COUNCIL Public Meeting Agenda



Te Kaunihera o Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha

EMBARGOED UNTIL 10AM WEDNESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2022

Agenda

DATE Wednesday 2 February 2022

TIME 11:00am

VENUE Council Chamber, Matariki

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1. APOLOGIES

2. REGISTER OF INTERESTS

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3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Every Council Member has an obligation to declare any actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interest with any University of Canterbury activities and to ensure that such conflicts of interest are noted and managed appropriately.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. Confirming minutes of meeting held on 24 November 2021

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5. MATTERS ARISING

6. FROM THE CHANCELLOR

6.1. Chancellor's Meetings

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- 6.2. Updated Meeting Schedule 2022 (includes extra Council meeting on 20 April and change of ARC meeting from 21 to 28 March)
- 6.3. Degrees Conferred in Absentia

7. FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

7.1. Monthly Report

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8. PUBLIC EXCLUDED MEETING

Motion by the Chancellor for resolution to exclude the public pursuant to s48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Item on Public Excluded Agenda	General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
4.0	Minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2021, held with the public excluded.	These items concern matters that were previously dealt with during proceedings of Council from which the public was excluded.	Refer to previous minutes
5.0	Matters arising from those minutes	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
6.0 6.1	From the Chancellor Council Work Plan 2022	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
7.0	From the Vice-Chancellor		
7.1	Emeritus Professor Nomination	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
7.2	Psychology Building Renaming Recommendation	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
8.0 8.1	Arbitration Matter Arbitration Matter	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University	7(f)(i)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
9.0	Health, Safety &		
9.1	Wellbeing Executive Committee Meetings	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
9.2	Covid Vaccination Certificate Mandate & Policy	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
9.3	HSW Report	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
9.4	HSW – Other Matters	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
10.0 10.1	Audit, Risk & Insurance Audit New Zealand – Final Audit Plan for 2022	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
11.0	Etnomos	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
11.0 11.1	Finance 31 December 2021 Consolidated Financial Statements	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)

12.0 12.1	Information Technology IT Transformation Quarterly Update	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
13.0 13.1	Other Items Fraud, Protected Disclosures & Legal Proceedings	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.2	Trust Amalgamation	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.3	Honours & Appointments Committee Terms of Reference	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.4	Council Appointments	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.5	Notification of Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor Elections	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.6	Plagiarism of Thesis	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.7	Project Creative Economy (PCE) Update	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
13.8	Conferment of Qualifications	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
14.0	Academic Board		
14.0	General Regulation Changes	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
15.0	General Business		
15.1	Council Member – Conflict of Interest	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)

I also move that staff identified by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor as having knowledge relevant to particular matters to be discussed be permitted to remain at this meeting. This knowledge will be of assistance in relation to the matters discussed and is relevant because of their involvement in the development of the reports to Council on these matters.

