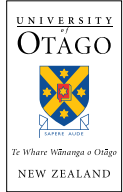
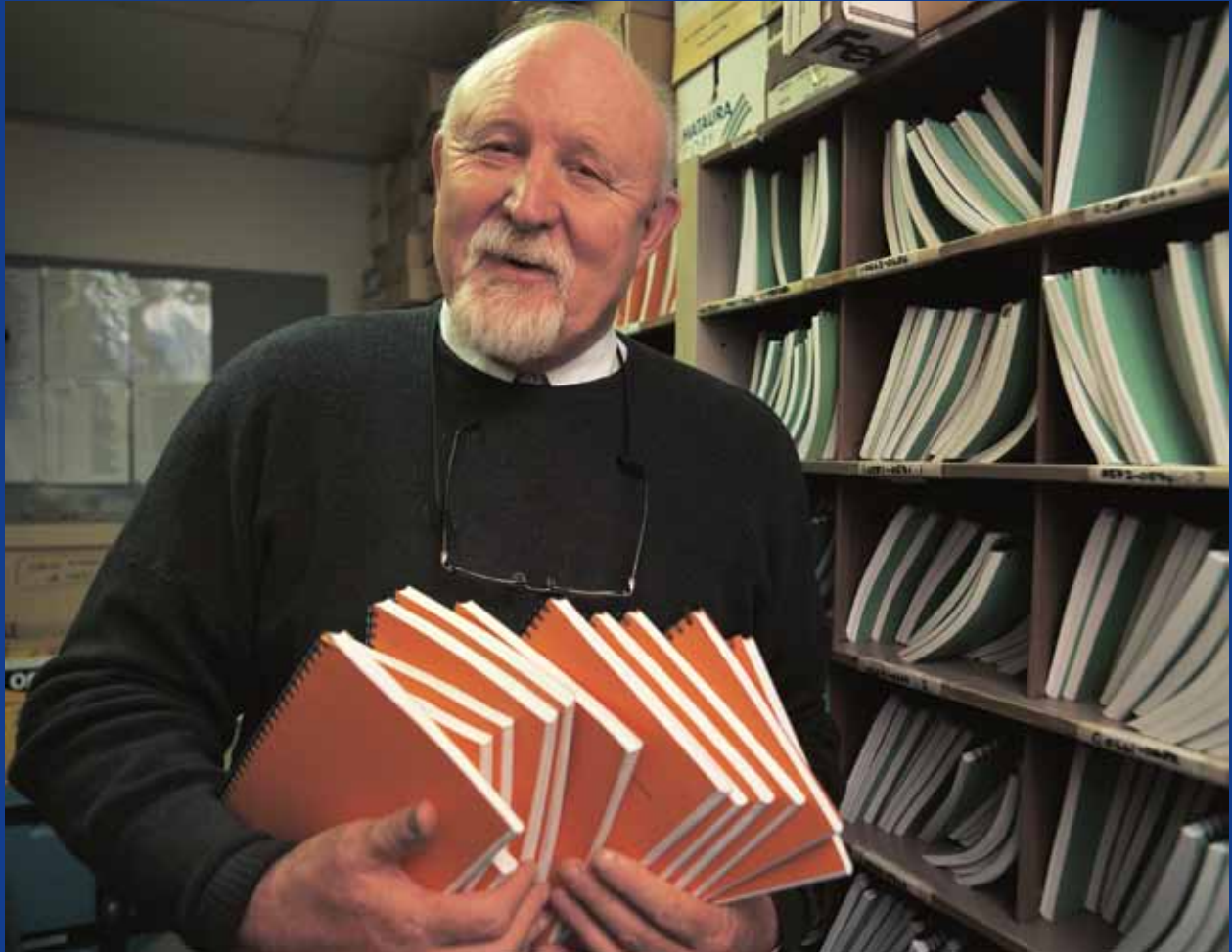


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Distinguished Research Medal



The Director of the acclaimed Christchurch Health and Development Study (CHDS), Professor David Fergusson, is this year's recipient of the University of Otago's highest research honour, the Distinguished Research Medal. For three-and-a-half decades, Professor Fergusson has been a driving force behind the internationally recognised study, which has closely tracked the progress of 1265 people born in Christchurch in 1977. The University awards the Medal for outstanding scholarly achievement. Professor Fergusson will receive it when he delivers a public lecture early next year.

Videoconferencing available at your desktop

From Monday 1 November Otago staff will be able to take part in videoconferences at their own desk, using their own computer, at no cost.

The Otago service has been developed by ITS, in conjunction with the Kiwi Advanced Research and Education Network (KAREN) Videoconferencing Service.

The service is available upon subscription nationally to all member organisations of the KAREN network, which include all of New Zealand's universities and Crown research institutes.

ITS Teaching and Learning Facilities Technical Services and Support Manager Fraser Foster believes it will be very popular.

"This Videoconferencing Service will enable staff to participate in conferences from their own desk, using the camera, speakers

and microphone on their computer," Mr Foster says. "It has the potential to be used by staff, students and research groups to keep in touch with peers and colleagues around the globe. Once a session has been booked anyone with a reasonable internet connection can be invited to join."

The new service caters for those who are not too concerned about varying video quality in their conference. When this is of concern, ITS has bookable, purpose-built conferencing suites.

Otago Research groups associated with KAREN have already been using the service, and the new launch opens it up to the whole University. ITS will provide any technical support.

For more information about this service please refer to www.otago.ac.nz/its website and check out "Desktop Videoconferencing - Scopia" in the "Conferencing Solutions" section.

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New leaders of Library and Quality

Two important University facilities have new leaders.

Margaret Morgan has been appointed the new Director of Quality Advancement, while Howard Amos is the new University Librarian.

The Quality Advancement Unit conducts University reviews, graduate and student opinion surveys and runs quality forums – underpinning all aspects of quality enhancement within the University. It also prepares for and hosts each New Zealand Universities Academic Audit.

The new position of Director, which replaces that of Manager, reflects the size and importance of the role.

Ms Morgan is currently Director of Policy and Programmes in the Health Sciences Division at the University and begins her new position on Monday 8 November.

Meanwhile, Mr Amos began his new role this month, coming to Otago from the University of New South Wales in Australia where he was Deputy Librarian.

Mr Amos says he is looking forward to engaging with the Dunedin and New Zealand library communities as well as working closely with University staff and students. In particular, he will have a strong focus on digital library services and e-resources.

What do you think of the *Bulletin*?

A survey of the *Otago Bulletin* is under way, to discover what the University community thinks of our publication.

Survey invitations have been sent to about 1300 staff and 700 postgraduate students.

If you have received an invitation, thank you in advance for completing the survey.

We conduct a survey every two years to find out whether our readers are happy with the types of stories we are covering, the notices we are listing and the *Bulletin's* look and feel.



The results will be used to guide any changes we make to the *Bulletin* and to ensure it remains a useful publication for the University community.

The survey is accessible online to those with an invitation, and will be available until Tuesday 9 November.

iTunes U pick of the month

Business Lectures: Dr Lisa McNeil - Winter Lecture Series – 2009: Y-Worry? Generation Y's attitudes towards debt and money

As a student, life in debt seemed to be a way of life and an accepted norm amongst my peers. Even after I graduated it took a long time for me to remember to add deposits and subtract withdrawals from my bank balance (instead of the other way around) after living so many years in overdraft.

In this Winter Series lecture, Dr Lisa McNeil explores students' attitudes towards debt, money and spending in general, as well as exploring how they spend their money, and their justifications for their attitudes and actions. She reports on two studies, the first exploring these issues from the perspective of first and second year students, and the second from fourth and fifth year students. The results may surprise you.



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WHAT'S NEW

Top teachers recognised by Otago students

Winning OUSA's Teacher of the Year for a third time was a big surprise for Tony Zaharic.

The Biochemistry Senior Teaching Fellow, whose main responsibility is for BIOC 192, won the award last year and in 2007, and is so popular that his students have even set up a fan page for him on social networking site Facebook.

"When I found out last year that some of my students has set up a Facebook site about me I was mortified," Mr Zaharic says. "I haven't looked at the site, but some colleagues have looked at it since it was more widely publicised after the award and have assured me there is nothing too damning."

For him the best thing about the award is that it is a reminder that "what we do in front of our classes really does matter".

The OUSA Teaching Awards were established in 2002 to recognise quality teaching. Mr Zaharic was one of nine lecturers to be honoured at a ceremony at the Staff Club last week.

There were also two new awards this year, a Most Inclusive award and an award for Best Use of Humour. They were won by College of Education Inclusive Education Senior Lecturer Gill Rutherford and Biochemistry Lecturer Associate Professor Peter Dearden respectively.



Photo: Otago Daily Times

The winners of this year's OUSA teaching awards (from left) Best Use of Humour Associate Professor Peter Dearden, Teacher of the Year Tony Zaharic and Most Inclusive Dr Gill Rutherford.

Dr Rutherford says she always tries to get to know her students, and encourages them to focus on understanding disability as an inherent part of being human.

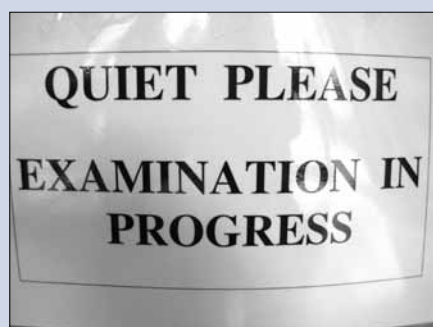
Associate Professor Dearden's students liken his lectures to a comedy show which "has the class in fits of laughter".

He says both humour and enthusiasm are very important in teaching as they both help get a message across more effectively

and memorably.

The other finalists were: David Schmierer of Pharmacy, Haruko Stuart of the Japanese programme of Languages and Cultures, Mark Henaghan of Law, Barry Empson of the German programme of Languages and Cultures, Alan Cooper of Geology, Murat Genc of Economics, Joneen Walker of the College of Education and Stuart Anderson of Law.

IN BRIEF ...



Exams under way

Final examinations for 2010 are well under way.

Exams began last Wednesday and end on Saturday 13 November.

There are 14,277 students sitting 610 exams in 30 rooms across the Dunedin campus. There are also 537 Distance

Learning students sitting 62 exams at 27 New Zealand venues and 28 venues overseas.

0800 Student Health

Student Health Services is launching a new 0800 number for students, allowing them to book, confirm or cancel appointments at no cost from their cell phone.

The service has been created in response to concerns some students do not have sufficient credit on their mobile accounts or access to landlines to contact Student Health Services to make an appointment.

Student Health Services Director Dr Kim Ma'a'i says the new number is intended to remedy this potential barrier to access.

The line will be available from Monday 1 November. It is **0800 479 821**.

Export Education award

The Occupational and Aviation Medicine Unit based at the Wellington campus has won its second Export Education Innovation Programme award from Education New Zealand.

Its first award, in 2006, enabled the Unit to offer occupational and continuing medical education programmes in the Middle East, in collaboration with Harvard Medical School's Dubai Center.

The latest award, worth \$125,000, is to develop an online occupational and continuing medical education programme for the United States, in collaboration with the University of Washington, Seattle.

Director, Dr Rob Griffiths, says this provides an excellent opportunity to work collaboratively with the 23rd ranked university in the world.

POSTGRADUATE NEWS

Interactive computer technologies are helping Distance students come to grips with difficult concepts which are hard to explain outside the classroom. The *Bulletin* takes a look at how Otago is using these innovative teaching tools.

Distance no barrier to teaching innovation

The Ophthalmology section's Associate Professor Gordon Sanderson is proof that distance teaching does not lack for opportunities to develop innovative teaching tools.

Associate Professor Gordon coordinates the postgraduate qualification Otago offers in Basic Ophthalmic Sciences. Within that programme he makes extensive use of reusable learning objects (RLOs) that he has developed over the past nine years to support his students' learning.

