



VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF
WELLINGTON
TE HERENGA WAKA

GRADUATION

DECEMBER 2023



INTRODUCTION

Congratulations to our graduates

After years of hard work, you have completed your studies and are graduating from Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand’s globally ranked capital city university. You should be very proud of your achievements.

I’m especially pleased to be able to celebrate with you in person after the unique circumstances we found ourselves in over the past few years. Graduation is a time of celebration and reflection—the chance to mark what you have achieved and consider where your accomplishments might lead. We celebrate this milestone with you and acknowledge the hard work and perseverance that have brought you here today.

Today is also an opportunity to recognise the contribution made by families, whānau, and friends to your success. On behalf of the University, I thank them for everything they have done to support you.

Your qualification provides you with a platform to success, in life and in your chosen field. As well as gaining a world-class education, you have developed as a person in ways that may not immediately be obvious, but which will reveal themselves in the years to come. Your ability to learn, to question, to collaborate, and to lead are just as important as the knowledge you have gained.

Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington is proud to have played a part in providing graduates who will drive the economy, lead thinking on major environmental and scientific issues, use creativity and innovation to generate new ideas, and enrich our society through the arts. We hope you have been inspired to contribute in your own way to a better world.

Today’s ceremony is the end of one journey but, in many ways, it marks the first step in many others, and we look forward to you staying in touch with the University. On behalf of the entire university community, please accept my warmest congratulations and best wishes for wherever those journeys may lead.



John Allen
Chancellor

TE TANGI PUORO AND HAKA PŌHIRI



Te Kapa Haka o Te Herenga Waka

Te tangi puoro, the opening call, is followed by a series of haka to welcome Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington’s graduates into the auditorium and to acknowledge their families.

The opening moments of the graduation ceremony give us time to pause and reflect. The call of the pūtātara and karanga ceremonially call forth our graduates to acknowledge their achievements.

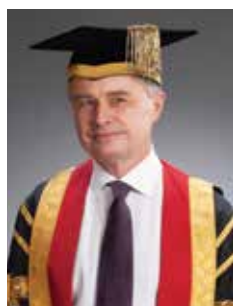
Before the conception of the world, the conception of life, there is nothing ... and from nothing develops darkness.

Only in the womb of darkness can be heard the faint creaking and waning of sound.

Sound is the recognition that there is movement!

Movement is the recognition that there is life!

CEREMONIAL OFFICE HOLDERS



Chancellor

John Allen LLB *Wgtn*

John Allen is an experienced company director and the chief executive of WellingtonNZ. He chairs the University Council's people and culture committee and the nominations panel, and is a trustee on the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation board. In addition, he is a member of Te Herenga Waka's Wellington Uni-Professional board. Mr Allen is a former chief executive of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the New Zealand Post Group, and the New Zealand Racing Board, and is a former partner in the law firm Rudd Watts & Stone. He was previously co-chair of the Australia New Zealand Leadership Forum as well as a director on a number of boards, including those of Datacom, Kiwibank, the New Zealand International Festival of the Arts, the New Zealand Stroke Foundation, the Nikau Foundation, and Te Papa Tongarewa. Mr Allen is an alumnus of the University and has previously been a visiting lecturer in the Faculty of Law. He received a Distinguished Alumni Award in 2006. Mr Allen was appointed to the University Council in 2018 and assumed the Chancellorship in 2022.



Pro-Chancellor

The Honourable Maryan Street DipTchg ACE, BA BA(Hons) *Wgtn*, MPhil(Hons) *Auck*, AMusTCL

The Honourable Maryan Street was elected Pro-Chancellor of Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington by the University Council in August 2022. She chairs the University's audit and risk committee and sits on the people and culture committee. As a former cabinet minister, Ms Street brings detailed and practical knowledge of government and parliamentary processes to the University. She is also a director on the board of KiwiRail Holdings Limited. She has undertaken a number of international roles, specialising in advancing democratic participation and human rights, and has proven leadership skills in bringing together organisations with competing interests around common goals.



Vice-Chancellor

Professor Nic Smith BEng *Auck*, MA *Oxon*, PhD *Auck*

Professor Nic Smith was appointed Tumu Whakarae—Vice-Chancellor of Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington in late 2022 and began in the role in 2023. Prior to this, Professor Smith held professorial appointments as provost of the Queensland University of Technology, dean of engineering at the University of Auckland, and head of biomedical engineering at King's College London, and was a professor of computational physiology at the University of Oxford. In all these roles, he has continued an active teaching and research practice. This work has focused on the development of unique computational models that have been integrated with patient images and applied in hospitals to improve the diagnosis and treatment of heart disease. Professor Smith has authored more than 170 peer-reviewed journal publications and 350 conference publications and has been the lead author on several patent applications for the development of physiological models for specific clinical applications. He is a fellow of the Royal Society Te Apārangi and Engineering New Zealand.



Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Māori and Engagement)

Professor Rawinia Higgins (Tūhoe) *DipMāori BA Wgtn, PGDipArts MA PhD Otago, CELTA RSA/Cambridge, PFHEA, FRSNZ*

Professor Rawinia Higgins was appointed tumu ahurei—deputy vice-chancellor (Māori) in 2016 and became acting deputy vice-chancellor (engagement) in 2023. She was previously assistant vice-chancellor (Māori research) and head of school for Te Kawa a Māui—School of Māori Studies. Professor Higgins came to Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington as a senior lecturer in 2009 after holding academic positions at the University of Otago for 12 years. Her research expertise is Māori language revitalisation and, more specifically, language planning and policy. Professor Higgins is a board member of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand and a member of the Waitangi Tribunal, and has served on a number of governance boards for government and her iwi. In 2018, she was appointed chair and commissioner for Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori, the Māori Language Commission. She is the first woman to hold this role. In 2017, Professor Higgins won the Te Waiti award for te reo Māori and tikanga Māori at the Matariki Awards and, in 2018, she won the Education section of the Wellingtonian of the Year Awards. In 2020, she was awarded the Pou Aronui Award by the Royal Society Te Apārangi for distinguished service to aronui (humanities) over a sustained period of time.



Dean of Te Wāhanga Waihangā-Hoahoa—Wellington Faculty of Architecture and Design Innovation

Professor Robyn Phipps *BBSoc BArch(Hons) Wgtn, PhD Massey*

Professor Robyn Phipps was appointed dean of Te Wāhanga Waihangā-Hoahoa—Wellington Faculty of Architecture and Design Innovation in October 2022. She joined the Faculty as a professor of Building Science in the Wellington School of Architecture in January 2021 and has been head of school since February 2022. An internationally respected researcher in the performance of homes and schools, Professor Phipps is known for her expertise in sustainable, low-carbon, and low-cost solutions for indoor environments that promote wellbeing. She is currently chair of the Ministry of Education's Ventilation Technical Advisory Group for the COVID-19 response, a director of the New Zealand Green Building Council, and a founding member of the New Zealand Indoor Air Quality Research Centre. For her work with the He Kainga Oranga Healthy Housing Research Group, Professor Phipps received the 2014 Prime Minister's Science Research Team Prize and the 2021 Rutherford Medal, and in 2022 she received the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors' Lifetime Achievement Award.



Dean of Ōrauāriki—Wellington School of Business and Government

Professor Jane Bryson *BSc Otago, MSc(Hons) Cant, PhD Wgtn*

Professor Jane Bryson was appointed dean of Ōrauāriki—Wellington School of Business and Government in 2022 after 18 months acting in the role. Prior to this, she was deputy dean and associate dean (research) for the Faculty. Professor Bryson joined Victoria University of Wellington in 1999 after a successful career in human resources and management. Her career and research converge in one overarching concern: how we can facilitate the achievement of human capability through work. Professor Bryson's current areas of research include the investigation of human resource management practices in the context of work and society, multidisciplinary perspectives on people at work, and examining aspirations and influences on workers.



Acting Dean of Te Whānau o Ako Pai— Wellington Faculty of Education

Professor Carmen Dalli *BA(Hons) Malta, MEd Bristol, PhD Wgtn*

Professor Carmen Dalli was appointed acting dean of Te Whānau o Ako Pai—Wellington Faculty of Education in late 2022. She first joined Victoria University of Wellington in 1988, playing a lead role in the establishment of the Institute for Early Childhood Studies in 1995 and serving as its director for many years. Throughout her career, Professor Dalli has influenced policy and practice; notably, she was chair of the ministerial advisory group that developed the 10-Year Early Learning Action Plan for Aotearoa New Zealand (2019–2029). She is a pioneer of research into early childhood education, both within the University and internationally, and is known in particular for her work on pedagogy with children under three, teacher professionalism, and ethical practice within the early childhood care and education sector.



