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TE HERENGA WAKA

**2020**

# **REPORT ON PHILANTHROPY**



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# 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

**601** donors gave or pledged a total of **\$10.8 MILLION**

**78** members of the Victoria Legacy Club

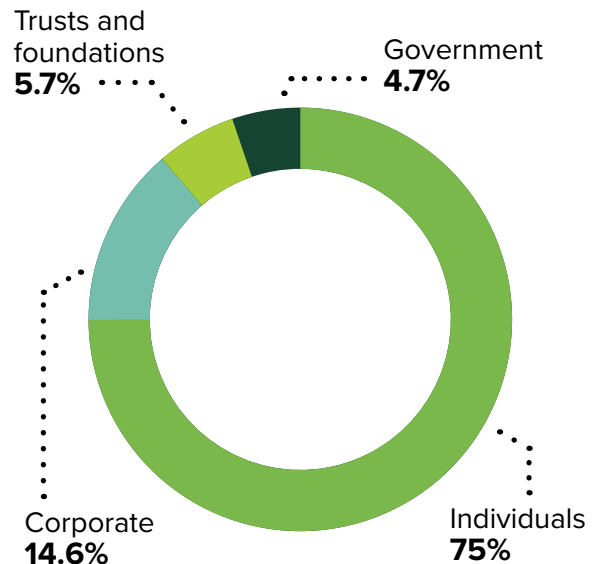
**348** members of the Victoria Benefactors' Circle

**16** students were awarded alumni appeal scholarships

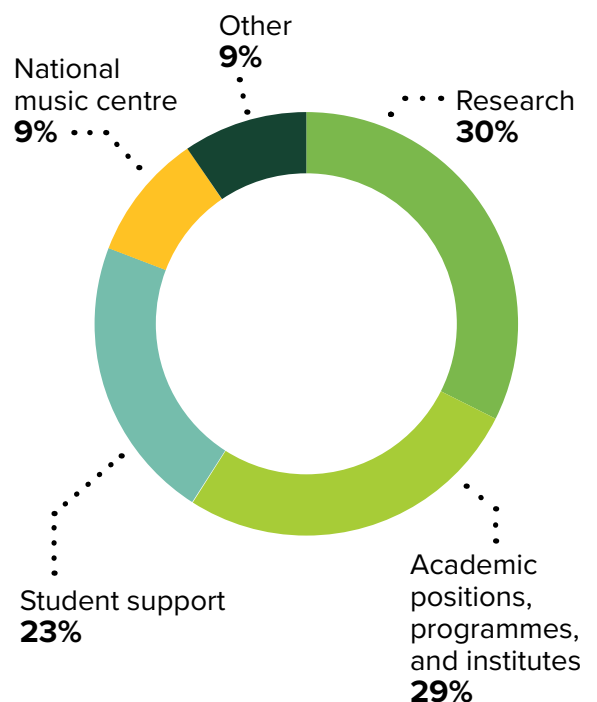
**\$6 MILLION** has been raised to date in support of the **Diana Unwin Chair in Restorative Justice**

**39** new funds, including **19 new scholarships**, were established

## WHO ARE OUR DONORS?



## WHAT DID OUR DONORS SUPPORT?



# FROM THE CHAIR

**The past year was undoubtedly one of the most unsettled we have seen. Nevertheless, the work of the Foundation continued, and I hope you will be as pleased as we were with what the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation accomplished in 2020. On behalf of the board of trustees, I thank you for all the support you give—the work of the Foundation would not be possible without you.**

Established in 1990, the Foundation's vision is to advance knowledge through education and research funded by philanthropic gifts to the University. Alongside the Foundation and the dedicated team at the Development Office, you help students to access a university education through scholarships and acknowledge their achievements with prizes. You support ground-breaking research that can change lives, and you back programmes and projects that not only add to the university experience, but also add to the culture and colour of our city.

In 2020, the Foundation received a total of \$7.4 million in donations, of which \$1.3 million was contributed to endowed projects and \$6.1 million to non-endowed projects.