Impetus for Associate Professor Gordon's RLOs came from an article in the journal *Medical Teaching* that he read in 2002. The authors, Harden and Hart, wrote that one of the most important components of an International Virtual Medical School would be a bank of 'reusable learning objects'. Today Associate Professor Gordon feels that with the Postgraduate Diploma in Ophthalmic Basic Sciences he

has created a very small part of a virtual medical school for the future.

The definition of RLOs that Associate Professor Gordon uses is "a resource, usually digital and web-based, that can be used and re-used to support learning".

Most teachers can, with a little assistance, produce their own simple versions.

Typically RLOs enable difficult concepts to be explained in either a dynamic or interactive format using computer technology. They can be as simple as a two-position diagram that moves from one position to the other at the click of a mouse, or as complex as a three-dimensional anatomical dissection that enables the student to view specific organ structures layer by layer as tissues are removed. RLOs can also consist of videos, animations, voice-overs, moving diagrams or whatever imagery suits the educational purpose.

When it comes to developing RLOs, Associate Professor Gordon thinks that most teachers can, with a little assistance, produce their own simple versions. Some are more complex and require the skills of Flash programmers, while others might need the resources of media development units. Associate Professor Gordon uses the skills of the Higher Education Development Centre, and he has also



This RLO is one of many that are available from Otago's virtual anatomy museum. Students can manipulate the image using tools to rotate or enlarge as required.

employed the services of the Dunedin-based Animation Research Limited to provide more sophisticated services.

The beauty of RLOs is precisely that they are reusable, so once created they remain available to the lecturer and students *ad infinitum*. They can also be modified or amended, and over time an inventory of these objects becomes a valuable teaching resource.

Associate Professor Gordon is unsure whether Harden and Hart's Interactive Virtual Medical School ever became a reality, but a bank of RLOs has certainly made the task of teaching ophthalmology at a distance a great deal easier for him and his Otago team.

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Woolf Fisher success for Otago student

University of Otago Honours student Ross Haines was awarded a prestigious Woolf Fisher Scholarship earlier this month which will enable him to undertake doctoral study at Oxford University in the United Kingdom.

Mr Haines, who was one of three Woolf Fisher recipients selected nationally, intends to undertake a DPhil at Oxford using statistical techniques to explain how the English language has evolved over time.

Currently completing his BSc (Hons) in Mathematics and Statistics, Mr Haines will take up the scholarship in October next year. With an annual value of close to \$100,000, it will cover full college and university fees and provide a living allowance.

At Oxford, Mr Haines will be using Bayesian statistical models to analyse thousands of medieval manuscripts to calculate where they are from and when they were written.

Announcements about the recipients of other prestigious international postgraduate scholarships for which Otago students are candidates, including the Rutherford, Rhodes and Fulbright, are expected in November.



Otago honours student Ross Haines, who has won a prestigious Woolf Fisher Scholarship to Oxford University.

Photo: Otago Daily Times

WHAT'S NEW



Photo: Sharron Bennett

Otago researchers (from left) Sue McAllister, Kim Cousins, Dr Lianne Parkin, Associate Professor Peter Herbison and Dr Patricia Priest, whose investigations into the benefits of wearing socks over shoes in icy weather won an Ig Nobel prize last month.

Socks over shoes wins

Otago research which confirmed that wearing socks over shoes in icy weather does improve traction won an Ig Nobel prize last month.

The international Ig Nobel awards, presented at a gala ceremony at Harvard University, honour research that first makes people laugh, and then makes them think.

A team from Otago's Department of Preventive and Social Medicine won the Physics Prize for their study "Preventing Winter Falls: A Randomised Controlled Trial of a Novel Intervention" which was published in the *New Zealand Medical Journal* last year. They conducted the study following a light-hearted discussion in their tea room about the merits of wearing socks over shoes to prevent slips and falls.

Study leader Lianne Parkin travelled to the United States to receive the award and says it was a real celebration of creativity and quirkiness in the scientific world.

"Apart from the usual couple of 'joke prizes' each year, they are certainly not prizes for 'bad' science," Dr Parkin says. "For instance, a former winner of an Ig Nobel prize for Physics (for levitating a frog) has just won the 2010 physics Nobel prize."

Her co-authors for the study were Sheila Williams and Dr Patricia Priest.

Shakespeare students visit



Some of the 48 secondary school pupils from around New Zealand who visited the University while they were in Dunedin for the National Shakespeare Schools Production last month. The pupils had lunch at UniCol, attended lunchtime theatre at Allen Hall, and were given a tour of the campus. These are some of the country's most talented and high achieving secondary pupils, and it is hoped some might attend Otago in the future.

Public Health Summer School

The Wellington campus is once again running its very popular Public Health Summer School from 7 February to 1 March 2011, and is enrolling now.

The School has been providing training in Public Health research and practice for 15 years. The 28 short courses (one to three days) range from an introduction to public health research, to advanced epidemiology, and quantitative and qualitative software training.

Marketing Coordinator Mary-Lou Harris says the School has gone from strength to strength because people can enrol in a wide selection of different courses tailored to specific interests and learning needs.

Otago staff and students are eligible for a 50 per cent reduction in course fees.

For further information go to: www.uow.otago.ac/summerschool.html

Deep space exhibition

An exhibition of 12 incredible deep space images has been brought to Dunedin by two University of Otago researchers who are co-principal investigators in an international study to discover what form of presentation best conveys scientific information.

The images are from various satellites, and are presented in association with the Harvard Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (CfA) and NASA.

The Otago researchers, Professors Lisa and Jeffrey Smith of the College of

Education, have been working with NASA and CfA to bring the images to New Zealand.

Other institutes participating in the research include Washington DC's Smithsonian Air and Space Center and the Boston Museum of Science. The exhibition is being held in Discovery World until 15 November.

Share a Ride

University staff and students are being encouraged to share a ride to work as part of promoting better uptake of sustainable commuting options.

The popular Scarfie Rideshare scheme has been operated by the Dunedin City Council since 2000, and offers over 150 free on-street parks around the campus periphery for vehicles arriving with at least two adults in the car, and displaying rideshare tokens.

However, University Resource Planner Katrina Roos says the scheme may be at risk because some people are breaking the rules, arriving at Rideshare parks without any passengers.

She asks that users of the scheme park in the designated spaces with all their passengers in the vehicle.

Ms Roos is co-author of the Otago Travel Plan which will be released before the end of the year.

For more information on the Scarfie Rideshare scheme visit www.dunedinrideshare.co.nz and for other carpooling options in Dunedin visit the *One Less Car* page under the *Living Sustainably* section of the *Dunedin City Council* website www.dcc.co.nz.

A CLOSER LOOK AT PHYSICS

Two teams from Otago's Department of Physics led by Dr Mikkel Andersen and Dr Jevon Longdell have this year published breakthrough studies in leading publications *Nature* and *Nature Physics* which have attracted world-wide attention. The *Bulletin* takes a look at a department which has been on an upward trajectory of success since the mid-1990s.

The Physics of success

A determined team spirit + highly talented individuals = work of outstanding quality; that seems to be the winning formula at Otago's Department of Physics.

Not only are they achieving great academic success, they are also a close-knit group.

The positive and supportive work atmosphere in Physics was amply demonstrated during the recent "Great Physical Head Shave," when staff rallied behind fellow staffer and breast cancer survivor Department Manager Sandy Wilson to don tutus, have their heads shaved and raise more than \$8000 towards a new electronic bed for Ward C at Dunedin Hospital.

"I was really proud of them all for doing that – these staunch Physics blokes dressing in pink and supporting the breast cancer cause," Ms Wilson says. "It really was very humbling. We had amazing support from right across the University; everybody knows somebody who has had breast cancer."

Head of Department Professor Rob Ballagh is also singing the praises of his team.

He says the current crop of internationally-significant publications is a continuance of a trend started over 10 years ago when he, Professor Crispin Gardiner and Andrew Wilson developed the vision to create an internationally recognised group at Otago in the field of ultra-cold atoms.

They built their profile with some seminal theoretical studies on Bose-Einstein condensation, a new state of matter that had just been created. And they were one of the first groups in the world to produce that state in the lab. They then obtained continuing Marsden funding, which led to

further research success, and the ability to enlarge the group.

In 2006 the ultra-cold atom team formed the Jack Dodd Centre for Quantum Technology – which gave them the platform to "crack" the large programme funding available from the Foundation for Research Science and Technology. "The University has also backed our vision and provided us with very significant support at critical times, which allowed us to attract and retain the brilliant young researchers to support our vision – the Jevons and the Mikkels, and several other equally talented young staff," he says.

The researchers and postgraduate students working in the Department are "enormously committed" to their work, he says. He also praises the "brilliant and dedicated" work of the two machinists in the Department, Peter Stroud and Richard Sparrow, responsible for building some of the intricate equipment used for experiments.

"It's more than just a nine-to-five job for all these people – researchers and support staff. Many of them work late into the night. Often the experiments work better when there are fewer

"The University has also backed our vision ... which allowed us to attract and retain the brilliant young researchers to support our vision."



people and less vibration in the building."

In answering why Otago has become so highly competitive internationally in physics, Professor Ballagh shuns the Kiwi "number eight wire" myth as a reason.

"Part of Mikkel's success, for example, is that he just did things differently to everyone else. He had the freedom to dream up original ideas and that's what he did. There's nothing haphazard about this. We are very fortunate to have some brilliantly creative young people working here, and we have tried to make an environment where they can be productive.

"We also have outstanding postgraduate students. Because of our reputation in physics and science in general we attract New Zealand students of the highest quality."

There has been a fundamental change in perspective, he says. Thirty years ago the highest form of achievement in New Zealand physics departments was to send their best students to Oxford and Cambridge. Not anymore.

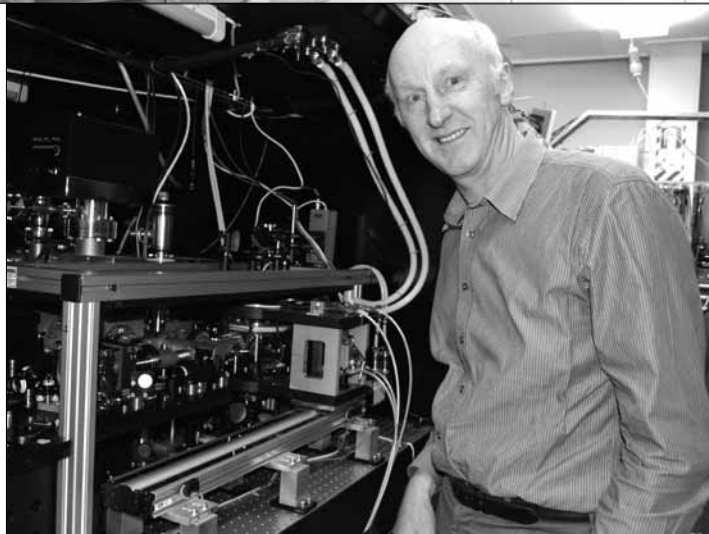


Physics Department Manager Sandy Wilson, who organised her staff into the "Great Physical Head Shave" to raise funds for breast cancer.



Left: A not-so-mysterious number of bald heads: Researchers, teachers and staff from the Department of Physics including (from left) Andrew Hilliard, Andrew Wade, Tzahi Grunzweig, Peter McDowall, Simon Coop, Jevon Longdell, Sandy Wilson, Mikkel Andersen, Rob Ballagh, Dmitry Korystov, Patrick Ledingham, Keron Niles, David McAuslan, Jian Wei Tay, Joe Chambers and Yin Hsien Fung.