Dean of Te Wāhanga Ahunui Pūkaha— Wellington Faculty of Engineering

Professor Dave Harper *BA(Hons) Otago, MA PhD Cant*

Professor Dave Harper has been dean of Engineering since July 2023. He came to Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington in 1994 as a lecturer in Psychology. In 2012, he was appointed a Fellow of the Association of Psychological Science, and he was promoted to professor in 2013. Professor Harper's research interests are interdisciplinary and have utilised methods from neuroscience, psychological science, and data analytics. His work has been applied to the understanding of human and animal learning processes, attention, decision-making, and memory function. Professor Harper has held many senior leadership roles at the University, including head of the School of Psychology, dean of the Faculty of Science, and pro-vice-chancellor and deputy pro-vice-chancellor of the faculties of Science, Health, Engineering, and Architecture and Design Innovation. He has represented the University on a number of governance boards, including those of the Malaghan Institute of Medical Research, the Maurice Wilkins Centre, and Te Tītoki Mataora—MedTech Research Translator.



Dean of Te Wāhanga Tātai Hauora— Wellington Faculty of Health

Professor Markus Melloh *MD FU Berlin, DMedSc Charité, MPH SSPH+,
PhD Otago, MBA EBS*

Professor Markus Melloh was appointed dean of Te Wāhanga Tātai Hauora—Wellington Faculty of Health in September 2021. He is an international expert in orthopaedics, public health, and digital transformation. He was previously the associate dean research and development and foundation director of the Institute of Health Sciences and a professor of public health at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences. He was deputy director of Zurich University's Digital Health Lab, and a board member of the Zurich Digital Initiative. He is also the founder of a spin-off company working across the sectors of health, physics, engineering, and life sciences, and holds patents from the United States and Europe on dynamic real-time 3D pressure measurement in biological systems. He is also co-chair of the International Task Force on Diagnosis and Management of Lumbar Spinal Stenosis that won the International Society for the Study of the Lumbar Spine Clinical Prize in 2016.



Dean of Te Wāhanga Aronui— Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Professor Sarah Leggott BA MA PhD Auck

Professor Sarah Leggott was appointed dean of Te Wāhanga Aronui—Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in 2019. From March 2022 to July 2023, she was acting pro-vice-chancellor of that Faculty and Te Whānau o Ako Pai—Wellington Faculty of Education.

Professor Leggott joined the University in 1998 as its first lecturer in Spanish and has held various leadership roles, including as deputy dean, associate dean (research), and head of the School of Languages and Cultures. As professor of Spanish, her research expertise is in the field of Spanish literary and cultural studies, and she has published extensively on works by women writers related to the Spanish Civil War, Franco's dictatorship, and Spain's transition to democracy.



Associate Dean (Students) of Te Wāhanga Aronui—Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Associate Professor Diana Burton BA(Hons) Wgtn, PhD Lond

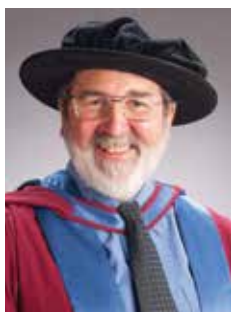
Associate Professor Diana Burton has been the associate dean (students) of Te Wāhanga Aronui—Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences since 2020. She also teaches Classics, Greek, and Latin and is the curator of the University's Classics Museum. She is interested in creative uses of 3D printing of antiquities, and is part of an ongoing 3D printing project with Te Wāhanga Waihangā-Hoahoa—Wellington Faculty of Architecture and Design Innovation, in which items from the museum are scanned and turned into 3D prints. Her research explores Greek art, myth, religion, and death, and the areas in which they intersect. She is working on a monograph on the god Hades and on the second volume of *Corpus Vasorum Antiquorum, New Zealand*.



Dean of Te Kauhanganui Tātai Ture— Faculty of Law

Professor Lee Godden BA(Hons) MA Melb, BLS Macquarie, PhD Griffith

Professor Lee Godden joined Te Kauhanganui Tātai Ture—Faculty of Law as dean in November 2022. She is a leading researcher in environmental law and its intersection with Indigenous peoples' rights to land and resources, as well as property law and legal theory. She has been an academic at the University of Melbourne for the past two decades, leading many research programmes during this time including projects involving Māori law and the Treaty of Waitangi in Aotearoa New Zealand. She was an Australian law reform commissioner from 2013 to 2015, leading a review of native title claims under the Native Title Act 1993. She is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law and of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia. She is widely published, has held visiting professor positions internationally, and has been a member of numerous expert panels and advisory groups.



