



# New Zealand Federation of Graduate Women

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## NEWSLETTER MAY 2015

### AWARDS EVENING

The next branch meeting will be the Awards Evening to be held in the Undercroft 101, a seminar room beneath the Central Library at Canterbury University on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 5.30pm.**

Entry is by the library steps and then down the stairs on the right or by the Shilling Club to the left of the library entrance.

There will be 11 speakers and their topics range from trade data consistencies between China and New Zealand, speech production changes in older New Zealand speakers and the paleoseismology of the Less Valley to the importance of blood sugar for ICU patients and athletes, Maori representation and participation in the policy process of the NZ government since the change to MMP and royal English genealogical chronicle rolls.

A map of the University is on the back page of this newsletter and someone will be outside the main entrance to the library to direct you to the room. Parking areas are also marked on the map.

confirm the application. The changes from the original deed are related to our operating in a changed environment, the original purpose remains the same. It will allow us to proceed with incorporation and also ensure the Trust will continue in the event the "settler" Canterbury Branch NZFGW goes out of existence.

### CFGW Awards

While the number of applicants was down on last year the selection committee recommended to the Board that 12 applicants receive an award and we are delighted that 11 of these awardees will be attending the Awards evening with family, friends and university colleagues. Grace Jones the other awardee is still in Vancouver on a forestry exchange programme so sends her apologies.

### Awardees

Ainsley McLean	returning to retrain Graduate Diploma in Arts Canterbury
Grace Jones	Bachelor of Forestry Science, Canterbury
Simone Templeton	Bachelor of Science Canterbury
Chloe Thompson	Bachelor in Law and Science, Canterbury
Nathalie Blakely	BA Hons Political Relations Science and Law, Canterbury
Kristine Illston	Bachelor of Agricultural Science Honours, Lincoln
Nelli Sibaeva	BSc Honours in Microbiology, Canterbury

### TRUST BOARD REPORT

Members of the Trust Board met on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

### Trust Deed

Perhaps the most momentous event this month was that our application to adopt a new Trust Deed went before the High Court on 6 May 2015 and we can expect the Judge to

Samantha Dudley	Masters Part 2 Biochemistry, Canterbury
Linda Gervasi	Masters in Social Work Applied, Canterbury
Juliet King	Masters in Biological Science, Canterbury
Jordyn Smith	Masters in Biochemistry Canterbury
Nicole McRae	PhD Environmental Science, Canterbury

### Domain Name

We have organised the domain name of Regalia hire Canterbury and also Canterbury Graduate Women to ensure these cannot be taken by others

### The Canterbury NZFGW Lincoln University Fees Scholarship.

This award has gone to Jessica Cairns who is studying for a Bachelor of Agricultural Sciences at Lincoln, she is in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Alongside her studies Jess coaches netball, has a part time job on a dry land sheep farm and is the co-ordinator of the Lincoln University Future Leader Scholarship programme.

### Priorities of the Board

Members see these as succession planning, written policies to include decisions for allocation of monies, and website/trust profile  
*Ellen McCrae Chair*

### REGALIA HIRE REPORT

With the major large graduations completed the attention of the Regalia Hire business staff and volunteers is now focused on checking, cleaning and stocktaking.

We still have a number of smaller ceremonies to provide regalia for through to the end of June. At present we are supplying the regalia for today's Open Polytechnic ceremony, then for Trinity Guild's diploma ceremony at the weekend along with Cathedral Grammar's Founder's Day ceremony. In June we will be providing regalia for both University of Canterbury and Lincoln University NZ Aid students who have completed their courses. It was gratifying recently to receive thanks from a student who had been attending graduation in Auckland and commented that the regalia she hired from us was of a better standard than that of her friends.

*Jean Sharfe Regalia Hire Manager*

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN REPORT

I attended the April branch meeting held at Dovedale Village, College of Education. From June onwards meetings will be held at the Tui Room at St Barnabas' Anglican Church. The AGM will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> May at Dovedale Village and the guest speaker will be the Deputy Auditor General, Philippa Smith. It was suggested that she be asked to speak on the topic: *Charitable Trusts – What is their Role?* Later in the year, at the Suffrage Function in September, the guest speaker will be Karleen Edwards, the CEO of the Christchurch City Council.

At the April meeting, a fluent and well informed speaker, Genevieve de Spa, talked about the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and the concerns we should have about it being drafted behind closed doors. Of particular concern is the ISDS (Investor State Dispute Settlement) clause which will give international corporations the right to sue NZ if our laws affect their profits.

*Marlene Smith, Branch NCW Representative*

### FROM THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

*CIR report: Bernadette Devonport*

IFUW has formally changed its name. You will still be able to use the IFUW name on the web for a while. If you google ifuw, you land on the graduatwomen.org site. The IFUW site will remain active until all the pages in GWI have been switched and referenced. All publications not current, but previous to IFUW, will remain branded IFUW as that was how they were published.

The GWI *Update* newsletters for April have some interesting items that warrant further reading. Go to the GWI website and look at 15 April and 22 April issues. They refer to a recent workshop on Gender Leadership and GWI's involvement in the 66<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Economic Commission for Europe's discussion on part of the international framework for sustainable development. As in my last newsletter item I also encourage you to gain entry to the members' corner of the IFUW website. There are some very good issues and items here.