Below: Head of the Department of Physics Professor Rob Ballagh is proud of the valuable assistance given by the Department's in-house machinists, who built the pictured machine in the ultra cold lab.



“We can offer our own sophisticated and exciting programmes where we can also compete and contribute at the leading edge of world science, as you’ve just seen with Mikkel and Jevon.

“This entuses everybody and helps recruit more students and researchers. We’re offering something in New Zealand that is capturing the imagination and the ambition of the brightest young people.

“It’s very important that places like China and the US can see that although we cannot do as

much science as they can, our excellent science is as good as their excellent science.”

Getting research known key to success

Professor Ballagh believes good publicity of their research has helped his Department build its high profile.

“You can do brilliant research in your lab but you have to have the funding, and that means you have to get your success known. We have a very high profile in New Zealand science circles, and the media has been very important in

helping us achieve that.

“We like to work closely with the University’s media office to help us get our news out.”

The latest research

In September Dr Mikkel Andersen and his team of four published in *Nature Physics* their invention of a method to isolate and observe a single atom – a significant step towards building quantum computers.

The entrapment of the Rubidium 85 atom has already prompted world-wide interest in the new science which will flow from the breakthrough.

Dr Andersen’s team used laser cooling technology to dramatically slow a group of Rubidium 85 atoms. A laser-beam, or “optical tweezers”, was then deployed to isolate and hold one atom – at which point it could be photographed through a microscope.

The researchers then proved they could reliably and consistently produce individual trapped atoms – a major step towards using the atoms to build next-generation, ultra-fast quantum-logic computers, which harness the potency of atoms to perform complex information-processing tasks.

Earlier in the year, Dr Jevon Longdell was part of an international team that developed the most efficient quantum “memory” for light in the world, an achievement that also brings closer a future of super-fast computers and ultra-secure communications.

The findings of the Australian National University-led team were published as the cover article of *Nature*, the world’s foremost scientific journal.

Professor Ballagh is confident there will be more to come from these teams of excellent physicists and support staff.

“But there won’t be anything else for a wee while now,” he says.

That is OK though, because the Department has left the University plenty to dine out on for quite some time.

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EARTHQUAKE

Christchurch campus moves on from quake

Nearly two months ago a 7.1 magnitude earthquake shook Christchurch. Since then, there have been more than 2000 aftershocks including a large one last week. University of Otago Senior Communications Advisor for the Christchurch campus Kim Thomas gives the *Bulletin* an insight into how the quakes have affected Christchurch staff and infrastructure.

I don't think I've ever been more afraid in my life.

Jolted from sleep, I am tossed across the bed as I scramble for the door.

My stocky partner is ricocheted from one side of the hallway to the other as he runs to grab our 11-month-old baby from her room. He is thrown to the floor and crawls the final stretch to the cot.

Then, time seems to slow.

The following dark hours drag as I sit bracing myself and my child between a doorframe as our wooden house sways and moans with aftershocks.

That is my experience of the early hours of 4 September when a 7.1 earthquake hit Christchurch.

My house has cracks in every room, a number of its piles are twisted and our sewerage system does not work properly.

But other staff members at the Christchurch campus suffered far worse damage than me.

Some have homes which are uninhabitable, some have holes in the roof where chimneys used to be and others have gaping cracks in floors and walls.

I'm just the only one prepared to write about the experience in the *Bulletin*.

The people I spoke to with serious damage to their homes either didn't want to complain or didn't want to dwell on the negatives.

Almost two months following that shaky Saturday morning, people just want to try and move on and get back to normal.

Work resumed in the main campus building within days of the big quake. The damage to that building was superficial.

St Elmo's Court, a brick building where some University departments rent space, was not so lucky. That building has been condemned.

Staff from MIHI, the Māori/ Indigenous Health Institute, and the Department of Public Health and General Practice have been forced to move from St Elmo's Court.

MIHI staff are moving into a building already owned by the University on Cambridge Terrace. A number of possible new premises are being considered for Public Health and General Practice staff.

Dean of the Christchurch campus Professor Peter Joyce says the 19 October aftershock, which measured 5 on the Richter scale and was felt as a sizeable shock, was a reminder that the earthquake "is not just a one off, it's an ongoing experience".

But as far as I'm concerned, the earthquake has had one positive effect: The experience seems to have solidified the sense of community at the Christchurch campus.

I will never forget that awful experience on the morning of 4 September, but neither will I forget the camaraderie or kindness of colleagues I have experienced since.



Senior Communications Advisor for the Christchurch campus Kim Thomas and her now one-year-old daughter Carys outside their earthquake damaged home.

The experience seems to have solidified the sense of community at the Christchurch campus.

Kit up for an emergency

The Christchurch earthquake has been a reminder to New Zealanders of the need to have emergency supplies on hand.

One University of Otago staff member says food for one person for three days can fit into a light four litre milk container.

Manager of ITS Management Support Services and Divisional Health and Safety Officer Suzanne Gillies says her family keeps one four litre 72-hour food pack ready for each person.

"Once a year we spend a weekend eating our personal food pack. It lasts well; even our teenage boys have food left over. Then we spend an evening together repacking the kits.

"We got the idea from our church. We thought we'd share the love, so I presented the pack at the last University Health and Safety conference."

It is also a good idea to have a torch, batteries, blankets and a wireless radio on hand for an emergency.

Recipe for 72 Hour Food Pack

Take one 4L plastic milk container and a 3L juice container. Cut off and retain the top section of the milk container. Fill with, for example: a can each of baked beans and soup, two instant soup packets, two packs of two-minute noodles, plain crackers, a dozen Barley Sugars, four muesli bars, two cups of bagged trail mix, hot drink mixes and a couple of packets of chewing gum. Tape the top of the container and lid back on. Fill the other container with water adding a drop of plain bleach. Date and store.

INTERNATIONAL LINKS



A University collaborative exhibition *Te Ara: Māori Pathways of Leadership* opened at the Museum of Olsztyn in Poland to begin an international tour.

Poland hosts exhibition

An exhibition showcasing aspects of Māori identity in Aotearoa/ New Zealand opened in Poland last month to acclaim from Polish media.

The photographic exhibition, *Te Ara: Māori Pathways of Leadership*, is a collaboration between Otago's School of Business and Te Tumu, Auckland's James Henare Māori Research Centre and marae leaders across five regions.

It began an international tour last month, opening at the Museum of Olsztyn in Poland. It will visit Warsaw in November and Krakow in December before heading to Oxford in January. Thereafter, *Te Ara* is planned to tour San Francisco, Hawai'i, Shanghai and Auckland before returning for its Otago finale late next year.

Under the curatorial/research guidance of Te Tumu Dean Professor Paul Tapsell and the University's new Associate Professor of Māori Research Merata Kawharu *Te Ara* features images by international award-winning photographer Krzysztof Pfeiffer.

Professor Tapsell says the exhibition is a story of Māori identity, youth and leadership captured on film – past, present and future. He and Associate Professor Kawharu attended the opening in Poland, accompanied by Māori elders, emerging leaders and their children. They report the reaction from the Polish audience and media was overwhelming.

"Māori features large in the consciousness of the Polish people, not least because of internationally recognised symbols like ta moko and the haka," Professor Tapsell says. "Memories of WWII battles at El Alamein and Monte Cassino where Māori Battalion and the Polish Army fought side by side also came to the fore."

Māori scholars Michael Stevens (Otago) and Hirini Tane (Auckland) have contributed to the accompanying *Te Ara* publication, a multi-lingual catalogue (first edition in Māori, Polish and English).

Te Ara has been developed out of a FRST-funded research project called, *Te Wehi Nui a Mamao*, led by Associate Professor Kawharu in her capacity as Director at Auckland's James Henare Māori Research Centre, which explored how to maximise Māori youth participation and success in society from a Māori values position.

Links with China

For Wellington paediatrician and Senior Lecturer Dr Thorsten Stanley, increasing contact with China is opening the door to interesting new clinical and research opportunities.

Over the last year he has developed extensive relationships with clinicians in Wellington's sister city of Xiamen, on the coast north of Hong Kong.

"I went to a conference there three years ago, then visited the Xiamen Hospital and was impressed by the efficiency and the number of patients clinicians see every day," Dr Stanley says.

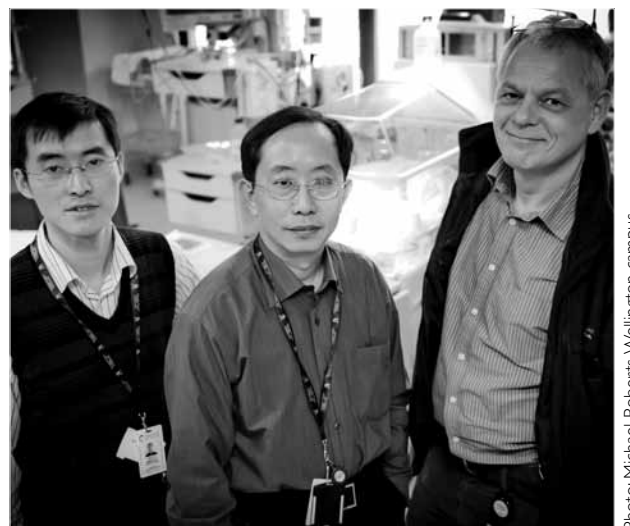
But Dr Stanley also noticed the hospital was not always achieving similar paediatric outcomes to New Zealand, despite having good equipment and services. He found the clinicians were very keen to learn more about New Zealand's approaches to diagnosis and treatment, and subsequently arranged for a neonatologist and an obstetrician to visit the Wellington campus for two months last year.

"It went very well indeed, they learned a lot and were very grateful for their experience. What struck me is how hard they worked, often well into the night, and the sense of obligation they had to us, and their community back in China."

Xiamen Hospital has sent two more clinicians this year, with the Wellington campus providing teaching and clinical contact for their three-month stay.

The reciprocal benefits for New Zealand according to Dr Stanley are three-fold. The fact that Chinese hospitals see very large numbers of patients, many with rare conditions, opens up future collaborative research, he says. New Zealand can also learn from some of the traditional medicines used in China for thousands of years, and by collaborating with a different culture, new clinical approaches and alternatives may be found.

"An example of this is that one of the solutions to cot death came from China, where it is virtually unknown, because babies sleep on their backs. So we shouldn't assume that we have all the answers and can't learn something from the Chinese."



Dr Mingxue Liu (left) and Dr Nanzhu Li with Dr Thorsten Stanley during a recent visit to the Wellington campus.

Photo: Michael Roberts, Wellington campus

PEOPLE

UNsung HEROES

Charity begins at office

This month's **Unsung Hero** is **Sally Campbell** from **Payroll Services**, who has been nominated by her **Jamieson Building** colleagues for her untiring fundraising for charities (and her special efforts to mark co-workers' birthdays).



Cookies for charity: Unsung Hero Sally Campbell (left) with Human Resources colleagues Aileen Eckhoff, Gavin Lord and Barry Jones.

Almost every Monday morning Mrs Campbell brings her baking into the Jamieson tearoom to help raise funds for a wide variety of charitable causes that range from local to international. For a donation, colleagues can enjoy her homemade cookies, slices or pieces of cake or have a cutting from her garden. Recent causes Mrs Campbell has raised funds for include Bravo breast cancer awareness, the Orokonui Ecosanctuary, the Pakistan floods, and the earthquakes in Haiti and Canterbury.

Mrs Campbell, who has worked in payroll administration at the University since 1995, was also a key organiser of this year's highly successful Human Resources Annual Foodbank collection appeal. She has also volunteered as an usher at graduation ceremonies for the past several years.

One of the several co-workers who nominated her wrote that "Sally is one of the most genuinely kind-hearted people I have ever had the pleasure to meet and does for others with a selfless humility that is rare".