Associate Dean—Academic (Programme Development) of Te Wāhanga Pūtaiao—Wellington Faculty of Science

Professor Paul Teesdale-Spittle BSc(Hons) PhD *Nott*

Professor Paul Teesdale-Spittle has been the associate dean—academic (programme development) in Te Wāhanga Pūtaiao—Wellington Faculty of Science since 2019. He started working at the University's School of Biological Sciences as a senior lecturer in 2000, and became a professor in 2023. He is an interdisciplinary researcher across biochemistry, medicinal chemistry, oncology, organic chemistry, and pharmacology. His work has been applied to developing a detailed mechanistic understanding of the mode of action of biologically active compounds and the design, synthesis, and evaluation of selective anticancer compounds. He was head of the School of Biological Sciences from 2006 to 2010 and the director of the Centre for Biodiscovery from 2015 to 2018. He is known for his active external engagement with professional and disciplinary communities worldwide for research and educational activities, and is a subject specialist reviewer for Pacificchem, the largest chemistry conference in the Pacific region.



Te Ripowai Higgins (Tūhoe) QSM, DipMāori *Wgtn*, MPhil *NU Malaysia*,
MA (Honoris Causa) *UKL*

Te Ripowai Higgins has taught and served students, staff, and visitors at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington for 25 years, first as a lecturer in social work, then as a senior lecturer and head of school of Te Kawa a Māui—School of Māori Studies. She then took up the role of ruahine, the female cultural leader, and then taurima, the marae manager of Te Herenga Waka. She has been involved in Māori language initiatives since the 1970s, including Te Ataarangi (a community-based programme for adult Māori language learning), Te Ūpoko o Te Ika Māori Radio, and Te Māngai Pāho (the Māori Broadcasting Funding Agency). She has been a long-standing Māori adviser to the New Zealand Law Commission and other government agencies, and served as one of the kaumātua for former Governor-General Dame Patsy Reddy.



Dr Ben Walker (Ngāti Raukawa) BCA(Hons) MCA PhD *Wgtn*

Dr Ben Walker is a lecturer in organisational behaviour at Ōrauāriki—Wellington School of Business and Government. His teaching and research focuses on the 'people side' of work and management. He is the course coordinator of the Introduction to Management course, through which he introduces more than 1,000 students each year to the study of management. His current research explores the origins and outcomes of individuals' performance-based identities, people's hidden assumptions about the nature of expertise, and the negative psychological processes connected with professional success.



A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington’s graduation ceremonies are held at the Michael Fowler Centre and at Te Herenga Waka marae. Graduation at the marae was instigated by Professor Hirini Moko Mead, the University’s founding Professor of Māori Studies. The marae ceremony is an opportunity for graduates and their whānau to acknowledge and celebrate the Māori dimension of their student lives in a Māori setting through the application of tikanga Māori.

Graduation ceremonies combine tikanga Māori and academic tradition that dates back to the twelfth century, when the first universities appeared. The words ‘university’ and ‘degree’ are both derived from Latin, the language used by scholars in the Middle Ages. The Latin term *universitas* meant a guild or union, formed by the ‘masters’ (MAs) who held a licence to teach.

‘Degree’ and ‘graduate’ come from *gradus*, meaning step. The first step taken by students was admission to a Bachelor degree; the second and final step made them a Master and won them admission to the *universitas*.

In the old days, the new Master had to deliver an inaugural lecture, take the whole *universitas* of Masters out to dinner, and preside over disputations for 40 days. Graduating Masters at the University will be relieved to know that this practice was dispensed with some time ago.

The title of Chancellor was originally that of the Bishop’s secretary. The Bishop had the right to grant licences to teach in his diocese, at a time when the Church held a virtual monopoly on learning, but he tended to depute this job to his Chancellor. Later, the Pope assumed the power to grant licences to teach anywhere, not just in specified dioceses, and the Chancellor conferred degrees on his behalf.

During the Reformation in Britain, Henry VIII took over all the powers of the Pope, including that of granting degrees. Consequently, the Chancellor’s robes are not ecclesiastical, but similar to those worn by the Lord Chancellor of England.

The gowns worn by the graduates and academic staff, however, are fashioned after the dress of the medieval clergy, although those of the Middle Ages were fastened at the front; the fashion for wearing the gowns open at the front resulted from a desire to show off the fine clothes underneath. The hood was also a normal medieval garment, the coloured lining being added a little later. Since the 1600s, the colours of the hoods have been strictly controlled, so that a graduate’s hood colour denotes their university and degree.

CEREMONIAL ROBES



The colours of the graduates' hoods or stoles—ranging from nasturtium to pompadour and peacock green—denote the degree achieved, and are special to Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington.

