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NB. It was optional for grantees to state ethnic/cultural affiliations in this booklet
“On behalf of the New Zealand government and the people of New Zealand, I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to this year’s Fulbright grantees, their teachers and their families.

For more than six decades, the Fulbright exchange programme has seen thousands of young New Zealanders and Americans study in each other’s country. New Zealand and the United States have a close and vibrant relationship, and the strong links between the people of our two countries, particularly those established and fostered through the Fulbright programme, are an essential part of that relationship. I have no doubt your experiences will lead to greater collaboration and cooperation between our countries across a broad range of disciplines. I wish you all the best for your exchanges.”

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

“Congratulations to all of this year’s Kiwi and American Fulbright grantees. The Fulbright program is the flagship of American academic exchanges, and your participation is a testament to your excellence, imagination, and dedication.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of formal US-NZ bilateral relations, as well as the 174th year of American diplomatic presence in Aotearoa. The more than 2,700 Fulbrighters who have traveled between our two countries have contributed greatly to the strength, depth, and breadth of this historic, enduring relationship. Senator Fulbright’s vision was founded on knowledge, reason, compassion, and friendship. Those keystones – if preserved and strengthened against tides of unleavened mercantilism – will serve successive generations extremely well as they step forward to lead our two countries.”

Hon David Huebner
US Ambassador to New Zealand
Honorary Chairperson, Fulbright New Zealand

“On behalf of Fulbright New Zealand’s Board of Directors and staff, congratulations to all of this year’s Fulbright grantees. You are now part of a long and esteemed tradition of educational and cultural exchange between the US and New Zealand. We encourage each of you to make the very best of your exchange opportunity, and to remain engaged long term as Fulbright alumni who are committed to improving their country and the world.

We are proud to make such a meaningful contribution to the academic, professional and cultural capital of our two partner nations. My own Fulbright experience really was a turning point in my career and personal life, so I encourage all grantees to embrace every opportunity their award presents.”

Helen Anderson
Chairperson of the Board, Fulbright New Zealand
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The Fulbright Programme

The Fulbright programme of international educational exchange was an initiative of 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 1,500 New Zealand graduate students, academics, artists and professionals to the US and welcomed more than 1,200 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 155 countries, funding around 8,000 exchanges per year for participants to study, research, teach or present their work in another country.

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

Esteemed alumni of the Fulbright programme include Alan MacDiarmid, Dame Marie Clay, Sir Wallace Rowling, Allen Curnow, Dame Jean Herbison, Sir Kenneth Keith, C. K. Stead, Bill Manhire, James 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.

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

Fulbright New Zealand offers a range of awards to New Zealand and American graduate students to study or research in each other’s countries. Grantees are selected on the basis of academic excellence, leadership potential and ambassadorial qualities.

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

Fulbright-Platinum Triangle Award in Business

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

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

Mahara Inglis
Ngā Rauru Kitahi, Ngāti Ruanui, Ngā Ruahinerangi

Mahara Inglis from Wellington will complete a Master of Business Administration degree in Management and Entrepreneurship, specialising in clean technology entrepreneurship, at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mahara graduated with a BCA and a BSc from Victoria University of Wellington in 2004.

Fulbright-Ministry of Science and Innovation Graduate Awards

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

Approximately 10 awards valued at up to US$25,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year. This year 15 awards were granted.

Kenny Bell

Kenny Bell from Putaruru will complete a PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics, specialising in climate change and environmental assessment of product life cycles, at the University of California, Berkeley.

Kenny graduated with a BCMS (Hons) in 2009 and a PGCert (Econ) in 2010 from the University of Waikato, and is currently completing an MMS there.
Sophie Briggs
Sophie Briggs from Whakatāne will complete a PhD in Geology, specialising in the petrogenesis and geochronology of carbonatite rocks, at the University of California, Santa Barbara.
Sophie graduated with a BSc (Hons) and a DipLang (Spanish) from the University of Otago in 2011.

Francesca Brown
Francesca Brown from Wellington will complete a Master of Laws degree in Law, Science and Technology, specialising in patent litigation, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.
Francesca graduated with a BA and an LLB (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2010.

Sam Cormack
Sam Cormack from Wellington will complete a PhD in Physics, specialising in cosmology, at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire.
Sam graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2010.

Matt Cutfield
Matt Cutfield from Auckland will research the effectiveness and cost efficiency of energy isolators and dissipators in reducing earthquake damage to buildings, at the University of Nevada, Reno, towards a PhD in Structural Earthquake Engineering from the University of Auckland.
Matt graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2011.