9. REPORT FROM THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

11. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 2 March 2022 at 11.00am

UC COUNCIL Register of Interests February 2022

Name (Council members)	Date notified	Person and/or organisation with interest	Nature of interest
Sue MCCORMACK	2020	Canterbury Earthquakes Insurance Tribunal	Member
(Chancellor) 2019		Canterbury Museum Trust Board	Trustee
	2009	Dress for Success	Honorary Solicitor
	2017	KiwiRail Holdings Ltd	Director, Deputy Chair
	2017	Swiftpoint Ltd	Trustee Shareholder
	2019	UC Foundation	Ex-officio Trustee
Amy ADAMS	2021	Health NZ Establishment Board	Member
•	2021	Melanoma NZ	Director
	2021	AMDON Farms Limited	Director and Shareholder
	2021	AMDON Investments Limited	Director and Shareholder
	2021	Montford Trust	Trustee and Beneficiary
	2021	Hampton Downs Trust	Trustee and Beneficiary
	2021	University of Canterbury	Graduate and Mother of enrolled student
	2021	St John	Volunteer Ambulance Officer
Peter BALLANTYNE	2013	Canterbury District Health Board subcommittees	Member Quality, Finance, A&R
	2021	Canterbury Health Care of the Elderly Education Trust	Trustee
	2019	Canterbury Scientific Limited	Shareholder via Hawkins Family Trust
	2012	Deloitte	Consultant
Liz BOND	2019	Tertiary Education Union	Member
	2019	University of Canterbury	Employee
Pierce CROWLEY	2022	University of Canterbury	Student
	2022	UCSA	President
Rachael EVANS	2020	Kereru Trust	Trustee
	2020	Law Society	Member
	2020	Te Rūnanga o Ngai Tahu	Employee
	2020	Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tama	Member
	2021	University of Canterbury	Guest lecturer/tutor in School of Law
	2020	Whanganui Iwi	Member
	2021	Waimakariri District Council	Contractor
Jack HEINEMANN	2021	Tertiary Education Union	Member
	2021	University of Canterbury	Employee
Keiran HORNE	2019	AJ & MJ Horne Family Trust	Trustee and Discretionary Beneficiary
	2019	CEC Charitable Trust	Trustee and Treasurer
	2019	Conductive Education Canterbury	Treasurer
	2019	Hamilton City Council	Chair, Audit Risk Committees
	2019	Horne Wildbore Family Trust	Trustee and Discretionary Beneficiary
	2019	New Zealand Lotteries Commission	Chair Audit Risk Committee,
			Commissioner
	2019	Quayside Holdings Ltd	Director, Chair Audit Risk Committee

	2019	Quayside Properties Ltd	Director
	2019	Ouavside Securities Ltd	Director
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	2019	ScreenSouth Ltd	Chair
	2021	Son	Student at UC
	2019	Spey Downs Ltd	Shareholder
	2020	Television New Zealand Ltd	Director, Chair Audit Risk Committee
	2019	Timaru District Council	Member, Audit and Risk Committee
Warren POH	2020	Christchurch Netball Centre	Board Member
	2017	E&S Hop Holdings Limited	Director
	2021	FAN Advisory Board	Member/Independent advisor
	2018	GHD Limited	Employee
	2018	GHD Limited	Shareholder
	2017	M&W Nominees Limited	Director and Shareholder
	2021	Netsal Sports Centre Limited	Director
	2020	NOSSLO Group Limited	Director
	2017	Ofwarren Limited	Director and Shareholder
	2018	Olsson Fire and Risk New Zealand Ltd	Director and Shareholder
	2020	University of Canterbury	Husband of enrolled student
Cheryl de la REY	2021	Academic Quality Assurance Board	Board Member
(Vice-Chancellor)	2020	Assoc of Commonwealth Universities: Academic Quality Agency	Council Member
	2020	New Zealand Qualifications Authority	Board Member
	2019	Universities New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee	Member
	2019	University of Canterbury Foundation	Trustee (Ex-officio)
	2019	University of Canterbury Trust Funds	Vice-Chancellor
Gillian SIMPSON	2019	Anglican Schools Board	Board member
	2019	Canterbury Rugby Football Union	Independent Director
	2019	Christ's College Canterbury	Board member
	2019	Ministry of Education Statutory Services Provider	Independent contractor
	2019	New Zealand Education Scholarship Trust	Trustee
Shayne TE AIKA	2020	Rannerdale Home Care Limited	Director
•	2020	Rannerdale War Veterans Home Ltd	Director
	2020	The Karshay Group Ltd	Director and Shareholder
Adela KARDOS (General Counsel/Registrar)	2020	University of Canterbury	Employee

COUNCIL Public Meeting Minutes



Te Kaunihera o Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha

DATE Wednesday 24 November 2021

TIME 2:00pm

VENUE Council Chamber, Level 6 Matariki

PRESENT Ms Sue McCormack (Chancellor), Professor Cheryl de la Rey (Vice-

Chancellor), Ms Amy Adams, Mr Peter Ballantyne, Ms Liz Bond, Ms Rachael Evans, Ms Kim Fowler, Professor Jack Heinemann, Ms

Keiran Horne, Ms Gillian Simpson.