The official academic dress for graduates attending a ceremony is a gown, hood or stole, and cap. The cap has been defined as a black trencher with a tassel for every degree except Doctor's degrees. Doctorates wear a John Knox cap.

Those attending a ceremony to receive a diploma or a certificate wear a gown and a Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington stole, not the hood and trencher. However, if they already hold a degree, they wear the garments appropriate for that degree. Graduates may, if they wish, embellish their graduation regalia with garments of honour from their cultural traditions.

The University's gowns are modelled on those used at the University of Cambridge. The gown for a Bachelor's degree is the same as for the Cambridge Bachelor of Arts, and those for Master's and Doctor of Philosophy degrees are the same as for a Cambridge Master of Arts. The gown for other Doctor's degrees is as for the Cambridge Master of Arts but is made of scarlet silk or cloth.

The hood for every degree is the same as for the Cambridge Master of Arts. The hood for a Bachelor's degree is lined with coloured silk and bordered with white fur, while the hood for a Bachelor's degree with Honours is lined with coloured silk and edged with white silk, and a Master's hood or stole omits the fur. The stole for a Doctor of Philosophy degree is lined with red silk, and the hood for other Doctor's degrees is made wholly of silk.

HOOD AND STOLE COLOURS

Degree	Colours of hood or stole linings
Applied Finance	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Applied Linguistics	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Applied Statistics	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Architectural Science	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
Architectural Science (Research)	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
Architectural Studies	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
Architecture	Nasturtium
Architecture (Professional)	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
Artificial Intelligence	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Arts	Rose Pink
Biomedical Science	Turquoise
Building Science	Nasturtium/Black stripe
Business Administration	Old Gold
Business (Professional)	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Climate Change Science and Policy	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Clinical Immunology	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Clinical Research	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Commerce	Marigold
Communication	Mauve
Computer Science	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Conservation Biology	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Design	Kenya Red
Design Innovation	Kenya Red/Orange stripe
Design Technology	Kenya Red/Orange stripe
Development Studies	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Drug Discovery and Development	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Education, Education (Teaching)	Peacock Green
Educational Psychology	Peacock Green/Brick Red stripe
e-Government	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Engineering	Pansy
Engineering Practice	Pansy/Cardinal Red stripe
Environmental Science	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Environmental Studies	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Fine Arts (Creative Practice)	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Geographic Information Science	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Global Business	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Global Management	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Global Marketing	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Government	Champagne

Degree	Colours of hood or stole linings
Health	Emerald
Health Care	Emerald/Purple stripe
Health Psychology	Emerald/Peony stripe
Health Research	Emerald/Purple stripe
Indigenous Studies	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Information Management	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Information Studies	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Innovation and Commercialisation	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Intercultural Communication and Applied Translation	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Interior Architecture	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
International Relations	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
International Trade	Pompadour/Purple stripe
Landscape Architecture	Nasturtium/Plum stripe
Laws	Pompadour
Linguistics	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Literature	Rose Pink
Marine Conservation	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Meteorology	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Midwifery	Emerald/Purple stripe
Migration Studies	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Museum and Heritage Practice	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Music	White
Music Therapy	White
Musical Arts	White
New Zealand Studies	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Nursing	Emerald
Nursing Science	Emerald/Purple stripe
Philosophy	Post Office Red
Philosophy, Politics, and Economics	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Political Science	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Professional Accounting	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Professional Business Analysis	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Professional Economics	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Public Administration (Executive)	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Public Management	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Public Policy	Champagne/Tartan Green stripe
Science	Empire Blue
Science in Society	Adonis Blue/White stripe
Secondary School Leadership	Peacock Green/White stripe
Software Development	Pansy/Cardinal Red stripe
Strategic Studies	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Teaching and Learning (Primary or Secondary)	Peacock Green/White stripe
TESOL	Fuchsia/Tartan Green stripe
Tourism Management	French Beige
User Experience Design	Horse Chestnut/Antique Gold stripe
Undergraduate diplomas and certificates	Tartan Green/Indian Yellow stripe

CEREMONY 4

9.30 am, Friday 8 December 2023

Te Hui Whakapūmau

Order of ceremony

Pōhiri (formal welcome)

Te kupu a te Manukura (Chancellor's address)

Conferment of honorary doctorate

Professor Rangī Matamua

Graduation address

Professor Rangī Matamua

Te karanga i ngā kairangi (presentation of PhD graduate to the Chancellor, John Allen)

Ngā taonga a MAI ki Pōneke (MAI ki Pōneke PhD gift presentation)