The board of trustees takes its role very seriously, and one of its key responsibilities is the management of the investment fund. Much of the Foundation's funds are endowed to ensure the longevity of the projects the funds support, and our board ensures those funds are invested ethically and with as little risk as possible, in line with the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment to which we are a signatory. Thanks to your generosity, and careful management by the trustees, the Foundation's total investment fund increased from \$70.2 million to \$80.6 million in 2020.

Following the successful launch of the *What if ...?* campaign in 2019, we focused on building momentum in 2020, growing support for existing programmes, and working to bring new funds and ideas to life while striving to meet the challenge of our campaign target of \$150 million by 2022. I am heartened by the generous support you continue to give, despite the challenging year we have had, and am pleased that we have so many success stories and achievements to share with you in this report.

As ever, one of the most important pieces of work done by the Foundation is around scholarships and providing opportunities for as many people as possible to access a university education and set themselves up on the path towards a great future. Scholarships are so important to our young people—often they are the difference between someone attending university or not. The financial support scholarship recipients receive eases a huge burden on their shoulders. More than that, when a young person receives a scholarship, it affirms to them that someone believes in them and their abilities.



In 2020, several new scholarships were established, including the Raye Freedman Scholarship in Holocaust Related Studies, the Luamanuvao Dame Winnie Laban Pasifika Business Postgraduate Degree Scholarship, and the Ngā Hoe a Kupe Pathfinder Scholarships.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to members of the board of trustees for all the work they do and for their unwavering commitment to the success of the University and the Foundation.

Finally, on behalf of myself and the board, I would like to thank you, our generous donors, for your ongoing and dedicated philanthropic support. Your gifts mean so much to the people who benefit from them, and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve in the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Stevens', written in a cursive style.

**Craig Stevens**

Chair, Victoria University of Wellington Foundation



# FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

**There can be no denying that 2020 was a tough year for everyone at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington as we came to terms with the impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic and what it meant for all of us. Every aspect of our lives has been affected by the ongoing pandemic, yet I am pleased to say that, despite all the upheaval and uncertainty, the Foundation has continued to do fantastic work thanks to your ongoing and generous support.**

Your gifts support research programmes, scholarships, and academic positions that can change lives, and they are absolutely vital to the future of the University and our students. I thank you most sincerely on their behalf.

Following on from the 2019 launch of the *What if...?* philanthropic giving campaign, 2020 was about continuing to grow support for projects across the five areas of sustainability and the environment, health and wellbeing, creativity, student experience, and business and innovation.

As I am sure you already know, the University is fully committed to sustainability and aims to become carbon neutral by 2030. In 2020, I was delighted to see a partnership with the Environmental Law Initiative Trust, which made a generous donation that allows our staff and students to undertake important research in environmental law.

Another project I am very proud of is the study on supporting Pasifika success at law school. The Borrin Foundation committed a gift of \$230,000 to enable a collaborative project, to be led by Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Pasifika) Associate Professor Hon. Luamanuvao Dame Winnie Laban, to explore the themes of equality, belonging, and authority in law schools at New Zealand universities. The project will bring together academics, students, graduates, legal practitioners, and policymakers from across the country to take coordinated action to identify the barriers to Pasifika students in law schools and recommend interventions for change.

Work is being done across the University that could have major benefits for health, not just for Aotearoa New Zealand but globally. The Centre for Women's Health, for instance, is conducting research into cervical cancer screening, and research into breast cancer is being carried out at the Ferrier Research Institute. Either of these projects could save the lives of people across the country and beyond.

Together with you, we continue our work to support great futures for our students through an extensive programme of scholarships. Many of our students are enjoying university life and reaching for their goals thanks to your gift. A tertiary education is financially unattainable for so many but, together, we are helping more and more people to come to university.

One of the biggest achievements of 2020 was the launch of the Ngā Hoe a Kupe Pathfinder Scholarships. Scholarships are so important to our students, and this programme is particularly



special. It is aimed at young people from under-represented groups such as Māori, Pasifika, or refugee backgrounds from secondary schools in the Wellington region. At the start of this year, 12 incredible young women were able to take up places at the University thanks to this programme, and with support from generous donors like you, we hope to be able to fund 10 full scholarships per year for the next 10 years.

