

Faculty focus: Arts

Laura Butler completed a Bachelor of Arts (BA) majoring in Media, Film and Television (MFTV) with a minor in Psychology and is now a Retail Marketing Executive with Air New Zealand.

"I'm new to the role so it's all still very exciting to me! As Retail Marketing Executives, our team manages the retail campaigns and all that comes with them, including television, radio and outdoor advertising as well as the digital components such as online banners, emails and webpages. It's pretty awesome to have responsibility for so many different facets of the campaign.

"I've always wanted to get into marketing in this type of role and it's my first week on the job, so basically all of it is enjoyable! My biggest highlight so far was going into the studio with our talent to record some voice overs for a television campaign. I think there's going to be a lot of highlights to come.

"Media, Film and Television and Psychology prepared me well for marketing roles. They have helped me to understand how people think and

then apply it to marketing situations.

"Doing a BA really helped me to mature in my ideas and stand up for my point of view. Being able to formulate clear reasons with evidence is a huge part of marketing, so all those essays really paid off.

"The biggest reason I did a BA was the flexibility it had to be able to study a wide range of subjects rather than getting pigeon-holed into something right from the beginning. It gave me the opportunity to take a few other papers and decide if what I was doing at the beginning was right for me. I actually did Drama for my first year instead of Media, Film and Television. I took one MFTV paper and was hooked!

"I know that if I hadn't done a BA, I would not be where I have ended up today."



Courses &
Careers
Day

OPEN DAY 2016

Saturday 27 August
9am-3.30pm

Save the date for the University of Auckland's
open day – Courses and Careers Day.

The programme will be available in July for the start of Term 3.
In the meantime visit our website www.coursesandcareersday.ac.nz for the latest updates.

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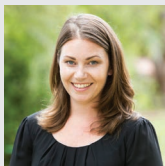
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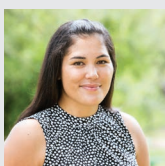
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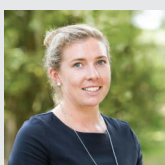
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From the Schools Partnership Office

The SPO team has been busy visiting schools across New Zealand. We look forward to the upcoming events in Term 2 and to hosting careers staff at our annual **LINK Conference, on 27 and 28 June**. The University is very excited about the new range of scholarships available for school-leavers starting their degree studies in 2017. As well as supporting many more students, we have also listened to feedback from schools and will be introducing a new, simplified application process.

New to the team

Talofa lava.

I am thrilled to be appointed the new **Pacific Equity Adviser** for the Equity Office. My teaching background has given me the opportunity to mentor and support Pacific students in education from primary through to tertiary levels in the Wellington and Auckland regions. This strategic role will enable me to channel this experience into helping guide and strengthen the success of our Pacific communities, students and their families in pursuit of their academic dreams and aspirations.

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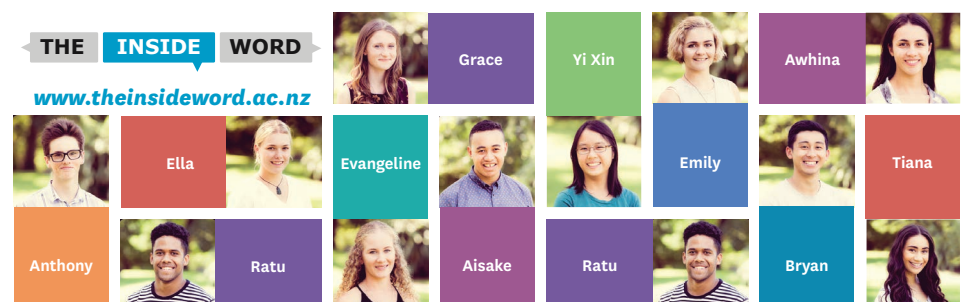
Meet the new Inside Word Student Bloggers

The Inside Word Student Blog (IWSB) enables 12 lucky first-year students to reflect on their experiences here at the University of Auckland. Our bloggers come from all over New Zealand and for the first time, we have an international student joining the team. We have launched a new website www.theinsideword.ac.nz to better showcase student life at the University in the form of photos, audiofiles and videos. Perhaps one of the 2016 bloggers is an ex-student from your school?