Renee Johansen
Renee Johansen from Auckland will research the effect of invasive marram grass on the composition of mycorrhizal fungal communities in sand dunes, at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, towards a PhD in Ecology from the University of Auckland.
Renee graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2012.
Amanda Lee
Amanda Lee from Christchurch is researching conversational language and verbal avoidance behaviours in adults who stutter, at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, towards a PhD from the University of Canterbury.
Amanda graduated with a BSLT (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2010.

Emma Marshall
Emma Marshall from Christchurch will research the impact of the Canterbury earthquakes and their aftermath on the relationships of couples, at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, towards a PhD in Psychology from the University of Canterbury.
Emma graduated with a BA (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2009.

William (Niancen) Miao  Chinese New Zealander
William Miao from Auckland will complete a Master of Environmental Management degree in Sustainable Urban and Industrial Systems, specialising in the creation of symbiotic environments for manufacturing plants, at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.
William graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2012.

Sarah Mitchell
Sarah Mitchell from Auckland will complete a PhD in Mechanical Engineering, specialising in computational solid mechanics, at California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.
Sarah graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2012.

James Muirhead  Ngāi Tahu
James Muirhead from Auckland is completing a PhD in Geology, specialising in interactions between tectonic and magmatic processes at the East African Rift in Tanzania, at the University of Idaho in Moscow.
James graduated with an MSc from the University of Auckland in 2010.
Frank Pega
Frank Pega from Wellington will research the impact of family and in-work tax credits on the health of adults, at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts, towards a PhD in Public Health from the University of Otago.

Frank graduated with a diploma in psychology from the University of Konstanz in 2001, a BSc (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2003, and an MSc from Massey University in 2008.

Kelly Ratana Ngāti Tuwharetoa, Te Arawa
Kelly Ratana from Taupō will complete a Master of Science in Marine Science degree, specialising in marine and freshwater sciences, at Hawai‘i Pacific University in Honolulu.

Kelly graduated with a BA and a BSc from the University of Auckland in 2009, and obtained a PGDip (Marine Studies) from Bay of Plenty Polytechnic in 2011.

Jenni Tipler
Jenni Tipler from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Structural Engineering, specialising in performance-based earthquake engineering design for the evaluation of new technologies, at Stanford University in Stanford, California.

Jenni graduated with a BA and a BE from the University of Auckland in 2010, and an MEEES from the ROSE School in 2012.

James Williams
James Williams from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Applied Mathematics, specialising in mathematical computing, at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut.

James graduated with a BSc (Hons) from the University of Canterbury in 2011.
Fulbright-EQC Graduate Award in Natural Disaster Research

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

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

Jonathan Watkins

Jonathan Watkins from Auckland will research the design of seismic resilient buildings that utilise self-centering precast concrete walls, at Iowa State University in Ames, towards a PhD in Civil Engineering from the University of Auckland.

Jonathan graduated with a BE (Hons) from the University of Auckland in 2011.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award

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

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

Renee Wikaire Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Whātua

Renee Wikaire from Christchurch will complete a PhD in Education, specialising in indigenous development through sport, at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

Renee graduated with a BPhEd (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2011.
Fulbright New Zealand General Graduate Awards

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

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

Michael Dobson

Michael Dobson from Wellington will complete a Master of Arts degree in Politics, specialising in environmental political theory, at the New School in New York.

Michael graduated with an LLB in 2009 and a BA (Hons) in 2010 from the University of Otago.

Bryony Gibson-Cornish

Bryony Gibson-Cornish from Christchurch will complete a Master of Music degree in Theory, History and Performance, specialising in performance viola, at the Juilliard School in New York.

Bryony graduated with a MusB from the University of Canterbury in 2012, and is currently completing a MusB (Hons) there.

Alex Latu

Alex Latu from Dunedin will complete a Master of Laws degree in Administrative and Constitutional Law, at New York University.

Alex graduated with a BA and an LLB (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2010.

Peter Martin

Peter Martin from Wellington will complete a Master of Laws degree in International Law at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.

Peter graduated with a BSc and an LLB (Hons) from the University of Otago in 2006.
Branwen Millar
Branwen Millar from Wellington will complete a Master of International Affairs degree in Human Rights, specialising in gender issues in international development, at Columbia University in New York.