Partnership and engagement are at the heart of the University's vision to be a world-leading capital city university. We take great pride in our relationships with, and connections to, the city's culture and economy. Together we are creating a bolder, more sustainable, more diverse, and more inclusive future for the University, our students, and the wider community.

Thank you once again for your commitment to the University and the support you give to the projects close to your heart. We can only do the things we do because of you, and I look forward to being able to share more stories of transformation and change as we continue this important work together throughout the next year.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Grant Guilford'.

**Professor Grant Guilford**  
Vice-Chancellor

# VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON FOUNDATION

**Your gifts to the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation are changing lives and transforming communities.**

Thanks to your generous gifts, the Foundation has contributed more than \$71 million to support the University's key priorities through scholarships, prizes, academic positions, and research programmes since its establishment in 1990.

Governed by an independent board of trustees, the Foundation is responsible for managing your donations, investing gifts to the endowment portfolio, and distributing funds in accordance with donor wishes. None of this would be possible without you. Your gift—no matter the size—is making a difference that changes lives.







## YOUR GIFTS HELP ENSURE THE FUTURE OF OUR STUDENTS AND UNIVERSITY

**The Foundation not only assists the University by supporting the current needs of students, researchers, and academics, it also strives to ensure a successful and sustainable future for the University and its students through the endowment portfolio. Endowed gifts are carefully invested and managed to ensure resources for the University's priorities for generations to come.**

When a donor advises that a donation is to last in perpetuity, the Foundation invests that donation in the endowment portfolio to earn an annual income. That annual income is then used to provide ongoing support to the University's students and projects as per the donor's wishes.

Donors often choose to create an endowed fund, and we acknowledge this commitment by naming the fund in honour of the donor or a family member.

Five new endowed funds—the Jeremy Commons and David Carson-Parker Centre for Musical Research Scholarship, the Paul Morris Scholarship in Religion, the Frank Healy Scholarship in Law, the George Pirouet Postgraduate Scholarship in Latin American Studies, and the Cammick Scholarship—were established in 2020.

By making an endowed gift, you are investing in the future of our students, teaching, and research. The Foundation's audited financial statements are available on the website.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/foundation](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/foundation)



# OUR COMMITMENT TO UNITED NATIONS PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

**In 2018, the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation was the first New Zealand university foundation to become a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI), joining more than 3,100 organisations around the world that have committed to these principles. As a signatory, the board of the Foundation pledges to integrate environmental, social, and governance (ESG) considerations into its investment decisions.**

The UNPRI provides an internationally accepted framework for investors such as the Foundation to manage ESG issues in a manner consistent with improving long-term investment returns, focusing on six principles for responsible investment. The Foundation is committed to meeting and exceeding these principles while enhancing its stewardship of philanthropic donations.

To learn more about UNPRI, go to [www.unpri.org](http://www.unpri.org)

To learn about the Foundation’s investment policies related to ESG and see its Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives, go to [www.wgtn.ac.nz/foundation](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/foundation)



## YOU COULD EFFECT CHANGE BEYOND YOUR LIFETIME

Once you have made provision for your loved ones, a gift in your will can be the perfect way to have a lasting effect, without impacting on your current financial needs. We are immensely grateful for every gift we receive, whether it is a specific sum or a percentage of whatever is left once you have thought about those close to you.

When you create a legacy, you continue to be part of Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington far into the future.

Former diplomat and patron of the arts Suzanne Blumhardt has a long history and very personal connection to the University. Not only did she study Education and English here in the 1960s, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Education, but she was also married here and had her wedding photographs taken on the stairwell of the Hunter building. Over the years, she has given generously in support of various university initiatives.

Suzanne eventually decided to seal her connection to the University by leaving a gift in her will. She hopes her legacy will facilitate interdisciplinary staff research in the Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences long after she is gone, including topics with a Pasifika angle—an area close to her heart.