Name	Hometown	Degree	Accommodation
Awhina Conway	Napier	BProp	Home
Bryan Law	Wellington	BA/LLB	University Hall
Grace Wood	Auckland	BE(Hons)/BSc	Home
Tiana Tuialii	Auckland	BA/LLB	Home
Anthony Baker	Christchurch	BA/BMus	University Hall
Aisake Havea	Auckland	BCom/BProp	Home
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Anneke Nieuwenhuis	Waipukurau	BSc	University Hall
Ella Lyon	Waitara	BA	Grafton Hall
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Yi Xin Heng	Singapore	BSW	Whitaker Hall
Ratu Wye	Auckland	BE(Hons)	Whitaker Hall

THE INSIDE WORD

www.theinsideword.ac.nz



New and improved: school-leaver scholarships for 2017

By now your school should have received information about our brand-new range of scholarships for students starting undergraduate studies in 2017:

1. The University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarships
– value \$20,000

2. The University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarships
– value \$20,000

3. The University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarships
– value \$20,000

4. The University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarships
– value up to \$20,000

We will spend more than \$8 million on school-leaver scholarships in 2017, and these new schemes will enable us to support more students than ever before.

Our focus with the new scholarships will be on supporting incoming students from New Zealand schools to successfully transition into their first year of study. So a core component of them is the provision of **guaranteed University accommodation**. The University wants scholarship recipients to get the most out of student life and enjoy the experience of living in the central city, in a safe environment, with student services and amenities on hand and the opportunity to build lasting and supportive friendships. We know that this promotes excellent academic outcomes, and we want the success our new students have attained at school to continue into their university studies.

Academic achievement continues to underpin all four of the new scholarships. However, we will also address a broader range of student needs. One of the University's strategies is to increase the diversity of our student population and attract talented students to a safe, inclusive and equitable institution: if a student is the first in their family to attend university, is from a refugee background or has a disability, this will be taken account of in the assessment of their application for any of the new scholarships.

We've also listened to your feedback about the application process and we've made some changes to simplify this. Students will be required to answer a number of questions about their achievements and their personal circumstances, but they won't need to write a personal statement in support of their application. Likewise, schools will no longer be asked to write a reference, but we will ask you to verify the accuracy of the information the applicant has provided.

We've also got a new assessment process, which will work on a points-based system, in a similar way to a visa application. Applicants will accrue points for each assessment criterion they satisfy. This new methodology will add **more objectivity and consistency** to our decision-making process.

These new scholarships will benefit many more students, with no limit on the number of applications per school or per scholarship - providing the student meets the eligibility criteria - and we hope you will encourage your students to apply. A new scholarships e-book and tutorial video will also be available before scholarship applications open later this month. Applications will close on **23 August** this year.

All the details are on www.scholarships.ac.nz, and of course the SPO team will keep you updated. If you have any queries you can email us at scholarships@auckland.ac.nz. We look forward to meeting you in person at the Link Conference on 28 June.



Events for students and families

Elam School of Fine Arts

Tours (April - October)

Tours of Elam are available for prospective students, teachers and parents. You will be able to chat with students and staff about our programmes, visit our facilities and see current Elam students at work.

Portfolio Workshops (August - September)

An important part of the application process for Elam is the submission of a creative portfolio of work. Workshops are offered for prospective students to learn how to collate and submit a portfolio required for their application. These workshops are strongly recommended for students interested in studying the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) and/or Fine Arts conjoint degree programmes.

School of Music

Tours (April - October)

School of Music tours coincide with performances and/or classroom sit-in sessions. You will be able to chat with students and staff about our programmes, visit our facilities and experience the standard of work within the School.

Music Workshops (June - August)

If you are interested in studying jazz performance or popular music we recommend joining these workshop sessions tailored for secondary school students and led by staff and guests of the School of Music.

Songwriter Workshops (7 and 8 June)

Jazz Combo Series (13, 20 and 27 August)

School of Architecture and Planning

Tours (April - October)

Tours of the School of Architecture and Planning will take prospective students, teachers and parents through the design studios, digital design workshops, wood, metal, laser cutting and 3D modelling workshops, anechoic chamber, the large format printing hub and the Architecture and Planning library. At the end of the tour you will be able to chat with staff and ask questions about the architecture and urban planning programmes, and how to apply.

Portfolio Workshops (August - September)

An important part of the application process for a Bachelor of Architectural Studies (BAS) is the submission of a creative portfolio of work. Workshops are offered for prospective students to learn how to collate and submit a portfolio required for their application. These workshops are strongly recommended for students interested in studying Architecture.

