

Equity at Work

[New family violence laws set to come into force](#) – 1 News Now, 30 June

The Family Violence Act 2018 replaces the Domestic Violence Act 1995 with a stronger focus on the safety of survivors and how the system responds.

The term family violence is used to reflect that violence happens in a range of intimate and family relationships. The definition now includes coercive or controlling behaviour. Police can now consider new factors, including abuse of pets, dowry or withholding care. Applying for protection is now simpler, with measures to improve collaboration between agencies.

Learn how the University supports the [Family Violence: It's Not OK initiative](#) and register for the upcoming [Family Violence Seminar on 29 August 2019.](#)

Low Socio-Economic Backgrounds

[Inequality, unaffordable housing risks for NZ economy - OECD](#) – RNZ, 25 June

A global report has praised New Zealand for its wellbeing approach to policy, but has named inequality, housing unaffordability and migration policy as major risks to our economic success.

Read [how the University supports students from Low Socio-Economic Backgrounds](#).

Rainbow

[For the first time, Statistics New Zealand has collected information about sexual identity](#) – NZ Herald, 26 June

For the first time, Statistics New Zealand's General Social Survey (GSS) included information about people's sexual identity.

Find out how the University [supports Rainbow students and staff](#)

Wellbeing

[Work less and prosper](#) – Newsroom, June 25

'Let's deal with inequality and ensure everybody can engage in work that's structured around their lives', writes Anna Rawhiti-Connell. 'Wellbeing can't be a luxury afforded only to white collar professionals'.

Find out how the University supports [Flexible Work](#) and [Health, Safety and Wellbeing](#)