“The University has been a huge part of my life, and my involvement with it has always brought me a great deal of stimulus and pleasure.”

**Suzanne Blumhardt**

## LEGACY LEADS TO BILINGUAL POETRY PUBLICATION

A passion for language and creative writing, coupled with a connection to the University later in life, have led to a bequest that will enable the University’s Wai-te-ata Press to publish more foreign language works with translations.

In 2020, the generous legacy gift from former Wellington GP, author, and alumnus Roger Ridley-Smith enabled Wai-te-ata Press to publish a Persian bilingual edition of *Ōrongohau—Best New Zealand Poems 2017*. This was the first Persian bilingual translation of New Zealand contemporary poetry published in Aotearoa and was translated by PhD candidates Fahim Afarinasadi, Nastaran Arjomandi, and Mohsen Kafi. Out of the original 25 poems selected by former New Zealand poet laureate Selina Tusitala Marsh, the translators chose 10 that would best highlight the aural and visual beauty of the Persian language and the rich cross-cultural connections between past and present, tradition, and innovation.

The result is a beautiful edition with a cover designed by Iranian illustrator Niloofar Arjomandi, handbound in a dos-à-dos (back-to-back) style that combines ideas of traditional Persian book structures, fonts, and couplet layouts with contemporary publishing conventions. It continues the tradition of bilingual publications from Wai-te-ata Press, thanks to the generosity of Roger Ridley-Smith.

“I am absolutely thrilled with the bequest, which expands the repertoire of creative publications in translation and provides an opportunity to collaborate with the University’s PhD candidates in a rewarding cross-cultural enterprise,” Wai-te-ata Press printer Associate Professor Sydney J. Shep said.

Roger, who passed away in 2019, completed a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in French, graduating from the University in 2007 with First Class Honours. He was passionate about language and creative writing and, after retiring, he did some work as a translator. He also published two novels in his lifetime, *I’m Not Here for the Money* and *Rough House*.

If you would like to talk about leaving a gift in your will, contact Rosalene Fogel at [rosalene.fogel@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:rosalene.fogel@vuw.ac.nz) or +64 4 463 6030.





# YOUR PHILANTHROPY, YOUR IMPACT

## WHAT IF ...?

The *What if ...?* philanthropic giving campaign was launched in 2019. The campaign asks you to imagine the change your gift can make, offering the opportunity for you to contribute to various programmes and projects split across five themed areas of interest: sustainability and the environment, creativity, health and wellbeing, business and innovation, and student experience.

As you will see on the following pages, the *What if ...?* campaign supports research, scholarships, and academic progress right across the University, and you are at the very heart of that.



# YOU HELP CREATE GREAT FUTURES

**Every philanthropic scholarship is part of the Great Futures initiative because every scholarship awarded is an opportunity for students to create great futures for themselves.**

Financial barriers prevent many talented students from achieving their goals. Scholarships are a great way to directly help break down these barriers—they also have an impact far

beyond the financial. Scholarships demonstrate to students that someone believes in them and their potential to succeed.

When you support scholarships, you give students the opportunity to write their own futures.





*Ngā Hoe a Kupe Pathfinder Scholarship recipients 2020.*

## NGĀ HOE A KUPE PATHFINDER SCHOLARSHIPS

**In 2020, the groundwork was laid so more young people can follow their dreams of university educations and better futures through access to scholarships and support to help them reach their full potential.**

Ngā Hoe a Kupe Pathfinder Scholarships are an exciting initiative aimed at increasing university participation and success for students from under-represented groups in the Wellington area. They provide guaranteed financial support and academic mentoring for the duration of each student's undergraduate degree, plus accommodation in a catered hall for the first year of study.

As well as removing financial barriers, the programme focuses on the students' wellbeing and personal experience. Each student is required to fulfil some compulsory elements to remain eligible, such as participation in Wellington Plus—the University's leadership development programme. As the Ngā Hoe a Kupe Pathfinder Scholarships programme progresses, previous years' students will become mentors for the new cohort of recipients each year.