APOLOGIES Mr Warren Poh, Mr Shayne Te Aika.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms Adela Kardos (General Counsel/Registrar and Council Secretary)

Ms Lelanie Crous (Administration Team Leader) Mr Pierce Crowley (2022 UCSA President)

Mr Grantley Judge (Governance and Compliance Manager)
Professor Catherine Moran (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic))

The Chancellor requested that the Registrar be advised of any

Mr Richmond Tait (Director of Finance)

Professor Ian Wright (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research))

REGISTER OF INTEREST

changes to the interests register.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest arising.

MINUTES Moved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2021 be accepted

as a true and accurate record.

Carried

MATTERS ARISING There were no matters arising.

FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Chancellor's Meetings

The list of Chancellor's meetings was noted.

Moved:

That Council note the report on the Chancellor's meetings.

Carried

Degrees Conferred in Absentia

Ms McCormack advised Council of the schedule of degrees to be awarded in absentia. The names of the graduates would be entered into the public record.

Moved:

That Council approve the degrees awarded in absentia for the public record.

Carried

FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Prior to the Vice-Chancellor presenting her last report for the year, the Chancellor took the opportunity to thank Council members, the Vice-Chancellor, management and staff for their efforts in what was another challenging year. Thanks also were extended to the Chancellor for her continued efforts in 2020.

Monthly Report

As part of her monthly report, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following items and updates:

- Another lockdown in 2021 was unexpected and presented its own challenges, including balancing onsite teaching with health and safety. It was pleasing to see that the University rose to this challenge and became more agile.
- Announcement of New Zealand's boarder opening in 2022 was positive.
- Te Pae Raka Hau / Canterbury Knowledge Commons has formalised a multilateral partnership agreement between UC and eight influential organisations in the region. This multilateral memorandum of understanding has been signed between UC, Ngāi Tahu Research Centre, Canterbury Police, Canterbury Ministry of Education, the Christchurch City Council, ChristchurchNZ, The Press, Canterbury District Health Board and the Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce. This will develop a platform that creates opportunities for joint societal research to answer questions to some of Canterbury's most pressing issues.
- UC launched Kia Angitu, an ecosystem of projects aimed at student success. Analytics for Course Engagement (ACE) is deploying its second iteration in readiness to meet the agreed delivery at the end of 2021.
- UC had significant success in competitive research funding during 2021, securing \$100m of contracted and/or awarded projects. The Vice-Chancellor recognised Professor Jack Heinemann's contribution to the development of the Graduate School
- Appreciation of the Academic Board and its robust discussions followed by unanimous recommendations to Council was recognised.
- Due to the Covid-19 context, a significant number of adults and school leavers chose to study or upskill in 2021, raising enrolments to the highest level on record at the University.

- In 2021, UC academics developed, submitted and received approval for 15 new qualifications.
- Significant increase in online learning opportunities.
- Establishment of the Executive Education programmes in the UC Business School.
- The new Director of Health and Safety recruited a new team and instituted a partnership model so every leader has an expert health and safety support person. A refreshed health and safety plan has been developed and activated, an in-depth analysis of risk across the institution has been conducted and a new health and safety system (Assura) launched so that better data can be collected and reported.
- The Vice-Chancellor stated that significant positive developments have been made in 2021, thanks to everyone's efforts, but acknowledged it's been a challenging and tiring year for staff.

In discussion it was noted that:

- Council congratulated the Vice-Chancellor on an excellent report and the achievements of 2021.
- There was a lot of new initiatives, including those that support women.
- The Canterbury Knowledge Commons partnership allows leaders to exchange information, form strategies and prioritise how organisations can work together. A programme of initiatives will be worked on early in 2022. It was recognised that ECan, Lincoln University, Te Papa Hauroa, Selwyn and Waimakariri District Councils were future possible additions to the partnership.

Moved:

That Council note the Vice-Chancellor's monthly report.

Carried

FROM THE ACADEMIC BOARD

Professor Matthew Turnbull joined the meeting via Zoom.

The Chancellor thanked Professor Turnbull and the Academic Board for their work during 2022, including Dr Ross James, Dr Matthew Barber (Proctor) and Ms Adela Kardos for their work on the revised regulations.

