

Brady Cox from the University of Texas, USA – Semester 1 2017.

Associate Professor Brady Cox and his family enjoying a boat trip in Akaroa

## Where you have come from and what do you teach?

I am an Associate Professor at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas. I am a Civil Engineer that specializes in earthquake engineering.

## What interested you in the Erskine Programme/Why did you want to come to UC?

I have interacted closely with several UC faculty members since September 2010, just after the first earthquake in Christchurch (the Darfield Earthquake). Since that time, I have returned to Christchurch at least two times per year for follow-up research related to the earthquakes.

## What have you been doing at UC?

I have been teaching a post-graduate course and helping to team-teach an undergraduate course. I have also been continuing my research on the engineering effects of the Canterbury earthquakes and have started new research efforts into the damage caused by the recent Kaikoura Earthquake.

## What have you most enjoyed about your time here at UC/Christchurch?

I absolutely love New Zealand. Christchurch is such a beautiful and welcoming city. The people are incredibly warm and welcoming. And, UC is a great university with incredible faculty to interact with. My family and I have loved spending time outdoors soaking up adventures in the mountains and on the beach. We have loved every minute here. Many thanks to the Erskine Program for making this possible.