The Victoria University of Wellington Foundation has backed this programme by providing seed funding alongside your generous support, and 12 young women received scholarships to begin study under the scholarships programme at the start of Trimester 1, 2021.

"Our aim is that, with your help, we will be able to offer 10 of these scholarships each year and have significant impact on some of the most deserving students in the Wellington region. By giving generously to this programme, you contribute to realising the full potential of students from our local communities," said Gail Ah-Hi, equity scholarships programme manager.



## JOYCE FISHER CHARITABLE TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

**Six aspiring secondary school principals are reaping the benefits of a generous gift of \$100,000 from the Joyce Fisher Charitable Trust, allowing them to work towards a Master of Secondary School Leadership (MSSL).**

The course is the only one of its kind in New Zealand and allows students to develop the tools they need to solve various issues they are likely to face as a secondary school manager, such as educational leadership, strategic planning, and legal and governance matters. Students must be nominated by their secondary school in order to be considered for a place.

This type of course is normally funded by the participant's school, so this generous gift from the trust has opened up a world of possibility for the six scholarship recipients, who all come from lower decile secondary schools in South Auckland that would have been unable to finance this opportunity for their aspiring leaders.

Despite the turmoil of the COVID-19 pandemic, students were able to commence their study in mid-2020 because much of the teaching and learning is done online or on the job.

Students on the course have found that not only does their participation in the MSSL benefit their own personal growth and experience, but it also has wider implications for their schools.

"Through the professional readings, I have explored several modifications in my leadership practices, including explicitly working to listen more than talk," said Maria Coyne, one of the scholarship recipients.

"I can model a professional growth journey to my colleagues and motivate them to also take on challenges like this. And I have found I am able to share my knowledge in support of our principal's vision for the school.

"I would like to thank the Joyce Fisher trust for the support this scholarship has provided for me."

Joyce Fisher Charitable Trust general manager Geoff Burgess said, "The trust is delighted to be a part of this partnership and is proud to be supporting the careers of these six ambitious students. School leadership can make a huge difference to student progress and the future of our young people."

*Master of Secondary School Leadership students.*



# HOLOCAUST-RELATED-STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP FIRST IN NEW ZEALAND

**The Foundation received a generous gift from the Raye Freedman Blumenthal Trust that will support Master's-level research in Holocaust-related studies at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington.**

A first of its kind in New Zealand, the postgraduate scholarship, funded for three years, is open to students in any field of study relating to the Holocaust.

The Raye Freedman Blumenthal Trust was established by Mrs Freedman in 2004 as a gift to the people of New Zealand for welcoming her and the Blumenthal family to this country.

“As a young Jewish woman, Raye was raised to pursue mitzvot, or good deeds, so the establishment of this scholarship is a fitting way to celebrate and remember Raye,” said Stephen Katz, chair of the trust.

“We are grateful and delighted to be partnering with the Raye Freedman Blumenthal Trust to support Master's research in Holocaust studies. This scholarship will help a Master's student generate new knowledge and reinforce once more our collective commitment to combat the threat posed by denial and falsification of history.”

**Giacamo Lichtner**

Associate Professor, School of History







## MIDWIFERY SCHOLARSHIP INVESTS IN HEALTHY FUTURE

**The World Health Organization designated 2020 its official International Year of the Nurse. The importance of nurses and midwives has never been in question, but in the year of a global pandemic, nurses and other frontline health workers were front and centre in all our lives.**

In 2020, the Todd family—already supporters of the Wellington Faculty of Health through the Lady Todd Memorial Prize in Nursing and Midwifery—made a very generous gift that will fund the Todd Family Bachelor of Midwifery Scholarship supporting a student throughout the duration of the four-year Bachelor of Midwifery.

Education changes lives, and through philanthropic gifts such as this, we can invest in the students of today to become the health leaders of tomorrow.

One student who has already benefited from a scholarship to study midwifery is Anahera Olsen Ngatai, who said, “Midwifery isn’t just about mothers and babies—it’s about community, family, and culture. Receiving this scholarship has made the Bachelor of Midwifery accessible to me. It has relieved some of the financial burden that comes with studying, but also makes me feel like someone believes in me, and that I can achieve and succeed in this course.”