Professor Matthew Turnbull then proceeded to present a verbal update from the Academic Board.

In discussion it was noted that:

- The University Discipline and Appeals Regulations had been revised:
- University were converting to Faculties;
- Consultation was underway on revisions to the academic promotion system;
- Terms of reference and regulation changes for the implementation of Faculty Boards

The Academic Board presented to Council, for approval, revised Behavioural Misconduct, Academic Misconduct and Appeals Regulations. These regulations were updated, after undertaking an extensive external review, taking into consideration:

- comparison with other universities;
- identified issues with the current regulations;
- the requirements of the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021

In discussion it was noted that:

- a couple of minor drafting changes would assist with the reading of the regulations;
- the role of the Council Appeals Committee remains the same;
- the change to the standard of proof "beyond all reasonable doubt" to "balance of probabilities" increased the onus on students but was more consistent with other universities;
- these new regulations would mean a requirement to amend other regulations and procedures to ensure consistency and a consolidated approach.

Moved:

That Council:

- 1. notes the written report from the Academic Board; and
- 2. approve the revised discipline, academic integrity and appeal regulations [now called the behavioural misconduct, academic misconduct and appeals regulations], noting that the Appeals Regulations proposed clause 9 be removed.

Carried

Professor Turnbull left the Zoom meeting.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED MEETING

Moved:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of this meeting, pursuant to section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

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10.6		To enable the University to carry out, 7(h) without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	
11.0	Other Business	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)

and that staff identified by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor as having knowledge relevant to particular matters to be discussed be permitted to remain at this meeting. This knowledge would be of assistance in relation to the matters discussed and was relevant because of their involvement in the development of the reports to Council on these matters.

Carried

RETURN TO PUBLIC MEETING Council returned to the public meeting at 5.19pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The following items were discussed:

- Farewell and best wishes to Ms Kim Fowler as UCSA President 2021, who was thanked for the important representation of UC students.
- Chancellor thanked staff for their hard work in 2021.
- The Vice-Chancellor thanked the Chancellor and other Council members for their leadership and service during another challenging year.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 11:00am on Wednesday 2 February 2021. This meeting is proceeded by a workshop from 8:30am -10:30am.

MEETING
CLOSED

The public meeting closed at 5:24pm.

SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD:	
DATE:	

Memorandum

Chancellor's Office

Email: <u>chancellor@canterbury.ac.nz</u>



To:	Council Members
From:	Sue McCormack, Chancellor
Date:	25 January 2022
Subject:	CHANCELLOR'S MEETINGS

I outline for you the key events I have attended on behalf of UC since the last Council meeting:

- Regular meetings with the General Counsel/ Registrar
- Regular meetings with the Vice-Chancellor
- Attended Council Executive meetings in December and January
- Attended a Council Christmas function
- Attended Honours and Appointments meeting

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Sue McCormack

Chancellor



Meeting Schedule – 2022

Statutory Dates				
6 February – Waitangi Day 7 February – University closed	15 April - 18 April - Easter 19 April - University closed 25 April - ANZAC Day			
6 June – Queen's Birthday	24 June - Matariki 24 October – Labour Day			
11 November – Show Day	23 December 2022 to 3 January 2023 (inclusive) - University closed			

Graduation Ceremonies			
Tuesday 12 April	10.00am	TBC	
Tuesday 12 April	2.00pm	TBC	
Wednesday 13 April	10.00am	Celebration for Māori Graduates	
Thursday 14 April	10.00am	TBC	
Wednesday 14 December	10.00am	TBC	
Wednesday 14 December	2.00pm	TBC	
Friday 16 December	10.00am	TBC	
Friday 16 December	2.00pm	TBC	

Council Meetings

- Normally **first Wednesday** of the month, 11.00am 5.00pm, Council Chamber, Level 6, Matariki;
- Briefing 8.30am 10.30am (unless otherwise specified)
- Papers required by 5.00pm the Wednesday prior to meeting

- Agendas distributed the Thursday prior to meeting

2 February	2 March	6 April
20 April	4 May	1 June
6 July	3 August	7 September
5 October	2 November	7 December (if required)