An example of her kind-heartedness is the special efforts she goes to in recognising colleagues' birthdays, especially 'big-oh' ones such as 40 or 50. Mrs Campbell organises a morning tea, card and gift and the person arrives at work to find their desk decorated with balloons, banners and the numerals for the birthday.

If you know someone who makes a difference on campus and should be celebrated in our Unsung Heroes series, please contact Bulletin Editor Lisa Dick, Email: lisa.dick@otago.ac.nz

Emeritus Professor honoured on 100th birthday

The University celebrated the 100th birthday and contributions of one of its most influential staff members in Nelson last month.

Emeritus Professor John Mackie's contributions to the University began in 1947 when he took up a temporary position as a lecturer in Mine Surveying, and his influence is still felt through the generations of students he taught.

John Mackie's birthday celebrations, organised by Development and Alumni Relations, attracted more than 100 guests, including the then Mayor of Nelson Kerry Marshall and Minister for the Environment and Climate Change Issues Dr Nick Smith.

Head of Alumni Relations Alison Finigan says Professor Mackie's contributions to the University were profound and wide-ranging.

"He oversaw the running of New Zealand's only School of Mines at a crucial time in its history, and made a huge impression on the cohort of students who went through during his time, which has meant these people feel a strong affinity to Otago."

Professor Mackie rewrote texts to bring them into the modern age. He also set up the first Surveying Department in New Zealand, which has since become the National School of Surveying.

To acknowledge these contributions, and also to capture some of the stories of the times, which include memories of student life in the 50s and 60s, the University put together a Festschrift which was presented at the celebrations.

Awards and achievements

Associate Professor **Tony Poole** of Medical and Surgical Sciences has gained a prestigious James Cook Research Fellowship. The two-year fellowship will allow him to further his study of primary cilia and their role in health and disease. James Cook Research Fellowships are awarded to researchers who have achieved national and international recognition in their area.

Professor **Richie Poulton** of the Dunedin Multidisciplinary Health and Development Research Unit has been elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand. Professor Poulton was one of 12 Fellows elected to the Society this year, an honour given to top researchers who have shown distinction in research or the advancement of science,

technology or the humanities.

College of Education Dean Professor **Helen May** has been made an Honorary Fellow of the New Zealand Educational Institute. The award is given to those who are well respected by their peers and who have made an outstanding contribution to education.

University of Otago Emeritus Professor Sir **Alan Mark** has received the 2010 Charles Fleming Award for Environmental Achievement. Sir Alan, who is an Emeritus Professor of Botany, is regarded as New Zealand's leading environmental scientist and conservationist. The Charles Fleming Award is for protection of the New Zealand environment.

RESEARCH

Developing a urine test for Prostate cancer

One in six men is likely to experience prostate cancer in their lifetime, yet current testing can be inaccurate and invasive with ongoing side-effects. In our occasional Otago Innovation series meet those aiming to meet the intense demand for an accurate urine test.

Anatomy and Structural Biology Senior Researcher Dr Jo-Ann Stanton is working closely with Otago Innovation's Dr Alexandra (Alex) Tickle, searching for a partner to assess the viability of RNA biomarkers for use in a urine test for the early diagnosis of prostate cancer.

The biomarkers were discovered when Dr Stanton and Dr Stephen Assinder (who has since moved to the University of Sydney) conducted an analysis of international prostate tissue libraries and came up with a list of potential prostate biomarkers (specific RNA which indicate the presence of prostate cancer). After a screening and testing process, they narrowed the list down to a set of biomarkers that could be picked up in urine tests.

"We did a very simple clinical trial with 10 patients and narrowed the list down to a particularly promising chromosome. That's where Alex first came in, helping us file our patent on a RNA biomarker related to chromosome 8q23," Dr Stanton says.

"We know we can pick it up in urine, we know RNA is expressed in prostate cells, but we need a partner to help us do a further, thorough clinical investigation to determine if the marker is of clinical or diagnostic value.

"Ideally the partner will already be interested in men's health, with access to sizeable prostate tissue collections and experience in RNA assay development. They should also have a good number of patients so they will be able to develop the test alongside their usual client testing."

Dr Tickle has already found potential collaborators in Canada, Germany and Auckland.

"Demand for a urine test is strong and competition to develop one is intense," Dr Tickle says. "Blood tests are often non-specific and inaccurate. Eighty per cent of prostate biopsies don't detect the cancer, they are invasive and can have side effects of impotence and incontinence. Some of the advantages of a prostate-specific biomarker urine test are early diagnosis, distinction from benign disease, it is non-invasive, and unnecessary biopsies are prevented."



Anatomy and Structural Biology Senior Researcher Dr Jo-Ann Stanton (left) and Dr Alex Tickle of Otago Innovation hope to develop a urine test for prostate cancer.

"Demand for a urine test is strong and competition to develop one is intense."

International collaboration given support

A world authority in the field of single molecular magnetism, Professor Annie Powell of the University of Karlsruhe in Germany, has received the Royal Society of New Zealand Julius von Haast Fellowship for 2010 to 2013 to work with colleagues at Otago.

Under the Fellowship, she will visit the University of Otago every year from 2011 to 2013, and be hosted in the Department of Chemistry by Professor Sally Brooker.

Professor Brooker has had a long-standing collaboration with Professor Powell, and says the opportunity to work face-to-face for extended periods of time will be invaluable for their research.

Single molecular magnets – aggregations of metal ions – can

be used to process or store information, and could eventually replace silicon chips in computers.

"Magnets capable of functioning on a molecular level would, for example, allow computational power to be increased to such a degree that the calculation capabilities of an average laptop computer would easily equal those currently performed by large PC clusters," Professor Brooker explains.

While she stresses that the research is not yet at that point, it has important future applications.

She says working with Professor Powell will allow the teams to combine their different and specialised expertise towards a common goal of creating tuned single molecule magnet entities.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Research gives a ringing endorsement for cats to wear bell collars to reduce their native bird catch.

Cat bell collars save birds

A finding by Zoology researchers that domestic cats wearing bell collars in urban areas could lead to a halving of the numbers of native birds they catch and kill made the news recently.

Dr **Yolanda van Heezik** and Dr **Christoph Matthaei** and Zoology Honours student **Jo Gordon** studied cats known by their owners to be prolific hunters.

They asked owners of 37 Dunedin cats to record the number of prey caught and brought back home during a six-week period while wearing a belled collar, and during another six-week period without a belled collar.

They found that cats caught fewer birds while wearing the belled collar. The research was published in the Australian

journal *Wildlife Research*.

In total during the six-week study, the cats not wearing the collar caught 378 animals, including 82 birds. When the cats wore bells, they caught only 41 birds.

“This study shows it is worthwhile for domestic cats to wear bells and would go some way towards reducing the huge numbers of native birds cats catch,” Dr van Heezik said. “It won’t eliminate the problem completely, but it’s a start.”

Previous studies have shown that domestic cats kill tens of thousands of native birds each year in New Zealand.

14 – 16 Oct *Daily News, ODT, NZPA, The Press, NZ Herald Southland Times, 3 News, Radio Rhema News*

Tobacco phase-out call

A call by Wellington campus researchers for cigarette sales to be phased out in New Zealand attracted Trans-Tasman media coverage recently.

In a presentation to a health conference in Sydney and an article in the journal *Tobacco Control* the Department of Public Health researchers argued that nearly all smoking could be halted over the next decade by the government imposing increasingly tight limits on the supply of commercial tobacco.

They suggested a government-led strategy of six monthly 5 per cent reductions in the amount of tobacco released to the market for sale. Tobacco manufacturers would periodically bid to the government for quota to allow sales.

Pharmaceutical products to deliver nicotine would be allowed, and would be

made easier to access, while home-grown tobacco for personal use would remain legal.

Dr **George Thomson** said setting a clear end-date for commercial tobacco sales would be one of the best incentives for quitting.

“In addition, quitting would be further encouraged by tobacco prices rising to high levels, as supply diminished.”

Professor **Richard Edwards** noted that research evidence from New Zealand surveys and in-depth discussions have found wide support for comprehensive actions to end the tobacco smoking epidemic among smokers and non-smokers.

8 Oct *Canberra Times, Press, Daily News, NZPA, RNZ News, Morning Report, NewsTalk ZB News, Radio Rhema News*

Alcohol affordability

Wellington campus research on the increasing affordability of alcohol in New Zealand gained wide attention earlier this month.

Department of Public Health researchers Dr **Fiona Gunasekara** and Associate Professor **Nick Wilson** found that over the last decade the relative cost of alcohol has dropped steadily as average wages have risen.

In 1999, based on the average hourly earnings in relation to the cost of beer, it took 21 minutes to pay for the alcohol intake required to reach the legal driving limit, whereas in 2009 it took only 17 minutes.

The research appeared in the *New Zealand Medical Journal*.

Associate Professor Wilson said their analysis suggested alcohol is now probably the cheapest recreational drug in New Zealand and has become increasingly affordable, at the same time as concern about our binge drinking culture has grown.

The researchers also noted that the problem of more affordable alcohol is being exacerbated by heavily advertised discounting by supermarkets and liquor stores. They found that discount cask wine can be purchased for as low as 62 cents per standard drink in terms of alcohol content, bottled wine at 65c and spirits at 78c per standard drink, and beer at 64c.

By way of comparison the researchers noted that a 250ml glass of milk costs somewhat less at 43c and bottled water somewhat more at 67c a glass.

15 – 20 Oct *Dom Post, NZ Herald, Press, Manawatu Standard, NewsTalk ZB News, ONE News, Breakfast, ODT, RadioLIVE News, Māori TV, 3 News, PRIME News, Bay of Plenty Times, Nelson Mail, Marlborough Express, Waikato Times, Hawkes Bay Today, Gisborne Herald, Southland Times, NZPA*

Notices for all Staff

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The *Otago Bulletin* website has an electronic template.

If you wish to enter a seminar in the Diary of Events, place a notice in the General Notices, enter courses in Professional Development or insert an advert in Classified adverts then please go to:

www.otago.ac.nz/news/bulletin

Then go to your category and enter the details required on the template.

Preview it, so you know what it looks like and send it.

If you have any concerns about the template or any difficulties please contact the Editor, Ph: 479 4378, Email: bulletin.editor@otago.ac.nz

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

For information on upcoming research funding rounds please visit the Research and Enterprise Office website: www.otago.ac.nz/research/otago004140.html – information updated weekly.

If you would like the Research Opportunities emailed out to you weekly, you can join the ResearchInfo List. You can subscribe to the list by going to <http://lists.otago.ac.nz/listinfo/researchinfo> and enter in your email address, your name, and then click on 'Subscribe'. If you have any problems subscribing please contact the Research Office.

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RELEASE OF REVIEW REPORTS

The following Review Reports have now been authorised for release: Executive Programmes, Academic Committees Office, BCom Programme. For further information, please contact Megan Wilson (Reviews and Projects Coordinator), Ph: 479 6528, Email: m.wilson@otago.ac.nz.

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT PAYMENT DATES FOR NOV 2010

NZ supplier invoices dated Oct 2010 or earlier will be paid on 29 Nov 2010. To be included in this run invoices need to be received by the Accounts Department no later than 5pm on 24 Nov 2010.

NZ supplier invoices with payment terms of 14 or seven days, who are paid by direct credit, will be paid on 1 and 15 Nov (close-off being 5pm the previous Wed).

Staff reimbursements will be paid on 2, 16 and 30 Nov 2010.

Non-staff reimbursements will be paid on 9 and 23 Nov 2010.

Close-off for both of the above payment run types will be 5pm the previous Thu.

Petty cash reimbursement cheques will be paid weekly on a Wed (close-off being 5pm the previous Mon).

Other cheque payments will be made at the end of the month. (Please note the University's preferred method of payment is by direct credit).