Te karanga i ngā tauira (presentation of graduates to the Chancellor)

Ngā taonga a Ngāi Tauira (presentation of gifts to the graduates by Ngāi Tauira)

Ruka Te Rangīāhuta Broughton Memorial Award

Dr Wiremu Parker Memorial Award

Te kupu a te tauira (graduate speaker's address)

Kelly Frances Mitchell, Faculty of Law

Karakia whakapūmau (ritual of affirmation)

Karanga whakaū (call of affirmation)

REFERENCES

1	First Class Honours	<i>D</i>	Distinction
2/1	Second Class Honours (first division)	<i>M</i>	Merit
2/2	Second Class Honours (second division)		
3	Third Class Honours		

HE MAIOHA



Te Tumu Herenga Waka

Whakaipupu rā ngā tai o Raukawa

E tō mai nei i ngā waka

Kia ū ki te take o Ahumairangi

Ngā pari kārangaranga e maioha nei e

Piki mai, kake mai, haere mai rā.

Tirohia atu rā ngā whetū

Me ko Matariki e ārau ana

I te matatini ka tere atu

I runga i te tai awatea

Tōia mai ana te tatau o te pō

E whai atu ai tāua

I runga i te tai ahiahi.

Kōkirihiā te pūkāea, hai whakaara

I ngā karanga o te whenua nei

Hai maioha i ngā reanga

Te ara mai nei

Hai waka kawenga i ngā manako

Hai pūmanawa mō ngā wawata Māori.

Ko koutou rā ēnei o ngā taiwiwini

O ngā taiwawana, o ngā taiwhenua

O te motu e kukume mai nei i te paetawhiti

Hai whakaū i aua wawata. Heoi!

Mauri ora ki a koutou e ngā rangatira.



HONORARY DOCTORATE CITATION

Professor Rangi-Anehu Leslie Matamua

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Literature, honoris causa

Professor Rangi Matamua (Tūhoe), FRSNZ, ONZM, is one of the country's most respected academics in the fields of Māori astronomy and star lore. He is currently professor of mātauranga Māori at Massey University's Te Pūtahi-a-Toi—School of Māori Knowledge.

Professor Matamua completed a Bachelor of Arts with Honours and Master of Arts at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington, and went on to complete a Doctor of Philosophy in Māori Studies at Massey University. He then moved to the University of Waikato, where he became professor of Māori and Indigenous studies, before returning to Massey to take up his current role.

He is widely known for his contribution to advancing public knowledge and awareness of Māori astronomy, particularly about Matariki. He chairs the Matariki Advisory Group, which provides advice to the Government around Matariki, and in 2022, was appointed to the newly created position of chief adviser to the Government on Matariki. His work led to a deeper understanding of Matariki in both academic and non-academic realms, and ultimately to Matariki being recognised as a public holiday.

Professor Matamua is one of Aotearoa's top science communicators, and is known for communicating his research in an engaging and accessible way. He travels extensively around the country giving public lectures about Matariki and Māori astronomy. He is committed to sharing his research with a range of communities and through numerous mediums, including books, museum exhibitions, and social media. His work in this area has transformed the public's view of Māori astronomy and the validity of Indigenous science in general.

He is also highly regarded for his research into Māori language development, research, and revitalisation, which has contributed significantly to the wider public's knowledge and understanding of the importance of te reo Māori.

He has won a number of awards in recognition of his extensive research and public engagement, including the 2019 Prime Minister's Science Communication Prize, making him the first Māori scientist to be awarded the prize. The Royal Society Te Apārangi awarded him the Callaghan Medal for science communication and elected him as a Fellow of their Academy in 2020. He was appointed an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Māori astronomy in the 2023 New Year Honours. He was also named New Zealander of the Year in the 2023 Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year Awards.

Professor Matamua is committed to raising the profile of Māori astronomy and ensuring that traditional Māori knowledge is not lost. His scholarship, engagement, and leadership in these areas make him a fitting recipient of an honorary doctorate.

HE KUPU HAUTOA MŌ TE TOHU KAIRANGI HŌNORE

Ahorangi Rangi-Anehu Leslie Matamua

Tohu Kairangi Mātātuhi, tohu hōnore

Ko Ahorangi Rangi Matamua, nō Tūhoe, tētahi o ngā puna kī o te whare kōkōrangī Māori ki Aotearoa. He Ahorangi ia o Te Pūtahi-a-Toi ki te whare wānanga o Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa.