Branwen graduated with an MA from Victoria University of Wellington in 2007.

David Turner
David Turner from Wellington will complete a Master of Laws degree in Human Rights and Constitutional Law, at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

David graduated with a BA and an LLB (Hons) in 2010 from the University of Canterbury.

Lora Vaioleti Tongan, European
Lora Vaioleti from Hamilton will study and research using dialogue, future thinking and digital technology to increase resilience to climate change in the Pacific region, at the University of California, Irvine, towards a Master of Management Studies degree from the University of Waikato.

Lora graduated with a BPhty from the University of Otago in 2006, and a GradDip(Mgt) from the University of Waikato in 2010.

Janna van Hasselt
Janna van Hasselt from Christchurch will complete a Master of Fine Arts degree in Printmedia, specialising in lithography combined with ceramics and painting, at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in Chicago, Illinois.

Janna graduated with a BFA and a BSc from the University of Canterbury in 2005.

Robin W. and Avril Flockton Winks Award
This supplementary award, offered by the Lois Roth Endowment, 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 Alex Latu.
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 Branwen Millar.

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 NZ$30,000 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year. This year 10 awards were granted.

Laura Bergner
Laura Bergner from McLean, Virginia is completing a Master of Science degree in Zoology, specialising in conservation genetics of reintroduced populations of threatened birds, at the University of Otago.
Laura graduated with a BA and a BS from Davidson College in 2009.

Megan Couture
Megan Couture from South Hadley, Massachusetts is completing a Master of Urban Planning degree in Urban Sustainability, specialising in sustainable urban design in New Zealand, at the University of Auckland.
Megan graduated with a BA from Mount Holyoke College in 2011.

Nadine Dodge
Nadine Dodge from Salem, Massachusetts is completing a Master of Development Studies degree in Rural Development, specialising in agriculture and sustainable development in New Zealand and the US, at Victoria University of Wellington.
Nadine graduated with a BA from Skidmore College in 2010.
Jessica Hinojosa
Jessica Hinojosa from Dallas, Texas is completing a PhD in Geology, specialising in paleoclimatological analysis of the Roaring Forties winds, at the University of Otago.
Jessica graduated with an MS from Stanford University in 2011.

Kate MacDuffie
Kate MacDuffie from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is researching strategies to enhance the brain’s ability to imagine future events, at the University of Auckland, towards a PhD in Psychology from Duke University.
Kate graduated with a BS from the University of Michigan in 2009.

Dana Morton
Dana Morton from Tracy, California is researching the influence of habitat availability and structure on the recruitment of endemic New Zealand triplefin fish, at Victoria University of Wellington.
Dana graduated with a BS from the University of California, Santa Cruz in 2007, and an MS from San Diego State University in 2011.

Katy Orr
Katy Orr from Reno, Nevada is researching the deposition of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in Arthur’s Pass National Park, at the University of Otago.
Katy graduated with a BS from Saint Mary’s College of California in 2011.

Peri Sasnett
Peri Sasnett from Kirkland, Washington is completing a Master of Science degree in Geology, specialising in analogue modeling of the Greendale Fault, at the University of Canterbury.
Peri graduated with a BA from Columbia University in 2011.
Brinkley Warren

Brinkley Warren from Athens, Georgia is completing a Master of Fine Arts degree in Installation Art, specialising in experience design and transpersonal psychology, at Massey University Wellington.

Brinkley graduated with an MA from the University of Georgia in 2011.

Wells Weymouth

Wells Weymouth from Tampa, Florida is completing a Postgraduate Certificate in Antarctic Studies, specialising in the impact of melatonin supplements on circadian rhythms of Antarctic workers, at the University of Canterbury.

Wells graduated with a BS from the University of Florida in 2011.

Fulbright Scholar Programme

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

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

Fulbright New Zealand Scholar Awards

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

A small number of awards valued at up to US$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year. This year six awards were granted.

Fiona Cowles

Fiona Cowles from Dunedin researched the cellular function of the COMMD10 protein, at the University of Texas Southwestern in Dallas.

Fiona is an Associate Professor of Physiology at the University of Otago.
Paul Cullen
Paul Cullen from Auckland researched collaborative and non-gallery public art practises as part of a sculpture/design intervention for the ArtWeb Alabama project, at Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama.
Paul is a Senior Lecturer in Visual Arts at AUT University.