Foreign currency creditors will be paid during the week commencing 1 and 15 Nov 2010. To be included in these runs invoices need to be received by 5pm the prior Wed.

Any queries please contact Tracy Geddes, Ph: 479 8226 or Graeme Pettitt, Ph: 479 8230.

SURVEY OF ACADEMIC STAFF – ACADEMIC CAREERS AT OTAGO

We invite academic staff to participate in an online survey about academic employment at the University of Otago. We are investigating factors that help or hinder career progression for academic staff and whether any of these factors are gendered. You should have received an email asking you to participate and we would be grateful if you would follow the link to the online survey. It takes approximately 20 minutes to complete and your contribution will be confidential and anonymous both to the research team and in the results – you will only be identified by your academic division. The results will be reported via University forums.

If you would like to know more, or have not received the invitation email, please feel free to contact one of the team members:

Dr Rebecca Stringer (Anthropology, Gender and Sociology), Ph: 479 8759

Dr Dianne Smith (Higher Education Development Centre), Ph: 479 5362

Associate Professor Rachel Spronken-Smith (Higher Education Development Centre)

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2011 NATIONAL TERTIARY TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS AND UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Ako Aotearoa organises New Zealand's Tertiary Teaching Excellence Awards: up to 11 of \$20,000 and one Prime Minister's Award of \$30,000. At least two of these awards recognise sustained excellence in tertiary teaching in a kaupapa Māori context and Ako has created a new set of excellence criteria to complement the existing criteria in the general teaching category.

Over the years that awards have been available, the University has nominated many excellent teachers and gained national awards including two Prime Minister's Awards. Ako Aotearoa emphasises that awards are available to teaching teams, not just to excellent individual teachers.

All tertiary education organisations are able to nominate up to four teaching staff (or teaching teams) for awards (no more than three of which may be in the general category). Portfolios, which are the means of supplying evidence in support of nominations, must be submitted to Ako Aotearoa in late March.

In 2004, the Vice-Chancellor established the University of Otago Awards for Teaching Excellence to be given to the Otago nominees whose portfolios are submitted for national awards by the University. Each award now consists of a scroll and \$7500 to be used to support the awardees' learning and teaching research and development.

University of Otago teachers who are interested in applying for nomination should contact Sarah Lines (Personal Assistant to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International)), Ph: 479 8883, Email: sarah.lines@otago.ac.nz for the application guidelines.

They are invited to approach Professor Kerry Shephard (HEDC) for an informal discussion on the processes involved, Ph: 479 8439, Email: kerry.shephard@otago.ac.nz

University of Otago teachers who are interested in applying for nomination in the kaupapa Māori context may in addition seek advice from Janine Kapa (Office of Māori Development), Ph: 027 284 4595 or 479 4916, Email: janine.kapa@otago.ac.nz

Applications for nomination are due by Fri 21 Jan 2011.

THE NEW ZEALAND SOCIAL STATISTICS NETWORK (NZSSN) COURSES

7 to 18 Feb 2011

School of Government, Victoria University of Wellington

The NZSSN summer programme is designed to cater to fundamental, changing and emerging research strategies, and to serve a wide variety of needs for training and professional development within the academic, public and private sectors. Courses cater not only to researchers in the social and political sciences, but also to those in areas such as the behavioural sciences, medical and health sciences, epidemiology, policy research, education, economics, law, management, marketing, public relations and human resource management.

All our short courses are delivered by highly qualified instructors and previous courses have received outstanding reviews.

For more information and to apply go to: www.nzssn.org.nz

Week One: Mon 7 to Fri 11 Feb 2011

Introduction to Statistics

Qualitative Research Techniques

Case Study Research

Introduction to Structural Equation Modelling Using Amos

Applied Computer-Assisted Qualitative Data Analysis Using Nvivo

Introduction to Survey Design

Week Two: Mon 14 to Fri 18 Feb 2011

Intermediate Statistics

Introduction to Program Evaluation

Fundamentals of Multiple Regression

Data Analysis in SPSS

Advanced Structural Equation Modelling Using Longitudinal Data Analysis

*MEDIA COMMUNICATION COURSES

Our research becomes known via the media in all its various forms. Would you feel confident to give an interview with a journalist and tell the world about your ground-breaking research conclusions? Put your name down for a two-hour press, radio and TV training course to improve your media skills. Courses are held on

campus at a time and date to suit. Please contact Senior Communications Adviser Jo Galer, Email: joanne.galer@otago.ac.nz, Ph: 479 8263.

*REGALIA LOAN SCHEME FOR STAFF

The University has a loan scheme to enable staff to purchase academic regalia.

The purpose of the scheme is to encourage and enable staff to participate in University ceremonial occasions.

The scheme is available to all academic staff who have a confirmed or confirmable appointment and any other staff (either academic or general) approved by their Divisional Head.

Details of the scheme are as follows:

- An interest-free loan of up to \$NZ5,000 will be provided to staff for a maximum of two years to assist with the purchase of academic regalia.
- Loans must be repaid in equal monthly instalments by way of direct deduction from salary.
- Full repayment will be required should a staff member leave the employment of the University and authority must be given to the University to deduct any loan balance owing from the final salary payment or any other monies owed to the staff member by the University prior to departure.

Enquiries should be addressed to the undersigned: John Patrick, Chief Operating Officer, Ph: 479 8537, Email: john.patrick@otago.ac.nz

Dunedin

DIARY OF EVENTS

Friday 29 October

The meaning of ditches: The Kuk site, Papua New Guinea highlands, in retrospect – 3:00pm

Anthropology Seminar. Speaker: Dr Tim Bayliss-Smith (De Carle Visiting Lecturer, University of Otago; Reader in Pacific Geography and Fellow of St John's College, University of Cambridge). Venue: Burns 2 Lecture Theatre, Arts Building.

Monday 1 November

Trade Liberalisation and Unemployment:

Theory and Evidence from India – 1:00pm

Economics Seminar. Speaker: Devashish Mitra. Venue: Room CO5.20, Level 5, Commerce Building.

Wednesday 3 November

Fear: Thomas Merton on the root of war – 12:00noon

National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies Public Lecture. Speaker: Professor Paul Dekar. Venue: Moot Court, 10th floor, Richardson Building.

Thursday 4 November

From nucleosome dynamics to nuclear architecture: Single molecule fluorescence and multiscale computer modelling of chromatin structure – 4:00pm

Biochemistry Seminar. Speaker: Professor Jorg Langowski (German Cancer Research Centre,

Heidelberg, Germany). Venue: Room 228, second floor, Biochemistry Building.

Monday 8 November

McAuley Oration: Epidemic Meningitis in Africa. Is the end in sight? – 5:30pm

The Third Annual McAuley Oration. Speaker: Professor Brian Greenwood (Manson Professor of Clinical Tropical Medicine, London School of Hygiene). Venue: Colquhoun Lecture Theatre, Dunedin Public Hospital.

Monday 15 November and Tuesday 16 November

Mobilities Symposium: Towards a Movement-driven Social Science in Aotearoa/New Zealand – 12:30pm to 4:30pm

This multi-disciplinary symposium invited researchers examining questions of im/mobilities research and practice within and across disciplines to join this two-day event. Venue: Commerce Boardroom, 4th Floor, Commerce Building.

Thursday 18 November

Imagine there's no heaven: John Lennon, atheism and the possibility of public theology – 1:00pm

University of Otago Conference for Teachers, Open Lecture. Speaker: Professor Andrew Bradstock (Howard Paterson Professor of Theology and Public Issues). Venue: Moot Court, 10th Floor, Richardson Building.

Research at the Interface: Food Science, Microbiology, Marine Science – 5:30pm

2010 Inaugural Professorial Lecture Series. Speaker: Professor Phil Bremer. Venue: College of Education Auditorium.

Tuesday 23 November

Functional studies of a Tangier Disease mutation

Biochemistry Public Lecture. Speaker: Rachel Brace (Biochemistry). Venue: Room 228, second floor, Biochemistry Building.

Thursday 25 November

Psycolloquy 2010 – 9:00am to 5:00pm

A one-day symposium showcasing research that is being conducted in the Psychology Department by staff and students. Venue: Mark Parker Seminar Room, University College.

Voices from the Scottish Diaspora – 5:15pm

Humanities Open Lecture. Speaker: Professor Marjory Harper (School of Divinity, History and Philosophy, University of Aberdeen, Scotland). Venue: Burns 2 Lecture Theatre, Arts Building.

Friday 26 November

Osr1 and Congenital Nephron Deficit – 1:00pm

Pathology Departmental Seminar. Speaker: Professor Paul Goodyer (Montreal Children's Hospital, McGill University Health Centre, Montreal, Canada). Venue: D'Ath Lecture Theatre, Hercus Building.

Thursday 2 December to Saturday 4 December

Re-Visions: The Joint Conference of the Musicological Society of Australia (MSA) and the New Zealand Musicological Society (NZMS) Music Conference. Venue: St David Street Lecture Theatre and other venues.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

HIGHER EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (HEDC) PROGRAMME FOR ACADEMIC STAFF

Nov – Dec

Please register through the web if you are interested in attending a workshop by going to the HEDC registration page: <http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/listWorkshops.do>

Teaching with Web Applications and Resources

Swee Kin Loke and Jenny McDonald (HEDC)
Mon 8 Nov, 9am to 12noon, HEDC Seminar Room, 65 Union Place West

This workshop aims to help teaching staff make full use of a range of free web resources and applications in educationally-sound ways.

<http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/wsDescription.do?wsDes=263>

Lecturing

Professor Kerry Shephard (HEDC)

Tue 9 Nov, 2pm to 5pm, HEDC Seminar Room, 65 Union Place West

This workshop will use individual and small group activities to identify elements of successful lecturing, and use these features to collectively summarise positive aspects of this approach to support student learning.

<http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/wsDescription.do?wsDes=313>

Evaluating Your Teaching

Dr Sarah Stein (HEDC)

Thu 11 Nov, 10am to 1.30pm, HEDC Seminar Room, 65 Union Place West

This workshop will provide an introduction to evaluation and the role it can play in informing teaching and learning.

<http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/wsDescription.do?wsDes=312>

DISTAID Programme 2010, Compulsory Module 5: Services and support. Get them and keep them - supporting distance students and you (audio-conference)

Dr Sarah Stein (HEDC) and Dr Bill Anderson (Distance Learning)

Thu 18 Nov, 10am to 12noon, HEDC Seminar Room, 65 Union Place West

By the end of this workshop you will know how to find help in distance teaching when you need it, and how to help distance students get the advice, services and support they need.

<http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/wsDescription.do?wsDes=251>

HEDC WOMEN'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Please register through the web if you wish to attend the Professional Development Programme or to check upcoming HEDC events. To register please go to:

<http://hedc.otago.ac.nz/workshops/listWorkshops.do>

Planning for Promotion

Facilitator: Associate Professor Rachel Spronken-Smith

Thu 2 Dec, 9am to 12noon
Centre for Innovation Seminar Room

Promotion does not just happen. You need to plan for it, and this workshop is aimed at assisting junior academic women to do that. Professor Vernon Squire (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International)) who convenes the Staffing Advisory Committee will open the workshop by giving an overview of the promotion process, the requirements for promotion to each level and what you need to plan for. Two senior academic women will then share their personal reflections on planning for promotion, and finally participants will have time to begin their own planning process. There will be plenty of opportunity for discussion of the key issues with the speakers.

The workshop is aimed at women who are relatively early in their career and at Lecturer level.

Aiming for Promotion to Professor?

Facilitator: Associate Professor Rachel Spronken-Smith

Thu 2 Dec, 2pm to 3.30pm
Centre for Innovation Seminar Room

This workshop is aimed at assisting women who are at Associate Professor level to plan ahead for promotion to Professor. Professor Vernon Squire (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International)) who convenes the Staffing Advisory Committee will lead this discussion-based workshop. He will be assisted by a couple of women who have made it to Professor level.