I tutuki i a Ahorangi Matamua i tōna tohu paetahi mē tōna tohu paerua ki Te Herenga Waka. Nō muri mai ka haere ia ki te Whare Wānanga o Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa ka whakatutuki i tōna tohu kairangi. Kātahi ka hūnuku ki te Whare Wānanga o Waikato, i reira ka whakatairangatia i roto i ngā tau ki te tūranga Ahorangi ki roto i Te Pua Wānanga ki te Ao, ā nā wai rā, ka hoki anō ia ki Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa.

He manu whakataka pōkai a Ahorangi Matamua ki te whakapuea ake i te whare kōkōrangī Māori, otirā, i a Matariki ki te marea. Ko ia te kākā kura o te rōpū tohutohu ki te Kāwanatanga mō ngā āhuatanga e pā ana ki a Matariki. I te tau 2022, ka whakatūria a Rangi hei piki kōtuku matua ki te kāwanatanga mō ngā āhuatanga e whai wāhi ana ki a Matariki. Nā āna mahi kōkiri i ngā kōrero mō Matariki i mārāma ake ai te ao mātauranga me te hunga kei waho i te kāhui mātauranga, me te aha anō hoki, koia ka mairanga ake te Hararei Tūmatanui o te Kāhui o Matariki.

Ko Ahorangi Matamua tētahi o ngā tino kōkō tataki pūtaiao o Aotearoa ki te whakawhiwhiti whakaaro, ka mutu, ki te whakapāho i ana mahi rangahau kia tuwhera ai ki te katoa. Hāereere ai a Rangi ki ngā tōpito katoa o te motu ki te kauhau i ngā kōrero mō Matariki me te whare kōkōrangī Māori. E ngākau nui ana ia ki te tuku i ana mahi rangahau ki ngā tini tāngata mā roto mai i ngā pukapuka, i ngā whakaaturanga ki ngā whare tongarewa, tae noa ki ngā pae pāpāho pāpori. Nā āna mahi i takahuri ai ngā whakaaro o te marea ki te whare kōkōrangī Māori, ka mutu, ki te tūturutanga o te mātauranga Māori o ngā iwi taketake.

He tokī mata kikōha hoki a Ahorangi Matamua mō āna mahi rangahau ki te whakawhanake me te whakarauora i te reo Māori. Nā āna mahi i tahuri ai ngā whakaaro o ngāi tūmatanui ki te hirahiratanga o te reo Māori.

He nui ngā tohu whakamānawa kua riro nei i a ia mō te hōhonutanga o āna mahi rangahau me āna mahi tūmatanui. I te tau 2019, ko Rangi te Māori tuatahi i whakawhiwhia ki te tohu pūtaiao a te Pirimia. I te tau 2020, i whakawhiwhia ia e Te Apārangi ki te tohu Callaghan Medal mō āna mahi pāorooro pūtaiao, ā, ka kōwhiria hei mema mō te whare makatea o Te Apārangi. Nō te tau 2023, ka whakarewatia a Rangi ki Te Tohu Āpiha a te Karauna mō āna mahi ki te whakamana i te whare kōkōrangī Māori. I tohua anō hoki a Rangi ki te tohu Mātāpuputu o te Tau i Ngā Tohu Pou Kōhure o Aotearoa.

E manawa tītī ana a Ahorangi Matamua ki te riariaki i te whare kōkōrangī Māori ka whakairotia ngā kōrero kia mau, kia ita. He kura huna, he kura māhora, he kura e tika ana kia whakapūmautia ki te iho kairangi.

Doctoral degree research summaries

Ririwai Benjamin Fox

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

Thesis title: 'Poipoiā te Kākanō i Ruia Mai i Rangiatēa: Māori Cultural Embeddedness—From Theory to Measure'

Supervisors: Professor Paul Jose and Dr Tia Neha

Calvin Nathan Quigley

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Marine Biology

Thesis title: 'National Scale Genetic and Oceanographic Population Connectivity in New Zealand Kaimoana Invertebrates'

Supervisors: Professor Jonathan Gardner, Professor Moninya Roughan, and Professor Andrew Jeffs

Presentation of graduates

Graduates may be called on stage in a different order from that listed in this programme.