## ACHIEVEMENTS OF SKILLED MIGRANTS RECOGNISED

**Many migrants and people from refugee backgrounds arrive in New Zealand from professional careers in their country of origin but may need to improve their communication skills in order to fully succeed in New Zealand workplaces.**

In 2020, project management consultant Youssef Mourra established a prize to support and encourage students on the Workplace Communication Programme for Skilled Migrants. The \$1,000 prize is given for the best essay on the migrant's experience of assimilation and separation as a minority entering a new culture.

"I had been volunteering with this programme for nearly a decade through the Rotary Club of Wellington, and I always have great conversations with the skilled migrants, trying to understand what level of integration, assimilation, or adaptation was the right amount for them and how they came to that decision," Youssef said.

The programme, which has run at the University since 2005, aims to help migrants improve their job prospects as well as provide them with support from mentors and career development advisers.

Youssef moved to New Zealand from Australia in 2003 with his New Zealand wife, and knows many people, including his own mother, who would have benefited from access to a course like this when they first moved to a new country.

The inaugural prize was awarded in Trimester 1, 2020 to Amal Alsheemy, who said the win "came right on time to lift our spirits and make us more optimistic about the future".

"The prize allowed us to reflect on our journey as migrants and realise the real value behind this journey and how to make it a meaningful one. I believe all the applicants were winners in that sense."

Raminder Anand was the recipient of the prize in Trimester 2, 2020.

Course coordinator Nicky Riddiford, who has taught the programme since it launched, said, "Youssef has contributed to the programme for many years, including as a guest lecturer, guest interviewer, and mentor. He has also employed one of our skilled migrant graduates.

"The Mourra Prize acknowledges and recognises the challenges involved in navigating a new culture, identity, and society, and skilled migrants' journeys and transformation along the way. It also gives value to the skills, insight, and huge depth of experience the awardee brings. It is a very generous gesture from someone who has experienced being a migrant and understands the aspirations and investment of skilled migrants coming to New Zealand."









# YOUR PHILANTHROPIC GIFTS REACH RIGHT ACROSS THE UNIVERSITY

## SUPPORTING PASIFIKA SUCCESS AT LAW SCHOOL

**The generous support of the Michael and Susan Borrin Foundation is funding a groundbreaking study, driven by Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington, on improving Pasifika legal education in Aotearoa.**

The Borrin Foundation has awarded \$230,000 for a collaborative project, to be led by Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Pasifika) Associate Professor Hon. Luamanuvao Dame Winnie Laban, to explore the themes of equality, belonging, and authority in law schools at New Zealand universities. The project seeks to bring together academics, students, graduates, legal practitioners, and policymakers from across the country to take coordinated action to identify the barriers to Pasifika students in law schools and recommend interventions for change.

“Pacific peoples are a dynamic and talented group, yet they are consistently under-represented in law programmes in New Zealand at undergraduate, Honours, and postgraduate levels. We have some wonderful examples of Pacific people who have excelled and reached the top jobs in law, but we have a long way to go to ensure we are systematically removing the barriers to success. This study will help us identify how we can best support Pasifika to not only survive at law school, but thrive in the legal profession,” said Dame Winnie.

One of the aims of the project is to create a collaborative research hub with Pasifika voices at its centre, to provide a platform for multidisciplinary talanoa (conversations) among leaders in different fields.

As part of the project, a series of virtual and in-person fono (meetings) will be held throughout the country to listen to the experiences of current and former law students, as well as law graduates—those who became lawyers and those who chose other careers.



## ART GIFT CONTINUES BEAGLEHOLE LEGACY

**In 2020, the University's art collection was enhanced by a generous donation of two pieces of art gifted by Elsie and J.C. Beaglehole and Tim and Helen Beaglehole.**

The artworks, *Tasman Bay 1928* by Toss Woollaston and *The White Chateau* by Frances Hodgkins, carry on the long-standing relationship between the Beaglehole family and the University's art collection.