HUMAN RESOURCES TRAINING PROGRAMME

A full list of courses and application forms can be found on the web at: www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/staffdevelopment/TrainingandDevelopment/courses.html or Email: hrtraining@otago.ac.nz. For enrolment enquiries contact Katherine van der Vliet on Ph: 479 4101.

Managing Unproductive Employee Behaviour

This course focuses on the more serious types of unproductive behaviour and helps supervisors and managers develop skills to deal effectively with these concerns.

www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/hr/development/coursesPages/manage_unprod.php

Date: Thu 4 Nov
Time: 9am to 12.30pm
Cost: \$35

Project Coordination: Demystifying the process

This course will give participants techniques and tools for coordinating small scale projects

www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/hr/development/coursesPages/project_coord.php

Date: Wed 17 Nov
Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm
Cost: \$35

English@Work: Report writing

This course will focus on developing the writing skills required to author formal, extended prose documents such as reports, proposals or submissions.

www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/hr/development/coursesPages/english_reports.php

Dates: Thu 18 Nov, 2pm to 4pm AND Thu 25 Nov, 2pm to 5pm (participants must attend both sessions)

Cost: \$80

Parental Leave Information Seminar for Prospective and Intending Parents

This information seminar is intended for expectant or intending parents who wish to know more about the University of Otago's Parental Leave Policy and managing parenthood and work.

The seminar is broken into two sessions.

Session one will focus on policy and entitlements.

Session two will focus on the practical aspects of managing parenthood.

www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/staffdevelopment/TrainingandDevelopment/coursesPages/parental_parents.html

Session one

Date: Thu 18 Nov
Time: 12noon to 1pm

Session two

Date: Thu 25 Nov
Time: 12noon to 1pm

Health and Safety Responsibilities for Supervisors

This course addresses supervisor and manager responsibilities with regards to relevant health and safety legislation and introduces participants to the University health and safety management systems.

www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/hr/development/coursesPages/health_safety.php

Date: Tue 23 Nov
Time: 9.30am to 12noon
Cost: No charge

HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

A full list of courses and application forms can be found on the web at: www.otago.ac.nz/healthandsafety/training/index.html. Please download application forms from the web at: www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/staffdevelopment/TrainingandDevelopment/courses.html or Email: hrtraining@otago.ac.nz. For enrolment enquiries please contact Katherine van der Vliet, Ph: 479 4101.

Fire Warden

Fire Wardens and Deputy Fire Wardens must be appointed on every floor within every University building. All staff appointed as Fire Wardens or Deputy Fire Wardens should attend this course. The course will provide participants with an understanding of fire behaviour, basic survival techniques, evacuation of buildings involved in fire and the correct use of extinguishers.

www.otago.ac.nz/healthandsafety/training/firewardens.html

Date: To be advised (Dec 2010)

Time: To be advised

Cost: \$20

Workplace First Aid

The Workplace First Aid course is a comprehensive 16-hour course and is the minimum requirement for those appointed as the Departmental First Aider. The Workplace First Aid certificates must be revalidated every two years (within three months of expiry of the Workplace First Aid certificate) by completing the Refresher First Aid course.

www.otago.ac.nz/healthandsafety/training/workplace_firstaid.html

Dates: Wed 8 and Thu 9 Dec

Time: 8.30am to 5pm

Cost: \$95

Refresher First Aid

This course is for holders of Standard/Workplace First Aid certificates (16-hour courses). As treatments and techniques are constantly updated, it is recommended that a refresher course be undertaken every two years, and to remain current, you must complete the refresher course within three months of the expiry of your Workplace First Aid certificate. Failure to do so will require completing the Workplace First Aid two-day course to become revalidated.

www.otago.ac.nz/healthandsafety/training/refresher_firstaid.html

Date: Fri 10 Dec

Time: 8.30am to 5pm

Cost: \$60

FINANCIAL SERVICES TRAINING

The full Financial Services Division's (FSD) 2010 training programme is on the FSD webpage <http://www.otago.ac.nz/financialservices/training/index.html>. For training module enquiries or registration contact fsd.training@otago.ac.nz. Upcoming sessions include:

FN 1.1 Finance One Administrators' Overview

An introduction to Finance One for staff with 'Administrator' access. This is a hands-on course where staff will learn how to navigate their way around Finance One and process Creditors, Debtors and Journal documents. The training will be performed on the Training environment using Training logins.

Note: Staff need to complete the Application for Finance One User form (available on the FSD webpage: www.otago.ac.nz/financialservices/FSDForms/index.html)

and attend FN 1.1 training prior to gaining 'Administrator' access to Finance One

Module time: Wed 10 Nov, 9am to 12noon

FN 1.4 Finance One Purchasing and Fixed Assets

An introduction to Finance One Purchasing and Fixed Assets. This hands-on session can be attended in full or part depending on the attendees' needs. Purchasing begins at 9am, Assets begins at approximately 11am.

Purchasing: Attendees will navigate their way around the Purchasing workplace on Finance One, and learn how to create, approve, amend and receipt purchase orders in Finance One Purchasing.

Fixed Assets: Attendees will learn how to create and query Fixed Assets within Finance One.

Module time: Wed 17 Nov, 9am to 12noon

FN 1.5 Finance One Ledger Reporting (Level 2)

This is a detailed session on running reports in Finance One using the enquiry screen, EIE screen and standard XLOne reports. This is a hands-on session where attendees get practical experience in running their own Finance One ledger reports. An open question session will also be included where questions relating to reports can be asked.

Prerequisites: Users must have attended FN 1.2 (Finance One Enquiry and Reporting Overview) and had at least three months' Finance One Enquiry Only experience.

Module time: Thu 18 Nov, 9am to 11am

FN 2.5 Cash Management and Receipting

This module covers Departmental banking procedures including GST (Goods and Services Tax) requirements on receipts and credit and debit card payments. The Credit Card Gateway system (which enables Departments to set up a secure mechanism for credit card payments) is also explained.

Module time: Mon 8 Nov, 11am to 12noon

FN 2.6 Journal Training Workshop

A comprehensive Journal training for staff with Finance One Administrator access. This course will provide an in-depth look into Journal treatments. Trainees will review common Journal errors in a Finance One environment.

Prerequisites: Trainees are expected to be familiar with Finance One, and have attended FN 1.1 Finance One Administrators' Overview.

Module time: Wed 10 Nov, 9am to 11am

FN 2.11 Administering Commercial Activities

This module is intended to introduce and explain the policy of commercial activities, provide guidance on what constitutes a commercial activity, the expectations for these activities, and an overview of the registration and reporting requirements. The University's Overhead Policy is also explained.

Module time: Thu 11 Nov, 2pm to 3pm

FN 3.2 Resource Allocation

An introduction and overview of resource allocation including the sources of funds and the distribution to Divisions/Departments.

Module time: Fri 12 Nov, 10am to 11am

IT TRAINING

Excel 2007 - Lists and Formulas

Mon 1 Nov, 10am to 12noon, \$90

Learn how to manage lists, filter and sort with Excel 2007. Understand the basics of how to create formulas and work with functions.

Platform: This class is taught on Windows

Filemaker - Relationships

Mon 1 Nov, 1pm to 3pm, \$90

Recent versions of the Filemaker database have included the ability to define relations between different tables in the database. This course works through the process of defining and using relationships.

Platform: This class is taught on Macintosh, but the techniques and software are the same as Windows

Blackboard - New Features

Wed 3 Nov, 12noon to 1pm, No Charge

This demonstration highlights changes you will see in Blackboard after the Dec 2010 upgrade.

Blackboard - Introduction

Thu 4 Nov, 1pm to 4pm, No Charge

Learn about logins, announcements, course documents, tasks, calendar events and communication through Blackboard. Get hands-on practice from the perspective of both a student and a tutor.

Platform: This class is taught on the Web, so works in the same way on most web browser programs.

Intensive Keyboard Skills

Mon 8 Nov to Fri 26 Nov (three weeks), 1pm to 3pm, No Charge

Learn to touch-type using a Typing package, regular supervised typing practice and daily progress checks. This course also covers health and safety issues.

Platform: This class is taught on Windows, but the techniques are the same on the Macintosh

Business Objects - Introduction

Wed 10 Nov, 1pm to 2pm, No Charge

Business Objects (formerly Crystal Enterprise) allows staff to generate reports using a web browser and save the data for further manipulation. Run a sample report and export the data. You MUST have your username activated for Business Objects access before you attend this class (ask ITS Helpdesk).

Platform: This class is taught on the Web, so works in the same way on most web browser programs

Word 2008 - Tabs, Tables and Lists

Thu 11 Nov, 1pm to 3pm, No Charge

Learn to use the different tab stops available effectively, how to insert and modify tables, create bulleted and numbered lists and document outlines.

Platform: This class is taught on Macintosh

Blackboard - New Features

Thu 11 Nov, 1pm to 2pm, No Charge

This demonstration highlights changes you will see in Blackboard after the Dec 2010 upgrade

Word 2007 - Mail Merge and Label Printing

Fri 12 Nov, 9am to 11am, \$90

Personalise form letters and certificates, print envelopes or produce labels using data from within Word or from an external source.

Platform: This class is taught on Windows

Excel 2008 - Creating Spreadsheets

Mon 15 Nov, 10am to 12noon, No Charge

Learn the basics of Excel 2008 - add data, spreadsheet navigation, inserting and deleting cells, and saving data.

Platform: This class is taught on Macintosh

Access 2007 - Queries and Relationships

Tue 16 Nov, 9am to 11am, \$90

Learn how to build an efficient user interface including defining relationships between tables, building forms that display related information, and building queries that search across multiple tables.

Platform: This class is taught on Windows

GENERAL NOTICES

PREVIOUS KNEE INJURY?

Determine your thigh muscle strength scientifically.

The School of Physiotherapy is looking for participants to assess muscle strength and movement forces across the knee during walking and stair climbing in different footwear. To participate, all we require is that you: are between 18-50 years old, have incurred a knee injury (ACL, ligament and/or cartilage injury) within the past three years that needed treatment by a healthcare professional, can attend a session in the Biomechanics Lab entailing walking and stair climbing in different pairs of shoes, strength test of your thigh muscles and are available for two hours.

If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact us.

For further information, please contact Dr Marina Moss (Clinical Research Administrator), Ph: 479 4979, Email: clinicalresearch.physio@otago.ac.nz.

FILM PREMIERES

Fri 19 and Sat 20 Nov, 7pm
St David Lecture Theatre

The Centre for Science Communication presents the world premiere of films produced by the graduating class of 2010, including a taster from our writing and popularising science students. Six films will be shown.

Check out information on www.sciencecommunication.info/

Tickets \$5, door sales available. Advance ticket sales through the Centre for Science Communication, 303a Great King Street, Ph: 479 7939.

For further information, please contact Sue Harvey (Manager), Ph: 479 7939, Email: sue.harvey@otago.ac.nz.

*CHRISTMAS FUNCTIONS AT THE EXECUTIVE RESIDENCE

Planning a staff or Christmas function, let us help you. Email execres@otago.ac.nz with your requirements.

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB (INC) MERCURE LEISURE LODGE, DUKE STREET

The University Club provides for its members speakers of good quality, a luncheon and friendly companionship on a weekly basis.

Luncheon Speakers Nov/Dec

12.10pm for 12.30pm

Fri 29 Oct

Lyndsey Garden (Music Librarian, Southern Sinfonia)

The Southern Sinfonia. As it was in the beginning, is now and (hopefully), ever shall be.