Jennifer Curtin
Jennifer Curtin from Auckland is researching career pathways of women politicians in Westminster countries and the US, at Georgetown University in Washington, DC.
Jennifer is a Senior Lecturer in Political Studies at the University of Auckland.

Andrew Geddis
Andrew Geddis from Dunedin will research the socio-legal history of freedom of expression in New Zealand, at Arizona State University in Tempe and the University of California, Los Angeles.
Andrew is a Professor of Law at the University of Otago.

Frances Hughes
Frances Hughes from Porirua will research the preparation of health professionals for psychosocial response to natural disasters and maintaining long-term competency, at Rutgers University in Piscataway, New Jersey.
Frances is a mental health nurse and a clinical and policy adviser.

Shane Telfer
Shane Telfer from Palmerston North is researching carbon dioxide capture by metal-organic frameworks, at the University of California, Berkeley.
Shane is an Associate Professor in Chemistry at Massey University.
Fulbright Visiting Scholar Awards in New Zealand Studies

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

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

John Hopkins

John Hopkins from Christchurch researched the Administrative Procedure Act and the US system of federalism, and taught a course on comparative global constitutionalism from a Pacific viewpoint, at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for their Spring 2012 semester.

John is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Canterbury.

Holly Thorpe

Holly Thorpe from Raglan will research children and young persons’ involvement in extreme sports, and teach a course on sport in New Zealand society, at Georgetown University in Washington, DC for their Fall 2012 semester.

Holly is a Senior Lecturer in Sport and Leisure Studies at the University of Waikato.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Scholar Award

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

One award valued at up to US$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) is offered each year.

Jacinta Ruru

Jacinta Ruru from Dunedin will research indigenous challenges to Western property law, at Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon and Arizona State University in Tempe.

Jacinta is a Senior Lecturer in Law at the University of Otago.
Fulbright-Cognition Scholar Award in Education Research

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

One award valued at up to US$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) is offered each year.

Kate Thornton

Kate Thornton from Wellington will research mentoring and coaching of teachers and educational leaders, at the New Teacher Center in Santa Cruz, California.

Kate is a Senior Lecturer in Education Policy and Implementation at Victoria University of Wellington.

Fulbright-Creative New Zealand Pacific Writer’s Residency

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

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

Daren Kamali

Daren Kamali from Auckland will write poems and short stories for publication in a collection entitled *Squid Out of Water*, at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa in Honolulu.

Daren is a performance poet and author.

*Photo: Ema Tavola*
Fulbright-Wallace Arts Trust Award

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

One residency valued at over US$30,000 is offered each year.

Brydee Rood

Brydee Rood from Auckland completed a three month residency at Headlands Center for the Arts in Sausalito, California.

Brydee is an installation artist.

Fulbright-Harkness New Zealand Fellowship

This fellowship is for an emerging New Zealand leader in any field of study or vocation (excluding health care policy and practice) to study or research in the US for a minimum of six weeks.

One fellowship valued at NZ$15,000 is offered each year.

Peter Griffin

Peter Griffin from Wellington will research public interest journalism at the Center for Public Integrity in Washington, DC and the California HealthCare Foundation Center for Health Reporting in Oakland, California, and will assist with the establishment of the US Science Media Center.

Peter is Founding Manager of the Science Media Centre and the blogging network Sciblogs.co.nz
Fulbright New Zealand Travel Awards

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

Approximately twelve awards valued at up to NZ$5,000 are offered each year. This year 10 awards were granted.

Hannah Clark-Younger

Hannah Clark-Younger from Nelson gave a presentation on solving the problem of imperative inference at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Hannah is a PhD candidate at the University of Otago.

Rochelle Constantine

Rochelle Constantine from Auckland will give a presentation entitled Antarctic feeding ground confirmed for East Australian humpback whales: But where do Oceania’s whales go? at the 32nd Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Rochelle is a Senior Lecturer in Biological Sciences at the University of Auckland.

Steve Cosgrove

Steve Cosgrove from Wellington presented a paper entitled Bringing together a low-cost networking learning environment at the Association for Computing Machinery Special Interest Group for Information Technology Education’s 12th Annual Conference in West Point, New York.

Steve is a Senior Lecturer in Information Technology at Whitireia New Zealand.

Catherine Fowler

Catherine Fowler from Dunedin gave presentations on video art at the University of California, Los Angeles, Harvard University and Yale University.

Catherine Fowler is a Senior Lecturer in Film and Media Studies at the University of Otago.
David Harper

David Harper from Wellington will present his research into memory impairment following exposure to drugs of abuse at several conferences and seminars in the US.