Interested in a tour or workshop?

Please visit www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/tours to register for a tour and read more about upcoming workshops.

Education and Social Work Experience Days

Get a taste of life as a university student. Experience day is a practical and engaging way for secondary school students who have an interest in teaching, sport, health, physical education or social work to get a taste of life as a university student at the Faculty of Education and Social Work, and learn about what we offer at each of our three locations - Epsom, Tai Tokerau (Whangarei) and Manukau (Otara).

Epsom Campus

Wednesday 3 August 2016

Tai Tokerau Campus

Thursday 28 July 2016

University of Auckland at Manukau Programme

Thursday 4 August 2016

For more information visit

www.education.auckland.ac.nz/info-sessions

Education information sessions

Tai Tokerau Information Session (Whangarei)

Our Tai Tokerau Campus is located in the heart of Whangarei. It is a small campus of about 180 students and offers a friendly and supportive learning environment.

Come to our information session on **11 May** and talk with our knowledgeable advisers and programme leaders about your career aspirations and the study options that are right for you.

To register for the event visit the event page on our website: www.education.auckland.ac.nz/en/about/events/events-2016/05/tai-tokerau-information-session.html



Accommodation

When should students apply?

Online applications for University accommodation open from 1 August. Unlike previous years, when the date the application was received was used during the selection process, students who submit their completed application between 1 August and 30 September will be considered equally for a first offer. This also means that students planning on attending Courses and Careers day on 27 August can wait to submit their application until after they have viewed the halls.

Students can continue to apply for accommodation after 30 September to be considered for places that become available through withdrawals.

Please note: there is no closing date for applications but if students apply after 30 September this can impact their chances of receiving an offer for their preferred residence.

What is needed for the application process?

- The Hall of Residence the student wishes to apply for (students can only select one preference)
- The student's most recent academic results (Year 12 NCEA, IB or CIE)
- The student's NSN (NCEA) or Candidate Code and Centre Code (CIE) or Personal Code (IB)
- The student's intended degree at the University of Auckland
- Details of the student's emergency contact (name, address, phone number/s and email address)

A student's academic background has a strong weighting on their selection. School references and the student's written statements in the 'About You' section also factor in the decision. The Halls are looking for a balanced student mix, so they will be considering gender-balance and a mix of students from different backgrounds studying different degrees.

First offers, ongoing offers and waitlists

First offers will be made at the beginning of October, with **responses due by 21 October**.

If a student does not receive a first offer, they should not panic. Ongoing offers continue to be made as places become available through withdrawals, and while we may not be able to offer places to students in their preferred Hall, it does not mean that they will miss out on accommodation.

It is commonplace for a Hall to receive up to three times the amount of applications than there are beds available. In these cases, students may be offered a place in another Hall. It is strongly advised that students seriously consider any alternative offers, as there is no guarantee that places in their preferred residence will become available. With our Halls offering the same social programmes and academic support, they will still have the same 'first-year' hall experience no matter where they live.

Guaranteed Accommodation

The University of Auckland guarantees accommodation in a Hall of Residence for students studying their first year of a bachelors degree at Epsom Campus in 2017. Most Halls are within walking distance or a short bus ride to and from Epsom Campus.

2017 and beyond

Often first year students wonder what options will be available to them in their following year, and as the University of Auckland Accommodation has been in a stage of growth we have more beds to offer than ever before.

In February this year, Carlaw Park Student Village opened the doors of stage two which now offers 82 additional apartments, and brings the village community total up to a massive 697 residents.

We are also excited to announce that opening in February 2017 will be a new residence located on 55 Symonds Street. This yet-to-be named residence will house 343 students in studio and deluxe studio apartments only a short five minute walk from the University General Library.

In addition to Carlaw Park Student Village & 55 Symonds Street, our returning undergraduates can apply for places in shared apartments at Parnell Student Village, University Hall apartments and UniLodge (UniLodge also offers standard studio, deluxe studio and twinshare apartments).