Audit and Risk Committee Meetings					
- Normally 3 rd Monday of the month, 3.00pm (unless otherwise indicated), Council Chamber, Level 6, Matariki					
- Papers required by 5.00pm the Tuesday prior to the meeting					
- Agendas distributed the Wednesday prior to the meeting					
21 February	28 March	16 May	15 August	17 October	

Strategy Meeting
Wednesday 15 June, 9.00am – 5.00pm

12 January 2022



Vice-Chancellor's Report to Council

January 2022

Move to Red COVID-19 Protection Framework Setting

Following the Government announcement on 23 January 2022 that all of New Zealand would move to the Red setting of the COVID-19 Protection Framework, UC briefly stood up the Incident Management Team to ensure that the University moved seamlessly to the Ministry of Education (MOE) Tertiary Education at Red directive. The directive mandates vaccinations for all staff, students and visitors on campus, mask wearing within all buildings and 1-metre social distancing. UC moved to this status on Monday, 24 January. Preparations for operating at the Red setting have been well developed by UC's Health and Safety Improvement and Emergency and Business Continuity Managers, supported by a Steering Group from late 2021.

The move to the Red setting in January has produced minimal disruption to University operations thus far, and is providing additional time to plan for full teaching at the Red setting from the beginning of Semester 1 in late February. The intention is for the University to operate at the Red setting in a prudent and cautious 'business as usual' way, wherever possible, while complying with MOE public health measures.

2022 Applications and New Education Initiatives

Enrolments in the UC Summer School are higher than ever before, at over 2,100 students. The 110 courses offered over summer include a range of core compulsory courses for the third semester, as well as elective or interest courses.

Summer School can lead in many directions, as Aucklander Dr Kiri Solomon (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Kahu ki Whangaroa) found a few years ago. A Summer School course on Understanding Emotions in Education first attracted Kiri to enrol at UC. On achieving an A+, she decided to explore this topic further for her doctorate. She won a UC Matariki Doctoral Scholarship and began her PhD in 2018. She has immense passion for her work, in which she fosters the emotional literacy of her adult students, and completed her PhD late last year.

Takere 2 is in progress with 50 enrolments as planned.

Enrolment applications is to be 6% up for domestic students and 2% down for international students compared to last year. This makes an estimated total growth of 4.8%.

Nearly 1,000 applications have been received for the first 2022 Better Start Literacy Approach microcredential. This micro-credential suite is an integrated classroom literacy programme for Year 0/1 classrooms. It includes credentials for facilitators, teachers and teacher aides | kaiāwhina.

Research - Impact on a Changing World

Late last year, 2022's finalists for the Strategic Research Capital round were chosen after a rigorous selection process run by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research. Ten initial expressions of interest were received for this \$1.5 million fund.

One of the successful proposals received a \$1 million investment spread over three years for "Dynamic Testing and Earthquake Simulation" equipment to be housed in the Structural Engineering Laboratory building. It will advance UC earthquake engineering research (across both civil and mechanical engineering) and potentially leverage industry interest in construction materials testing. Also successful was a proposal for an \$850,000 investment in a state-of-the-art "Atomic Force Microscopy Platform", which will have applications across solid-state physics, molecular engineering, polymer chemistry, surface chemistry, molecular and cell biology, and materials science and medicine.

People - Nurturing Staff, Thriving Students

The new Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021 came into effect from January 2022. This new code takes a 'whole of provider' approach and has a strong focus on four areas:

- listening to the learner voice
- honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Māori–Crown relations
- the wellbeing and safety of diverse learner groups
- delivering culturally responsive practices.

UC has done considerable work on planning for the implementation of this Code of Practice, building on our previous work for its predecessor, the Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016. In 2022, we will see a full year of implementation of the new code.

UC has appointed a Director Student Well-being, Gilbert Tuarua, who is an alumni. This position is focussed on student wellbeing, oversees our response to the Student Pastoral Care Code and leads the portfolio containing the Health Centre, the Recreation Centre and the Student Care teams. Gilbert's career has been in social work, Māori health and many other parts of the health sector with most recent role being Chief Māori Strategy and Improvement Officer for the Southern District Health Board and WellSouth Primary Health Network. Gilbert starts with UC later this year.