David is an Associate Professor of Psychology at Victoria University of Wellington.

Peter Nelson

Peter Nelson from Wellington will present his research into extremal matroid theory at the New York Combinatorics Seminar.

Peter is a Teaching Fellow in Mathematics at Victoria University of Wellington.

Tanya O’Neill

Tanya O’Neill from Hamilton will give a presentation entitled Soil surface recovery from vehicle and foot traffic in the Ross Sea region of Antarctica at the 32nd Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Tanya is a PhD candidate at the University of Waikato.

Laura Revell

Laura Revell from Christchurch presented a paper entitled The chemical effects of nitrous oxide and methane on stratospheric ozone over the next 100 years at the World Climate Research Program’s Open Science Conference in Denver, Colorado.

Laura is a PhD candidate at the University of Canterbury.

Inga Smith

Inga Smith from Dunedin will give a presentation entitled Sea ice growth rates near Antarctic ice shelves at the 32nd Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Inga is a Research Fellow in Physics at the University of Otago.
Colleen Young


Colleen Young is Administrator of the Centre for Studies in Multiple Pathways at Manukau Institute of Technology.

Fulbright-Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Travel Awards

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

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

Te Kawehau Hoskins Ngāti Hau, Ngāpuhi


Te Kawehau is a Post-Doctoral Fellow and a Lecturer in Māori Education at the University of Auckland.

Pefi Kingi Niuean

Pefi Kingi from Auckland presented a paper entitled “*Mitaki*” A Pacific dialogue: Towards indigenous quality, quality assurance and quality assurance activities at the 2nd Cross Cultural Health Care Conference in Honolulu, Hawai‘i.

Pefi is a consultant in Pacific health and education.

Cindy Kiro Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Hine

Cindy Kiro from Auckland gave presentations on the intersection between indigenous health and public health at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts and the University of Hawai‘i in Honolulu.

Cindy Kiro is an Associate Professor of Public Health and Head of the School of Public Health at Massey University Albany.
Fulbright US Scholar Awards

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

A small number of awards valued at up to NZ$32,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year. This year six awards were granted.

Claudine Bigelow

Claudine Bigelow from Provo, Utah is recording, performing and teaching viola music, at the New Zealand School of Music.

Claudine is a Professor of Viola and Chamber Music at Brigham Young University.

Ted Catton

Ted Catton from Missoula, Montana is researching and writing a comparative history of national park protection in the US and New Zealand, at the University of Canterbury.

Ted is an Associate Research Professor in History at the University of Montana.

Susan Faircloth

Susan Faircloth from State College, Pennsylvania is researching education conditions and outcomes for deaf or hearing impaired Māori students, at Victoria University of Wellington.

Susan is an Associate Professor of Education at Pennsylvania State University.

Jason Julian

Jason Julian from Norman, Oklahoma researched how land use change and other landscape characteristics affect optical water quality in New Zealand at NIWA (the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research).

Jason is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of Oklahoma.
Tema Milstein

Tema Milstein from Alburquerque, New Mexico researched cultural and communication practices in marine wildlife ecotourism, at AUT University.

Tema is an Assistant Professor of Communication at the University of New Mexico.

Thomas Wartenberg

Thomas Wartenberg from Northampton, Massachusetts is teaching a course on Philosophy and Popular Culture, at Victoria University of Wellington, and helping introduce a philosophy for children programme at Island Bay School.

Thomas is a Professor of Philosophy at Mount Holyoke College.

Awards for Institutions

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

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

Fulbright Specialist Awards

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

Approximately six awards valued at up to NZ$8,400 (plus travel expenses) are offered each year. This year six awards were granted.

Richard Chen See

The New Zealand School of Dance hosted Richard Chen See from New York, who taught the dance work “Company B” by American choreographer Paul Taylor to graduating students.

Richard is a freelance dance tutor who is authorized by Paul Taylor Dance Company to stage Paul Taylor’s dances around the world.
**Bill Evans**
The University of Canterbury hosted Bill Evans from Pensacola, Florida, who assisted with course and curriculum development for specialist training of teachers of children with emotional and behavioural difficulties.

Bill is a Professor of Education and Director of the School of Education at the University of West Florida.

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**Craig Garner**
The University of Auckland hosted Craig Garner from Los Altos, California, who gave lectures and presentations about the biology of autism spectrum disorders, and spoke at the 2011 Australasian Winter Conference on Brain Research.