Fri 5 Nov

Ron Anderson (Founder and Director, Arrow Group)

Arrow, 25 years on

Fri 12 Nov

Sam Lucas (Research Fellow, Physiology Department, University of Otago)

A research trip to the Himalayas

Fri 19 Nov

Dave Butler-Peck (Assistant Manager and Education Coordinator, Trade Aid)

The work and achievements of Trade Aid since 1973

Fri 26 Nov

Fiona Hyland (Heritage Rose Otago member)

How to read a Victorian Cemetery

Fri 3 Dec

Dave Campbell (Area Controller, Dunedin and Clutha Police)

Policing directions in New Zealand for the 21st century

Fri 10 Dec

Ross Grimmett (Club Member)

A Feast of Art for Christmas

To come as a guest – contact: Alan Jackson: Secretary, 55 Evans Street, Opoho, Dunedin, 9010, or Ph: 473 6947, or Email: alanjackson@xtra.co.nz

OTAGO UNIVERSITY STAFF FAMILIES ASSOCIATION WELCOMES NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS

We run a varied social programme each semester for university staff members, their partners and families. We particularly welcome newcomers and visitors to the University. For more information contact Lesley Gillespie (Ph: 467 5174, Email: lesley.gillespie@yahoo.co.nz), or Jennifer Angelo (Ph: 021 243 5813, Email: jangelo@jangelo.com), or please just come along to any of the events listed below.

4 Nov at 10.30am

Coffee at the home of Heather Walton, 59A Murray Street, Kew (Ph: 487 9144).

11 Nov at 10.30am

Visit the Beautiful Garden of Virginia Theis 186 Doctors Point Road, Waitati.

Virginia's established garden is in a lovely setting with views of Blueskin Bay. The usual refreshments will be provided. Phone Lesley for directions, or if you would like a lift.

18 Nov at 10.30am

Coffee at the home of Anne Coombs, 6 Tolcarne Avenue, Maori Hill (Ph: 467 5699).

We will accept payment for the Annual Lunch at this meeting.

25 Nov at 11.45am for 12.30pm

Annual Lunch at TECHNIQUE Training Restaurant, Harbour Terrace.

Meet and mingle from 11.45am, the buffet lunch will be served at 12.30pm. There will be a vegetarian option. Soft drinks or alcoholic beverages can be purchased at the bar. Wine can be bought by the glass, or some of you may prefer to buy a bottle to share.

Please RSVP to Lesley Gillespie (Ph: 467 5174 or Email: lesley.gillespie@yahoo.co.nz) by Fri 19 Nov at the latest.

Cheques for \$30 made out to OUSFA should be sent to Lesley at 8 Como Street, Maori Hill, Dunedin 9010 before the lunch, along with a completed form.

SITUATIONS VACANT

ACADEMIC VACANCIES

Senior Lecturer (Gastroenterology) and Consultant Gastroenterologist

Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences
Dunedin School of Medicine and Otago District Health Board
(Confirmation Path)

Reference Number: A08/08

Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Senior Lecturer or Research Fellow/Senior Research Fellow

Section of Medicine
Dunedin School of Medicine

Reference Number: A10/17

Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Senior Lecturer in Orthodontics

Department of Oral Sciences
School of Dentistry
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/34
Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Senior Lecturer in Orthodontics

Department of Oral Sciences
School of Dentistry
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/91
Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Postdoctoral Fellow

Department of Chemistry
(Fixed-term)
Reference Number: A10/122
Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Lecturer in Geology

Department of Geology
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/74
Closing Date: Mon 1 Nov 2010

Lecturer in Music

Department of Music
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/101
Closing Date: Mon 1 Nov 2010

Lecturer in Australian History

Department of History and Art History
(Fixed-term)
Reference Number: A10/109
Closing Date: Fri 12 Nov 2010

Teaching Fellows

School of Physical Education
(Fixed-term, Half-time)
Reference Number: A10/113
Closing Date: Fri 19 Nov 2010

Lecturer in Marine Science

Department of Marine Science
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/114
Closing Date: Fri 10 Dec 2010

Postdoctoral Fellow

Anatomy and Structural Biology
Otago School of Medical Sciences
(Fixed-term)
Reference Number: A10/115
Closing Date: Tue 16 Nov 2010

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer

Department of Mathematics and Statistics
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/116
Closing Date: Tue 30 Nov 2010

Lecturer in Pure Mathematics

Department of Mathematics and Statistics
(Confirmation Path)
Reference Number: A10/117
Closing Date: Tue 30 Nov 2010

Dietetic Tutor – Auckland

Dietetic Training Programme
Department of Human Nutrition
(Fixed-term)
Reference Number: A10/118
Closing Date: Fri 5 Nov 2010

Professional Practice Fellow

Department of General Practice
Dunedin School of Medicine
(Part-time)
Reference Number: A10/121
Closing Date: Mon 22 Nov 2010

GENERAL VACANCIES**General Practitioner**

Student Health Services
(Full-time or Part-time)
Reference Number: G10/452
Closing Date: There is no formal closing date and applications will be considered individually on receipt.

Director, Policy and Programmes

Health Sciences Divisional Office
Reference Number: G10/581
Closing Date: Mon 8 Nov 2010

Software Tester and Computing Support Administrator

Project Office
Academic Services
Reference Number: G10/586
Closing Date: Fri 5 Nov 2010

Receptionist

Clinical Services
School of Dentistry
Reference Number: G10/587
Closing Date: Wed 3 Nov 2010

Library Assistant

(Law Library)
University Library
Reference Number: G10/589
Closing Date: Fri 12 Nov 2010

Manager, Administration and Finance

School of Pharmacy
Reference Number: G10/590
Closing Date: Wed 3 Nov 2010

Examination Officer

Student Administration
Academic Services
(Part-time)
Reference Number: G10/591
Closing Date: Mon 8 Nov 2010

Group Leader

Student Administration
Academic Services
Reference Number: G10/592
Closing Date: Mon 8 Nov 2010

Electron Microscopy Technician

Anatomy and Structural Biology
Otago School of Medical Sciences
Reference Number: G10/593
Closing Date: Wed 17 Nov 2010

Research Assistant (Organic Chemistry)

Department of Chemistry
(Fixed-term)
Reference Number: G10/595
Closing Date: Wed 10 Nov 2010

CAMPUS TEMPS

Experienced general administrators required for temporary assignments. Wide variety of both roles and assignment duration available. If interested, please view further information online and apply via – www.otago.ac.nz/humanresources/campustemps/

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Send applications to the Human Resources Division, Email: job.applications@otago.ac.nz, Fax: 03 479 8279. With each application, please include an application form, an EEO information form, a covering letter and your curriculum vitae. The forms and a full job description are available at www.otago.ac.nz/jobs Alternatively, contact the Human Resources Division, Ph: 03 479 8269, Email: job.applications@otago.ac.nz

Equal opportunity in employment is University policy.

E tautoko ana Te Whare Wānanga o Otago i te kaupapa whakaōrite whiwhinga mahi.

www.otago.ac.nz/jobs

DO NOT send original documents in support of your application – copies are adequate and preferred. Documents will not be returned.

Please complete a separate application form and include a separate copy of your curriculum vitae and supporting documents for each vacancy you wish to apply for.

For ease of processing and to avoid cost and waste, we ask that applications are not presented in folders.

CLASSIFIED**TO LET**

One br, \$165 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Central City. Great studio room in large Victorian house. Available now to 31 Dec and available to renew for 2011. Power and internet included. Under floor heating. Five minutes' walk to town, University, and Moana Pool. Contact Rebecca, Ph: 027 241 4078, Email: vanre228@student.otago.ac.nz

One br, \$250 including power p/w, OSP, part furn, avail: now, area: Ravensbourne. Large, self-contained studio unit. Private, quiet, light, airy and warm. Modern kitchen and bathroom. Adjacent to a family home located in a bush setting where resident cat and dog may be friendly visitors. Contact Ruth, Ph: 470 3843, Email: ruth.sharpe@otago.ac.nz

One br, \$255 and 265 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: Jan 2011, area: Central City. Two spacious, beautifully refurbished, self-contained apartments in a gracious historic house. Private bathrooms and kitchenette. Stunning harbour views. Courtyard garden. Price includes power, phone and weekly service. Twenty minutes' walk to University. Ideal for senior students or staff. Contact Beverley, Ph: 021 159 8275 or 467 9431, Email: beverley.lawrence@otago.ac.nz

One br, \$270 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Central City. Studio apartment. Price includes power. Contact Ashton, Ph: 479 4121, Email: abradley@physics.otago.ac.nz

One br, \$395 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Central City. Contact Ashton, Ph: 479 4121, Email: abradley@physics.otago.ac.nz

Two br, \$250 p/w, unfurn, avail: now, area: Central City. Newly refurbished apartment. Three large rooms (two bedrooms plus lounge or three bedrooms), separate kitchen and laundry. Whiteware. Quiet location within easy walking distance of George Street. Contact Allan, Ph: 472 8725 or 027 605 3181, Email: blackman@alkali.otago.ac.nz

Two br, \$270 p/w, OSP, unfurn, avail: now, area: Dalmore. Home includes large garage with storage, stove, fridge, heat pump and sunroom. Quiet neighbourhood, beautiful garden, great views, close to University. Ideally suited for postgraduate/mature students or professionals. Short- or long-term lease. Contact Lynne, Ph: 473 1550, Email: lynne.baab@otago.ac.nz

Two br, \$295 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: 15 Nov, area: St Clair. Fully equipped, warm, modern townhouse. Quiet location with all-day sun. Garage. No smoking, no pets. Contact Julian, Ph: 027 277 2358, Email: julian.kuzma@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$230 p/w, unfurn, avail: now, area: Central City. Unexpectedly available. Three-bedroom cottage down private lane (off Russell Street). Walk to work. Excellent condition throughout, new carpets. Heat pump, washing machine, vege garden. Suit professional. Contact Catherine, Ph: 479 8615, Email: catherine.fowler@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$300 p/w, OSP, part furn, avail: now, area: Helensburgh. Quality townhouse. All whiteware provided. Includes conservatory, garage and OSP. No smokers or pets. Contact Sandy, Ph: 476 6655.

Three br, \$320 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Maori Hill. Two-storey, three-bedroom, brick house with fourth bedroom/study. Private and quiet, with heat pump, nightstore and fireplace. Mostly furnished. Harbour and city views. Two bathrooms, garage. Close to University and John McGlashan College. No pets. Contact Quin, Ph: 474 5988, Email: qin.sun@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$320 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: 28 Dec, area: Opoho. Large rooms, open-plan lounge/dining, new heat pump, as well as wood burner. Insulated. Includes TV, leather couches, whiteware, kitchenware, some Manchester. Sunny and sheltered. Would suit family, staff or postgraduate students. Near Gardens. Long-term preferred. References required. Contact Ellen, Ph: 021 504 233, Email: ellen.forch@aut.ac.nz

Three br, \$320 p/w, OSP, unfurn, avail: now, area: Waverley. Warm house. Big heat pump, log burner, part double-glazed. Fitted furniture

in every bedroom. Dishwasher. Ocean views. Decks front and rear. Private bush-clad rear section. Native birds. Close to bus route to University. No smokers. Contact Julie, Ph: 455 9975, Email: julie.matthews@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$320 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: from late Dec, area: Opoho. Three large bedrooms, all whiteware, kitchenware and some Manchester included. New heat pump and insulated. Close to sports fields, Botanic Gardens and bus stop. Fully fenced, patio, sunny. No smokers or pets. Suit couple, postgraduate or family. Contact Ellen, Ph: 09 921 9257 or 021 504 233, Email: ellen.forch@aut.ac.nz

Three br, \$350 p/w, fully furn, avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: back of Roslyn Hill. Three-bedroom home on private dead-end road. Sunny with views over Wakari and Glenross. Professional furnishings, new fridge and washing machine, two TVs, large chest freezer, stereo. Private gardens including vege garden. Fully fenced section, large deck with outdoor furniture and gas BBQ. Thirty minute walk to University, five minute walk to Roslyn shops. Pets allowed, minimum six-month lease preferred. Contact Annette, Email: annetteswale@gmail.com