J.C. Beaglehole, an internationally acclaimed historian, and his son Tim, a university teacher but also an administrator and university chancellor post-retirement, were instrumental in building the prestigious collection.

J.C. Beaglehole first bought art for the staff common room in 1942. This initiative was significantly broadened by a decision that art be bought for the University's public spaces. Between 1963 and 1995, Tim bought works of art that would enhance the University's environment for those who study and work there.

The two most recent pieces gifted by the family are very much in keeping with the University policy, established sometime in the 1960s or 70s, to build up an art collection from 'a representative group of New Zealand contemporary artworks for a student audience'.

"The Woollaston and the Hodgkins were gifted to the University in the spirit of Elsie Beaglehole, who believed *The White Chateau* should be able to be seen by a broader audience than just one family. Now housed within the University collection, both pieces are available for loan to other institutions and exhibitions and can be in constant public view," said Helen Beaglehole.

*Tim Beaglehole in front of a painting of his father, J.C. Beaglehole.*





## ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH LAW PROJECTS

**A new philanthropic fund, established by the Environmental Law Initiative (ELI) Trust, is allowing staff and students at the University to conduct research on environmental law topics in four very different areas.**

In 2020, research grants were awarded by the ELI Trust to Professor Catherine Iorns Magallanes, Faculty of Law; Dr Ocean Mercier, Head of School at Te Kawa a Māui; Dr Sarah Monod de Froideville from the School of Social and Cultural Studies; and Law tutor Jonathon Sylvester.

Each of the four projects meet the trust's aims to make a positive difference to the protection of New Zealand ecosystems and biodiversity through applying and improving New Zealand environmental law.

This partnership is a great example of how important philanthropy is to the University. Without relationships such as this, research projects of the type being funded by the ELI Trust would be unfeasible.

Jasmine Cox, who is working alongside Professor Iorns Magallanes on her project, said, "I am so excited and honoured as a student to be part of this research project. This scholarship enables students to use skills they've been learning for years, alongside an academic, to contribute to a tangible project. It's an opportunity we seldom get at university. It will also allow me to use the summer to continue developing research skills over the break and learn about something I am truly passionate about—something that might have a significant impact."



## GENEROUS GIFT SECURES CHAIR

**The Grace Memorial Trust has generously gifted \$1.2 million to the University to support the Diana Unwin Chair in Restorative Justice.**

Based in the Wellington School of Business and Government (WSBG), the Chair was established in January 2014 thanks to financial support from the late Diana Unwin, founder of the Grace Memorial Trust. This most recent donation, which the Foundation has agreed to match, means the role will continue to be supported far into the future.

“The Certificate in Restorative Justice offered at the University is currently the only qualification in New Zealand to cover restorative justice practice across the criminal justice, education, health, social welfare, and human resources sectors. As restorative justice interventions become more common, there will be an ongoing need for skilled and qualified practitioners, so this generous gift is not only extremely welcome but also very timely,” said Professor Ian Williamson, former pro-vice-chancellor and dean at the WSBG.

Restorative justice gives victims and survivors of crime a voice. It provides a safe space for them to come face to face with the offender and explain the impact the crime has had on them.

It holds the offender to account for what they have done and helps them to take responsibility and make amends, for which the victim or survivor has the opportunity to contribute to a plan of action.

“The opportunity to come face to face and talk about the effect someone’s offending has had on the victim or survivor of a crime can be incredibly empowering for both the victim and the offender. It can be an incredibly empowering and positive experience for all parties,” Professor Williamson said.

The Grace Memorial Trust was established in 1992 and its giving has mainly been focused on anti-violence, social justice, and peace. Diana was an early supporter of dispute resolution, prison reform and, later, the process of restorative justice.