For more information please visit
www.auckland.accommodation.ac.nz



Key dates to remember

11 May	Tai Tokerau Information Session (Whangarei)
16 May	Main University of Auckland Scholarships Open
17 May	Whangarei Parent Seminar, 7pm, Toll Stadium
25 May	Palmerston North Parent Seminar, 7pm, Palmerston North Boys High
30 May	Christchurch Parent Seminar, 7pm, Addington Raceway
31 May	Rotorua Parent Seminar, 7pm, Holiday Inn Rotorua
1 June	Hawkes Bay Parent Seminar, 7pm, East Pier Hotel
9 June	Wellington Parent Seminar, 7pm, Westpac Stadium
16 June	Hamilton Parent Seminar, 7pm, FMG Stadium
20 June	Dunedin Parent Seminar, 6.30pm, Otago Boys High School Theatre
21 June	Nelson Parent Seminar, 7pm, Hotel Monaco
27-28 June	LINK Conference
28 June	STEAM Ahead (Year 13)
29 June	South Auckland Parent Seminar, 7pm, Vodafone Events Centre
4 July	East Auckland Parent Seminar, 7pm, Picton Centre
5 July	North Shore Parent Seminar, 7pm, Westlake Boys High School Auditorium
7 July	Enginuity Day (Year 13) Engineering event Central Auckland Parent Seminar, 7pm, Owen G Glenn Building, City Campus International Open Day, 9.30am-1pm Owen G Glenn Building, City Campus
11-13 July	DREAM Camp (Year 13)
27 July	Māori and Pacific Finance Evening (Year 12 and 13) Faculty of Education and Social Work Whānau day (Epsom Campus)
28 July	Experience Day – Tai Tokerau Campus (Whangarei)
1 August	Accommodation applications open online
2 August	Engineering Futures evening (Auckland)
3 August	Education and Social Work Experience Day (Epsom Campus)
4 August	Primary Teaching Experience Day (MIT Campus)
5 August	Engineering Futures evening (Wellington)
9 August	Kei a Tātou te Ihi (KATTI) (Year 11)
10 August	Engineering Futures evening (Auckland)
17 August	PILOT (Year 11)
23 August	Closing date for main University of Auckland scholarships
25 August	Whāia Te Pae Tawhiti (Year 12 and 13)
27 August	Courses and Careers Day (Open Day)
15 September	Recommended date for completed CCRF's to be submitted
30 September	Recommended date for accommodation applications to be received
21 October	Response due date for all first round accommodation offers
8 December	Applications close for majority of degree programmes



Engineering events

Enginuity Day

Thursday 7 July 2016

Each year, female year 13 students are invited to join us on campus for Enginuity Day to learn about what it's like to be an engineer and the career opportunities that come from studying Engineering. Please contact Amanda Clinton for more information: a.clinton@auckland.ac.nz

Engineering Futures evenings

During the information evening, students will find out more about our Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree (BE(Hons)), career prospects, accommodation options and financial support options, like our Kick Start scholarships open to first-year engineering students.

We will also provide details on how to apply and answer questions about what it is like to be a student at the University of Auckland.

Auckland: 2 and 10 August

Wellington: 5 August

Please register to attend here:

<http://www.engineering.auckland.ac.nz/en/for-secondarystudentsandschools/engineering-futures-evenings.html>

Life outside the lecture theatre



Faculty orientation days

More than 5,000 new undergraduate and postgraduate students were formally welcomed to the University at their Faculty Orientation Days in early March. The student-focused, one-day* experience covers key information about studying at the University, including faculty-specific information sessions, a campus tour and the opportunity to complete DELNA (Diagnostic English Language Needs Assessment) screening.

New students were welcomed onto Waipapa Marae each morning with a pōwhiri and welcome from the dean of their faculty, before meeting their UniGuides who will be their mentors for the bulk of the first semester.

**1.5 days for international, Māori or Pacific Island students.*

Online Orientation

Prior to attending their Faculty Orientation Day, students have access to a wealth of timely and relevant information about their upcoming University experience through Online Orientation. This interactive and informative tool was introduced last year to help ease students' transition to life at the University and provide relevant information in six easy-to-digest modules.

Content is constantly being refreshed with a particular focus on games, quizzes and videos – content that students find engaging and enjoyable. Topics include student life, stress management, money management support, assistance with enrolment, what to expect academically, time management, University support services and many more.

Clubs and societies

This year's Clubs Expo saw more than 150 clubs set up stalls to attract new members in the first week of the semester. Clubs on campus range from sports to politics, religion to academic, arts and culture to social responsibility, and everything in between.

Involvement in clubs while at university is an excellent way to enhance a student's university experience. While being a great way for students to meet and network with like-minded people, it also grants opportunities for invaluable real-world experience.