Three br, \$350p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Opoho/North East Valley. Safe, sunny, warm house. Easy access, handy to University, schools and Gardens Shopping Centre. Very good bus service. Broadband, power and phone connected. No smokers or pets. Contact Michelle, Email: michelle.mccann@otago.ac.nz

Four br, \$320 p/w, OSP, unfurn, avail: now, area: Caversham. Two-storey, four-bedroom home with separate large office. Large log burner in the open-plan living and dining area. Fully fenced, easy-care section with large deck that get loads of sun. In a nice, quiet neighbourhood. No smokers, pets negotiable. Contact Arlene, Ph: 022 623 1171, Email: arlene.ozanne@otago.ac.nz

Five br, \$450.00 p/w, unfurn, avail: now, area: Central City. Large, newly refurbished apartment. Six very large rooms (five bedrooms, one lounge), separate kitchen and laundry. Whiteware included. Quiet location within easy walking distance to George Street. Contact Allan, Ph: 472 8725 or 027 605 3181, Email: blackman@alkali.otago.ac.nz

WANTED TO RENT

Three br, \$Neg p/w, part furn, OSP, avail: Early Jan 2011 is best, but between Nov and Feb OK, area: any, though with view preferred. University couple with four-year-old seek long-term rental. Ideal home would be very warm with modern design and appliances, sunny and light, three bedrooms, deck/yard, OSP, storage. Very responsible and tidy. Furnishings negotiable. References and deposit ready. Contact Gautam, Email: gautam.ghosh@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$300 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: Maori Hill. Professional couple on short research visit from United States (with

two children), require short-term housesit or rental from approximately 1 Jan to 23 Jan 2011. Close to University preferred, but any location considered. Contact Catriona, Email: catriona.hurd@botany.otago.ac.nz

One br, \$150-180 p/w, OSP, unfurn, avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: Dunedin. Quiet, mature staff member requires one-bedroom house or unit for 2011, potentially long-term. Walking distance to campus preferred, or close to bus route. References available. Contact Amberleigh, Ph: 479 8376, Email: amberleigh.nicholson@otago.ac.nz

One br, \$Neg p/w, part furn, avail: 2011, area: any. Doctoral scholarship student returning from study in Europe in Jan 2011 seeks rental flat, house share or housesit for all of 2011 and probably longer. Contact Chris, Email: cjwir@hotmail.com

Two br, \$200-300 p/w, part furn, avail: early Jan to mid/late Mar 2011, area: any. Professional couple requires accommodation from early Jan to mid-Mar. We work in the city and University but are willing to commute by car. Careful and responsible. Contact Luke, Ph: 021 0257 4799, Email: lbennetts@maths.otago.ac.nz

HOUSE FOR SALE

Three br, \$295,000, OSP, Suburb: Opoho. All-day sun and views. Gardener's delight. Contact Pat, Ph: 027 248 4395, Email: pat.duffy@otago.ac.nz

Three br, \$155,000, Suburb: Central City. Gorgeous three-bedroom cottage down private lane. Excellent condition throughout. Open fires, heat pump, easy-care courtyard garden. Suit investor (excellent rental history) or couple. Contact Catherine, Ph: 479 8615, Email: catherine.fowler@otago.ac.nz

FLATMATE WANTED

Looking for a house by the beach? This is it. We are just above the Salt Water Pool at St Clair, with amazing views. The room is large, with a big built-in wardrobe and comes with queen sized bed. The house has pretty much everything in it. Near bus stop. Two flatmates: a PhD student and an engineer, late 20s and early 30s. Looking for someone mature, friendly, and reliable. Double br, \$140 p/w, +exp, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: St Clair. Contact Amelie, Ph: 021 203 7603, Email: augam928@student.otago.ac.nz

Female PhD student is looking for a flatmate for superior, new, sunny two-bedroom flat. Ten minutes to University and Hospital. Stunning city and harbour views. Heat pump and balcony. Contract until June (option for renewal). Single br, \$150 p/w, +exp, OSP, fully furn, avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: North Dunedin. Contact Nina, Ph: 021 0235 5634, Email: dicni903@student.otago.ac.nz

Fully furnished studio room with everything you need. Rent includes power, internet and phone. Will suit professionals or mature students who do not mind a little walking or have a car. Double br, \$150 p/w, fully furn,

avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: Central City. Contact Sherry, Ph: 021 077 8885, Email: lich8150@student.otago.ac.nz

Three large, sunny rooms available for next year. It is difficult to keep the sun out of them. Five minutes' walk to supermarket and Gardens. Close to bus stop. Two existing flatmates. Double br, \$95 p/w, +exp, OSP, part furn, avail: 1 Jan 2011, area: North East Valley. Contact Eric, Ph: 021 235 2081, Email: eli@infoscience.otago.ac.nz

Large room in three-bedroom house to share with owner and one other. Two living areas, quiet street, all mod cons. Warm, sunny house with large private garden. Includes Sky TV, phone, power, wireless broadband. Short- or long-term available. Double br, \$175 p/w, OSP, fully furn, avail: now, area: Abbotsford. Contact Shaun, Ph: 021 376 031, Email: shaun.taylor@otago.ac.nz

HOUSE SWAP

House swap wanted Christmas New Year 2010/2011 for one to two weeks. We are a family of four and have a three-bedroom Kiwi bach in a handy Wanaka location that we would like to swap with a similar property anywhere in the North Island. Contact Virginia, Ph: 479 8200, Email: virginia.nicholls@otago.ac.nz

HOUSE SITTING

House sit wanted. Any br, avail: now, area: Any. Reliable and experienced female housesitter available for short- or long-term house sits. Non smoker, quiet and tidy. Anywhere considered but prefer peaceful, sunny places with sea views. References available. Contact Sian, Email: sianrobinson@iprimus.com.au

House sit wanted. Any br, avail: now, area: Anywhere in Dunedin considered. Responsible, reliable postgraduate student (writing up PhD) and partner looking for a housesit for our last few months in Dunedin. Available start of Nov until beginning of Mar. Happy to look after garden and pets. Contact Nicola, Ph: 479 7496, Email: nicola.beer@otago.ac.nz

House sit wanted. Any br, avail: now and ongoing, area: Within 30km of campus. Mature, quiet, PhD student available for housesitting. Home maintenance and veterinary experience, multiple local and faculty references. Reliable care for your home and pets. Short- and long-term contracts. Available throughout the greater Dunedin area. Contact John, Ph: 021 033 9049, Email: mcljo367@otago.ac.nz

House sit wanted. 1 br, avail: from 5 Jan 2011, area: any. Housesit wanted any time during Summer School period for visiting academic. Reliable, careful professor from the United Kingdom. Contact Catherine, Ph: 479 8615, Email: catherine.fowler@otago.ac.nz

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

Available. Area: Naseby, avail: all year, except winter. Two br, \$85 per night, OSP. Sleeps four, well-equipped, log burner, heater. Centrally-

located close to bike trails, curling, forest walks, playground, two hotels, two restaurants. Peaceful and quiet. Two easy hour's drive from Dunedin, Ranfurly 15km away. Contact John, Ph: 454 2186, Email: john.dennison@otago.ac.nz

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Hills swing set complete with seesaw swing, basic swing, monkey rings and two seat swing. In good condition. \$160, ONO. Contact Lisa, Ph: 027 201 8552, Email: Lisa.Hart@otago.ac.nz

A variety of furniture such as bed, couch, office desk, dining table etc. to be sold before 19 Nov. A great deal can be offered for buying the lot. \$various. Contact Wann, Ph: 021 037 8440, Email: lohwa648@student.otago.ac.nz

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WANTED TO BUY

Lion King toys, books and DVDs wanted. Contact Isak, Ph: 021 542 233, Email: isak.svensson@otago.ac.nz

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Postgraduate

POSTGRADUATE COFFEE HOUR

Take a break from your busy schedule and join OUSA for their weekly Postgrad Coffee Hour. The Postgrad Coffee Hour is an OUSA initiative to give postgrads a time to connect with each other and to get out of the office! This coffee hour occurs EVERY WEDNESDAY, including during holiday breaks, from 3pm to 4pm in the Gazebo of the Union.

Coffee, tea, and biscuits are provided. All you need to bring is yourself and the conversation. Hope to see you there!

DOCTORAL LOUNGE

Located on the first floor of the University Union building, the Doctoral Lounge is available for use by all Doctoral candidates.

Facilities in the Lounge include free tea and coffee, a daily newspaper, a PC with internet access and Endnote, and comfortable furniture for relaxing or studying. Access to the Lounge is via your student ID card and can be arranged by contacting Susan Craig, Email: susan.craig@otago.ac.nz

OUSA POSTGRAD FRIDAY NIGHT GAZEBO LOUNGE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Each Friday, all Postgrads are invited to attend a social get together in the Gazebo lounge, on the first floor of the University Union building, from 4pm onwards.

It's a great chance to meet up with existing friends and make new ones, while you enjoy a delicious buffet of sandwiches and nibbles. Just \$1 at the door.

For more information please contact Travis Monk (OUSA Postgraduate Representative), Email: postgrad@ousa.org.nz

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships for Postgraduate Students closing soon:

- 29 Oct Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Historical Research Grants
- 29 Oct Postgraduate Scholarship in Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- 31 Oct HRINZ Postgraduate Scholarship
- 1 Nov Home Science Alumnae Todhunter Carpenter Award
- 1 Nov Bee Nilson Award
- 1 Nov University of Otago Coursework Master's Award
- 1 Nov University of Otago Postgraduate Award
- 1 Nov University of Otago International Masters Award
- 1 Nov University of Otago Māori Award
- 1 Nov University of Otago Pacific Islands Awards
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 - 24 Nov ICCS Graduate Student Scholarship
 - 26 Nov MFAT and NZAID Postgraduate Field Research Award
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Consider each of these areas and complete a self S.W.O.T. analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) or a pros and cons list can be useful also. Think about some specific examples of your strengths and write them down as evidence or proof. Consider

your weaknesses as areas of improvement rather than personal or character flaws. Consider what opportunities may be to your advantage or will support your future goals. Finally, consider any possible threats to your career plans and goals, those that may not be in your control but which you could lessen the impact of. The important part is getting your thoughts and ideas out of your head to provide an objective perspective.

If you need any support with this contact careers@otago.ac.nz for an appointment to speak with one of the careers staff. Check out our website www.otago.ac.nz/careers

DIVISION OF SCIENCES NOTICES

Science Notes: an opportunity!

Science Notes is an initiative from the SNAP (Science News and Promotion) committee. Postgraduate students from various departments are being interviewed about their research for a fortnightly programme on Thursday evenings on Toroa Radio.

The interviews are interspersed with the student's favourite music, and each programme is repeated the following Thursday evening. See who's speaking when here: www.sciences.otago.ac.nz/sciencenotes.html

We are looking for more participants, so if you would like to be involved, please contact Dr Dave

McMorran (Head of the SNAP Committee), Email: snap.committee@otago.ac.nz

Hands-On Science Student Helpers

We are recruiting again for student helpers for Hands-On Science, which takes place next year in Jan (15 to 21 Jan 2011). The role involves providing peer support, supervision for 230 plus excitable teenagers, organising the social programme, and surviving on minimal sleep for a week. This is a very full-time commitment for the week.

For more information about the programme check out www.otago.ac.nz/handsonscience

For more information about the job email: hos@otago.ac.nz

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The deadline for notices and advertisements for the next issue of the *Bulletin* is 12noon, Friday 5 November. So if you are looking for flatmates or want to sell, buy, swap or rent, then please go to:

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