*Vice-Chancellor Grant Guilford, Chris Marshall, Jennifer Gill, and Professor Ian Williamson.*





# NEW SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2020

**Anitawaru Climate Scholarship**

**Cammick Scholarship**

**Deen Welfare Trust Scholarship**

**Frank Healy Scholarship in Law**

**George Pirouet Postgraduate Scholarship  
in Latin American Studies**

**Jeremy Commons and David Carson-Parker  
Centre for Musical Research Scholarship**

**Joyce Fisher Master of Secondary School  
Leadership Scholarships**

**Luamanuvao Dame Winnie Laban  
Pasifika Business Postgraduate Degree  
Scholarship**

**Te Ao Mārama / Le Ao Malama—First  
Light Māori and Pasifika Futures in Law  
Scholarship**

**Margaret Kate Parker Scholarship**

**Ngāti Kahungunu Scholarship**

**Paul Morris Scholarship in Religion**

**Raye Freedman Scholarship in Holocaust  
Related Studies**

**Rob Cameron Memorial Postgraduate  
Scholarship**

**Robin Oliver Tax Policy Scholarship**

**Todd Family Nursing and Midwifery  
Scholarship**

**Wetland Care New Zealand Scholarship**

**Weta Digital MDT Scholarship**





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## VICTORIA BENEFACTORS' CIRCLE

The Victoria Benefactors' Circle was established in 2012 to acknowledge the University's most significant donors and sponsors.

Benefactors' Circle members have given private donations of \$10,000 or more during their lifetime, or organisational sponsorship totalling \$50,000 or more.

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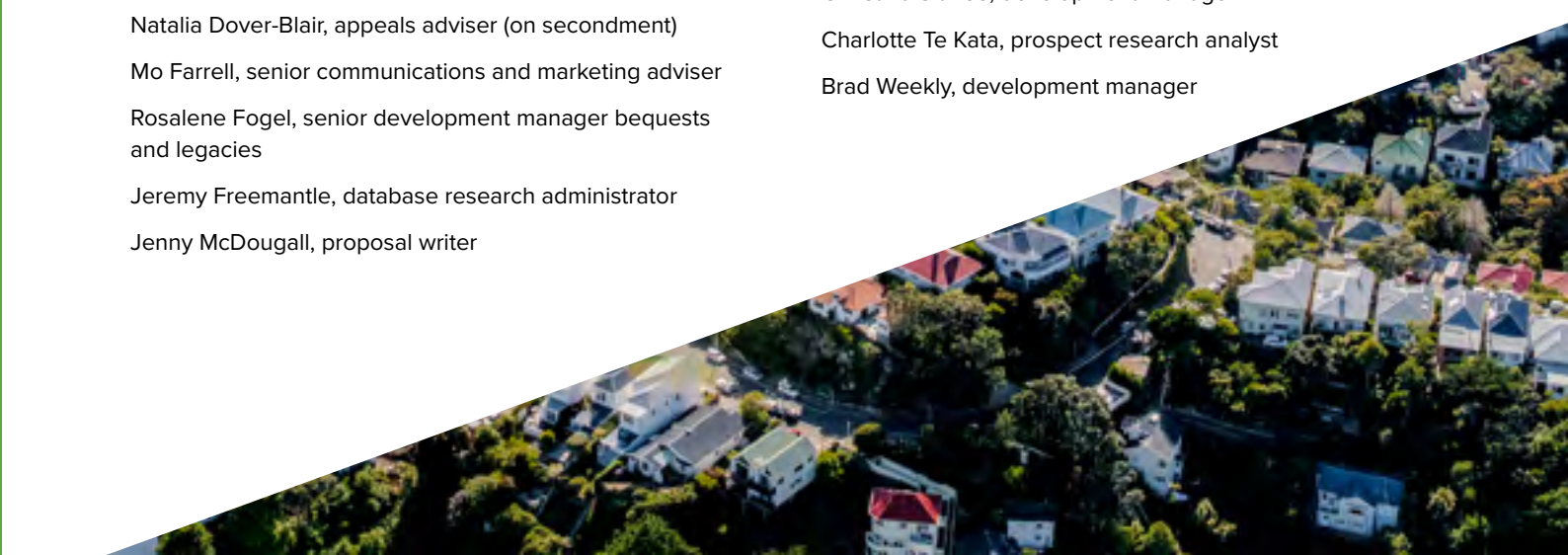
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