*Doctor of
Philosophy*

Fox, Ririwai Benjamin (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa, Ngāti Porou), *in Psychology*
Quigley, Calvin Nathan, *in Marine Biology*

Wellington Faculty of Education

*Master of
Education*

Funatsu, Naoko, *M*

Wellington School of Business
and Government

*Executive Master of
Business Administration*

Hobrough, Nathan Allan (Ngāti Whakaue (Te Arawa), Te Ātiawa (Taranaki), Te Ātiawa (Te Waipounamu / South Island)), *D*

*Master of
Secondary School Leadership*

Hawkins, Anthony Jerrard (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Ngāti Tamaterā), *M*

*Graduate Diploma of
Teaching (Early Childhood
Education)*

Kang, Sixing

*Master of
Professional Accounting*

Li, Ke

Wellington Faculty of Health

*Bachelor of
Commerce*

Johnson, Alexander Devon Enoka (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa)

Tang, Xiaoyu

*Master of
Health Psychology*

Bueno Ormerod, Fabiane, *D*

Postgraduate Diploma in Health

Vincent, Michelle Ann (Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Pūkenga, Ngāti Ranginui)

Wellington Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Master of Arts

King Hunt, Alan Rangitāne (Ngāti Hauā (Waikato)), *in Māori Studies*

Webb, Danielle Mihi Judith (Ngāpuhi, Te Rarawa), *in Sociology, M*

Master of Fine Arts (Creative Practice)

Ruhe-Apolo, Poe Tiare (Ngāpuhi), *in Theatre, D*

Master of Indigenous Studies

Jones, Natalie Victoria (Ngāti Apa), *D*

King, Martin Fraser Hapeta (Ngā Ruahine, Te Aitanga a Hauiti, Te Ātiawa (Wellington)), *M*

Nahona, Shontelle Te Aue Harata (Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāti Toarangatira (Wellington)), *D*

Pōtiki-Clune, Kate-Lynne (Ngāti Porou, Tapuika (Te Arawa), Waikato), *D*

Thomas, Alyssa Grace (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Wai), *D*

Ward, Kody Alex Iti (Ngāti Maniapoto, Taranaki), *D*

Graduate Diploma in Arts

Holtman, Amy, *in Art History*

Bachelor of Arts

Blair-Smith, Ayla Tamara (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Maniapoto, Tainui)

Burling, Elly May (Te Ātiawa (Te Waipounamu / South Island), Te Ātiawa (Wellington))

Caddie-Koia, Miria Te Maumahara Naera (Ngāti Porou)

Evison, Roisín Annette (Ngāti Porou)

Fox-Reo, Peti i te Rangi (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Ngāti Rangi, Ruapehu/Whanganui)

Lawlor, Mason Partington (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Ngāti Maru (Marutūahu), Ngāti Pāhauwera)

Mitchell, Kelly Frances (Waikato)

Pohio, Thomas Alan (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga)

Scruton-Nepe Apatu, Paige Kaumoana Rachel (Ngā Rauru, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tamatea, Rangitāne (Māhia-Wairarapa))

Tucker, Larissa Ellen (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Rangi, Ruapehu/Whanganui, Te Āti Haunui-a-Pāpārangī)

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Bachelor of Laws

Mitchell, Kelly Frances (Waikato)

Tanuvasa-Kamo, Leiloa Pirrie (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Mutunga (Taranaki), Te Ātiawa (Taranaki))

Te Hira, Maia Suie Te Irirangi (Ngāi Takoto, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa, Te Rarawa)

Tucker, Larissa Ellen (Ngāi Tahu / Kāi Tahu, Ngāti Rangi, Ruapehu/Whanganui, Te Āti Haunui-a-Pāpārangī)

Wellington Faculty of Science

Master of Conservation Biology

Kaonohi, Pene Palaau Tehaurii, *M*

Master of Science

Barclay, Jaye Sonoko Manaia Coriander Anemone (Ngāti Apa (Rangitikei), Ngāti Hauiti), 1, *in Marine Biology*

Du, He, *in Cross-cultural Psychology, M*

Matthews, Navana Joshua Nia (Ngāpuhi, Tūhoe), *in Science in Society, M*

Walford, Shanea Rose Marie (Ngāti Porou), 1, *in Ecology and Biodiversity*

*Postgraduate Diploma in
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Clifford, Carrie Joyce (Kāti Māmoe, Ngāi Tahu /
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Island))

*Bachelor of
Biomedical Science*

Te Awhe, Miiraa Tomairangi (Ngā Rauru, Te Āti
Haunui-a-Pāpārangī)

*Bachelor of
Science*

McDonald-Gray, Peyton Alexandra (Ngāti
Raukawa (Horowhenua), Ngāti Tukorehe,
Rangitāne (Te Waipounamu / South Island))

Tanuvasa-Kamo, Leiloa Pirrie (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti
Mutunga (Taranaki), Te Ātiawa (Taranaki))