Craig is a Professor of Psychiatry at Stanford University, and Co-Director of the Stanford Center for Research and Treatment of Down Syndrome.

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**Gregg Lord**
Massey University Wellington hosted Gregg Lord from George Washington University, who gave lectures and assisted with curriculum development in the field of emergency management.

Gregg is a Senior Research Scientist in Emergency Preparedness and Resilience at George Washington University.

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**Hatim Omar**
Wintec hosted Hatim Omar from Lexington, Kentucky, who gave lectures and seminars about the Kentucky state’s Stop Youth Suicide campaign.

Hatim is a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Kentucky and Chief of the Division of Adolescent Medicine at UK HealthCare.

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**Marge Schaffer**
The University of Auckland hosted Marge Schaffer from St Paul, Minnesota, who assisted with development of postgraduate programmes in nursing and gave lectures and seminars about public health nursing, primary healthcare nursing and advanced care planning.

Marge is a Professor of Nursing at Bethel University.
Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Programme

These awards are for US academic institutions to host overseas academics for a semester or a full academic year to help upgrade and internationalise their curricula, give advice on faculty development and conduct lectures from a comparative perspective.

Approximately 50 awards covering travel, living costs, insurance and professional allowances are offered each year to institutions historically underserved by international scholarly exchange.

Karl Rangikawhiti Leonard  Te Arawa, Ngāti Awa, Ngāti Raukawa

Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell, Montana will host Karl Rangikawhiti Leonard from Ngongotahā, who will teach courses in indigenous art traditions and assist with developing a rotating exhibition of student art.

Karl is a weaver and Director of Māori Art at Rākai Māori Art and Language Services.

Te Raukura Roa  Waikato, Maniapoto, Ngāti Apakura, Ngāti Hauā

The University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa in Honolulu will host Te Raukura Roa from Hamilton, who will teach Māori language, literature and culture and assist with development of the university’s Māori programme.

Te Raukura is a Post-doctoral Research Fellow at the University of Waikato.
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.

Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy

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

A small number of fellowships valued at up to NZ$45,500 (plus travel expenses and insurance) are offered each year. This year six awards were granted.

Craig Lebamoff

Craig Lebamoff from Washington, DC is researching how New Zealand balances privacy rights and security interests in a multi-threat environment, at the New Zealand Customs Service.

Craig is an Associate Counsel for National Security at the US Department of Homeland Security.

Caroline Park

Caroline Park from Arlington, Virginia is researching US and New Zealand approaches to sustainable fisheries, at the Ministry of Fisheries.

Caroline is Deputy Section Chief for Sustainable Fisheries at the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Christian Stearns

Christian Stearns from Greensboro, North Carolina is researching the use of sustainability as a framework for social housing in New Zealand, at the Department of Building and Housing.

Christian is the former Director of the Greensboro Field Office of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.
Dave Vannier

Dave Vannier from Bethesda, Maryland is researching policies and practices that lead to effective science instruction in New Zealand primary and secondary schools, at the Ministry of Education.

Dave is a Consultant at the National Institutes of Health’s Office of Science Education.

Bruce Vaughn

Bruce Vaughn from Flint Hill, Virginia is researching shared NZ-US interests in promoting stability in the South Pacific, at the Ministry of Defence and Victoria University of Wellington.

Bruce is a Specialist in Asian Affairs at the Congressional Research Service.

Cornelia Weiss

Cornelia Weiss from Washington, DC is researching the impact of military justice, human rights and the rule of law on New Zealand Defence Force operations, at the New Zealand Defence Force.

Cornelia is a Judge Advocate at the United States Air Force Reserves.

Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice

These fellowships, offered by The Commonwealth Fund, 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 fellowship valued at up to US$107,000 is offered each year.

Sue Wells

Sue Wells from Auckland will research how information technology can coordinate and track cardiovascular care across health services from screening to rehabilitation, at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts.

Sue is a Senior Lecturer in Clinical Epidemiology and Quality Improvement at the University of Auckland.
John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship

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.

Fellowships valued at up to NZ$30,000 are awarded on an occasional basis.

Thomas Friedman

The New Zealand International Arts Festival hosted Thomas Friedman from New York, who gave a keynote address at the festival’s Writers and Readers Week. He also gave a free public lecture at AUT University in Auckland.

Thomas is an author and a foreign affairs columnist for The New York Times.

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