After acting for over a year, Greg Scott has been appointed to the role as Director Accommodation Services.

On 24 January, Brett Berquist took the position of Assistant Vice-Chancellor Engagement | Amokapua. Brett is responsible for leading UC's engagement, institutional advancement and strategic partnerships at local, national and international levels.

Brett brings to the Senior Leadership Team extensive experience across a range of areas in academia in five countries. Most recently, he led the effort that doubled international enrolment at the University of Auckland. He also brings experience in alumni engagement, fundraising, communications and branding strategy. His recent co-edited book, *Community Engagement Abroad: Perspectives and practices on service, engagement, and learning overseas* (Michigan State University Press), proposes a new framework for community engagement.

Professor John Page has been appointed to the position of Amo Matua | Executive Dean for the UC Faculty of Law. John brings extensive experience to the role, with previous positions as Deputy Head of School and Dean of Law and his current role as Discipline Chair, Law and Justice Faculty at Southern Cross University, Australia. John's scholarship is in property law; theory, law and society; and legal geography. His first published monograph was *Property Diversity and Its Implications* and the most recent, *The Lawful Forest: A critical history of property, protest and spatial justice*, will be published in 2022. John has considerable teaching experience, including in the design of new and existing undergraduate and postgraduate law courses. His management experience has covered strategies for staff professional development, building new enrolments and ensuring financial sustainability. He has also been responsible for managing external relations with accreditation authorities, the national legal professional body and community stakeholders. We look forward to welcoming John in early 2022.

Awards

UC geologists Professor Ben Kennedy and Dr Jonathan Davidson have won this year's edX Prize for Exceptional Contributions in Online Teaching and Learning for the UCx course "Exploring Volcanoes and Their Hazards: Iceland and New Zealand".

The 2021 prize-winning Exploring Volcanoes course is described by edX as a "compelling example of effective pedagogy, engaging assessments and immersive learning environments".

Informed by 10 years of research into virtual field trips and field education, the course was designed to deliver an immersive and fun virtual science experience focused on volcanic landscapes. By integrating an emphasis on Māori knowledge as well, the course enables learners to empathise with and understand different perspectives.

This example is one of the massive open online courses (MOOCs) produced at UC for the edX platform, where UC now offers 21 free courses, which are available internationally. In 2022, UC will continue to produce high-quality MOOCs for the world.

Below are the UC staff and alumni who featured in the New Year Honours List 2022.

UC current staff

Professor Philip Howard Butler, of Christchurch. Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit (CNZM) for services to science, education and health.

UC alumni

Mr David Ronald Brunsdon, of Paraparaumu. CNZM for services to engineering and emergency management.

Dr Michael William Dunbier, of Christchurch. CNZM for services to agricultural science.

Mr Lewis Vernon Sanson, NZAM, of Wanaka. Queen's Service Order (QSO) for services to conservation and public service.

Mr Peter James Simpson, of Woodend. New Zealand Order of Merit (ONZM) for services to education.

Mrs Monica Stockdale, of Napier. ONZM for services to Māori health.

Mr Victor Thomas Walker, of Tolaga Bay. ONZM for services to the Māori community.

Ms Frian Percy Wadia, of Auckland. Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to disability and education.

Mrs Jennifer Agnew, of Christchurch. Queen's Service Medal (QSM) for services to historical research and the Chinese community.

Mr Trevor Gordon Agnew, of Christchurch. QSM for services to children's literacy and historical research.

Mr Aart Brusse, of Dunedin. QSM for services to music.

Mr David Dennis Hinman, of Christchurch. QSM for services to tramways and heritage.

Mrs Jillian Meryl Lord, of Christchurch. QSM for services to genealogy.

Mrs Jane Painter, of Whangarei. QSM for services to the community.

UC former staff

Dr Kathleen Gaye Irwin, of Otaki. MNZM for services to Māori education.

Mr John Bowden Mackintosh, of Napier (also alumni). ONZM for services to the legal profession.