All University clubs, societies, and associations have the opportunity to apply for funding, helping to ensure they are well-run, vibrant places with high active participation by members and the wider student community.

www.auckland.ac.nz/clubs

Events

First-year students celebrated the new stage of their lives at our Rite of Passage Toga Party, held in the Town Hall. More than 1,100 students packed out the venue in togas and socialised with their fellow first-year students.

The annual Orientation Concert was headlined by UK act DJ Fresh, alongside local talent The Beat Mafia and Mt Eden – a huge night, well supported by our students.



UniGuides

Many new students find university life daunting, whether it's the thought of finding their way to classes, learning about campus resources or meeting new friends.

The University of Auckland's UniGuide programme is a free service designed to make students' first semester easier by connecting them with a student mentor to show them the ropes. UniGuides keep in touch with their groups throughout the semester, arranging regular group 'hangouts' and making themselves contactable for any questions their new students may have about student life.

More than 4,000 students signed up for the UniGuide programme during this year's Orientation, consistent with numbers in Semester One, 2015.

www.auckland.ac.nz/uniguides



Did you know?

The Equity Office – Te Ara Tautika leads the University of Auckland’s commitment to being safe, inclusive and equitable. Here’s a snapshot of our recent events.

Auckland Pride Parade

The Equity Office was proud to lead the University’s inaugural walking float at this year’s Auckland Pride Parade. Students and staff from across the faculties, as well as many friends and family members, walked together to celebrate and support our lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) community. Accompanied by the energetic roving band Superhero Second Line, and amid cheers from the crowds lining Ponsonby Road, our float was a vibrant, visual reminder of the University’s commitment to being safe, inclusive and equitable.

See our photos and video at www.equity.auckland.ac.nz/lgbti



Māori and Pacific welcome

Bright sunshine, inspirational stories and awesome entertainment helped make this year’s Māori and Pacific welcome the best yet. We welcomed over 500 new students and their whānau and families onto Waipapa Marae, where they were all encouraged to embrace the University as their village, their kāinga. Our students learned about the many ways we can support them, including through Tuākana, the University-wide learning community for our Māori and Pacific students, and through the advice and guidance of the Equity Office’s Māori and Pacific advisers. Following the information sessions, the students and their whānau and families were entertained by talented acts Beau Monga and the Royal Family Dance Crew.



Polyfest

The University of Auckland was thrilled to sponsor the Samoan Stage at ASB Polyfest for the fifth year in a row. We’re proud to be a University where our diverse communities thrive.

Tuākana student journeys

Tuākana is a University-wide learning community for our Māori and Pacific students. Tuākana programmes offer small-group learning, whakawhanaungatanga, wānanga, face-to-face meetings and linkages to key services and support across the University.



Enoka Wehi

Ngāti Porou, Te Whānau ā Apanui, Te Whakatōhea, Ngāi Tahu

Bachelor of Science (BSc) majoring in Environmental Science and Geography, second year

*“Ko Pukehāpōpō te nohoanga tīpuna, he pātaka iringa korero
Ko Pukehāpōpō te whakatinanatanga o ngā whakapapa
Ko Pukehāpōpō te toka āhuru, te toka whakairo*

“I am from a small settlement known as Whāngārā, approximately 35km north of Gisborne on the beautiful East Coast. Made famous in recent times by the feature film produced from Witi Ihimaera’s story, The Whale Rider, Whāngārā is my slice of paradise.

“Coming from a school where we were so sheltered and protected, the big jump from Ngā Puna Ō Waiōrea to the world-ranked University of Auckland was quite terrifying for this small Māori boy from Gisborne. I began my journey into the big world with a few speed bumps; however these were soon smoothed out by great friends, sneaky lunch dates and lots of aroha and support from whānau. The University’s Tuākana and CATS* whānau have helped me in so many ways, both financially and in terms of academic encouragement.

“It’s always nice to know there is someone there to catch you if you fall or even just to sit and chill with, especially when times become stressful and you feel like giving up. The memories I’ve made as a first-year student have been wicked and I look forward to many more.”

Scholarships and associations

University of Auckland Chancellor’s Awards for Top Māori and Pacific Scholars (CATS), 2015-2017

Ngā Taura Māori (NTM)

*From 2017, CATS scholarships are being superseded by the University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarships and the University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarships.

Read more about the journeys of our Tuākana students at www.equity.auckland.ac.nz/tuakana