American grantees



Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program participant **Torica Webb** reports on her stay in New Zealand



**Harriet Fulbright** addresses the parliamentary reception held in her honour in December



**Mrs Fulbright** talks with recently returned Fulbright alumna **Lucila van Dam** at the parliamentary reception



Fulbright New Zealand Board member **Charles Royal** speaks with **Mrs Fulbright** during a guided tour of Waiwhetū Marae



Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student **Charlotte Brown** meets Santa Claus on the streets of New York



Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student **Chye-Ching Huang** celebrates New Year's Eve in Times Square



Fulbright New Zealand Graduate Student **Toni Moyes** with United Nations Secretary General **Ban Ki-moon** at a climate change conference in New York

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#### Fulbright Travel Awards

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. **Applications close 1 March, 1 July and 1 November 2008**

#### Fulbright Senior Specialist Awards

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. **Applications close 1 March, 1 July and 1 November 2008**

#### Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy

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) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 March 2008**

#### Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer's Residency

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. **Applications close 1 April 2008**

#### International Fulbright Science and Technology Awards

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. **Applications close 1 May 2008**

#### Fulbright-Cognition Education Research Trust Scholar Award in Education Research

For a New Zealand scholar to pursue research in the US, designed to have an impact on New Zealand schooling and student achievement, for three to five months. One award valued at up to US\$20,000 (plus travel expenses) is offered each year. **Applications close 1 May 2008**

#### Fulbright New Zealand Senior Scholar Awards

For New Zealand academics, artists or professionals to pursue research or practical experience in the US for three to five months. A small number of awards valued at up to US\$32,500 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 June 2008**

#### Fulbright Visiting Lectureships in New Zealand Studies

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) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 June 2008**

#### Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Scholarship in Entrepreneurship

For a promising New Zealand graduate student in a knowledge economy-related field to complete a Masters degree at a US university and gain professional work experience in the US and New Zealand. One award valued at US\$100,000 (plus travel expenses and a paid internship) is offered each year. **Applications close 1 August 2008**

#### Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research

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\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) is offered each year. **Applications close 1 August 2008**

#### Fulbright-Ministry of Research, Science & Technology Graduate Awards

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. Approximately 11 awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 August 2008**

#### Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

For promising New Zealand graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research in any field at US institutions. Approximately eight awards valued at up to US\$25,000 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 August 2008**

#### Fulbright US Senior Scholar Awards

For US academics, artists or professionals to pursue research or practical experience in New Zealand for three to five months. A small number of awards valued at up to NZ\$32,500 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. **Applications close 1 August 2008**

#### Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice

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. One or two fellowships valued at up to US\$95,000 are offered each year. **Applications close 5 September 2008**

#### Fulbright US Graduate Awards

For promising US graduate students to undertake postgraduate study or research in any field at New Zealand institutions. Approximately 10 awards covering travel, tuition and living costs are offered each year. **Applications close 17 October 2008**

#### Eisenhower Fellowships

For emerging American leaders to visit New Zealand to meet with local experts in their field of interest. One or two awards covering travel, accommodation and living costs are offered each year. **Application dates vary - see the Eisenhower Fellowships website ([www.eisenhowerfellowships.org](http://www.eisenhowerfellowships.org)) for details.**

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