Did any of you successfully complete the GWI survey on participating in webinars? I hope that you were able to do so. Feedback is very

important if we are to get more robust and interactive sessions. Do apply to participate when the next webinar is scheduled. Sorting out the time gap between Europe and us is easy and most of the webinars are held mid evening here in New Zealand.

We voted on another resolution this month. The Australian Federation of Graduate Women proposed, and we seconded, the motion *That the amendment to the Dissolution Clause of the IFUW Constitution be treated as an emergency resolution and that voting by the General Assembly proceed as soon as possible* 88.2% of those who voted were in favour of the resolution so now we are voting for the amendment to the dissolution clause, which will make the GWI Constitution compatible with Swiss law.

### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

#### **GWI 32nd Triennial Conference, Cape Town**

21-23 August 2016 General Assembly (GWI members only)

24 -26 August 2016 Public Conference

"At the crossroads between education, gender and human rights"

### **REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING**

#### **Charitable Trust**

- An awards event is being planned for Dunedin with a likely date the last weekend of May (watch this space...)
- Selection panels are being brought together for appraising applications for the 2016 round of NZFGW Fellowships.
- A paper on the issue of funding the NZFGW awards was considered. With the Waikato Federation of Graduate Women Charitable Trust and the Kate Edgar Trust (Auckland) having decided not to commit funds to the NZFGW Fellowships, these Fellowships are now being funded entirely through the efforts of the Regalia Hire committees from Graduate Women Wellington, Otago, Canterbury, Manawatu

and North Shore. It was decided therefore that applicants intending to study at Waikato and Auckland Universities will need to apply for assistance from the Kate Edgar and Waikato Federation of Graduate Women Charitable Trusts in the first instance.

- Donations (and Bequests) from independent members (and members of Branches which have now closed or are planning to close) are warmly welcomed.
- An investment Policy which mirrors that of NZFGW was approved.
- The Treasurer's Job Description was approved.

#### **Executive meeting**

- The strategic plan has been reviewed and approved, and is about to go on the website.
- Amanda is the new Website Administrator and is working hard to upgrade the sections, including making new links to Fellows reports for ease of access. Updated input from Branches and Independent members is sought.
- The National Council of Women White Paper on Equal Pay for women is out for discussion and is currently being revised. Despite the progress made, a change in the way women and women's work is seen is badly needed in this country, and alongside that a shift for men away from the machismo image that men are lumbered with.
- The Treasurer's Job Description (generic) was approved – it mirrors the NZFGW Charitable Trust JD and follows the same legal and financial policies.
- The Investment Policy was approved which gives priority to AA- or better investment instruments. A maximum of 20% was allowed for more risky instruments (BBB-) with a maximum investment term of 12 months. It was agreed that investments should be liquid (i.e. either tradable or short-term).
- Succession planning for roles on the Executive was discussed and ads have gone into this newsletter.

### **WANTED: TREASURER IN WAITING**

The roles of Treasurer for both NZFGW Inc and the NZFGW Charitable Trust can be held by one person or by two different people. We are seeking a person (or persons) willing to act as backup treasurer with a view to taking over the role in the future.

You may already have the skills and knowledge needed for the job or you may wish to learn basic book-keeping and preparation of financial statements. We use an online accounting system and have online banking. While you do need adequate computer skills and a methodical turn of mind, training will be given.

Email me at [patsivertsen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patsivertsen@xtra.co.nz) for more information and the Position Description.

### **Wanted: Reviewer for end of year accounts**

NZFGW requires a suitably qualified person to review our end of year accounts for the year ending 30 June 2016. You may be an accountant, either practising or retired, or have experience in company accounting.

Email me at [patsivertsen@xtra.co.nz](mailto:patsivertsen@xtra.co.nz) for more information

*Pat Sivertsen, Treasurer NZFGW Inc and NZFGW Charitable Trust*

The Awards site is now open on <https://nzfgw-applications.org/> or [www.nzfgw.org.nz](http://www.nzfgw.org.nz) and click on the Awards button on the top bar. If you would like to register your interest for this role or this or future years, please contact the Awards Convenor Rowena Taylor on [awardsconvenor@nzfgw.org.nz](mailto:awardsconvenor@nzfgw.org.nz) by 30 June.

### **CALLING ALL WOMEN IN SCIENCE – HAVE YOU GOT A GREAT MENTOR??**

The Association for Women in the Sciences (AWIS) is on the lookout for people who are doing their best to keep females in science. Applications are now open for the Miriam Dell Award for Excellence in Science Mentoring. This is the second time the Award has been offered – the inaugural Award was presented to Dr Judith O'Brien of the University of Auckland in 2013.

The Miriam Dell Award is awarded on a biennial basis to someone who demonstrates outstanding mentoring efforts to retain females in science, mathematics or technology. Nominees can be from any part of the science system – including teachers at primary or secondary schools, lecturers or supervisors in tertiary education, or from commercial science-based organisations. They may have mentored, formally or informally, females at any stage in their career – from school age to the science workforce.

More information, including nominations forms, can be found at <http://www.awis.org.nz/about-us/the-miriam-dell-award/2015-nominations/> or on our [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#)

First Young Members potluck of 2015 organised by Mitra Etemaddar and Carol Jess in Dunedin (see above), it was a great success and a great opportunity to meet with other members.

Young Members: Any events, ideas for events or general comments about what you would like to see more of as a member of NZFGW, please email [amanda.taylor@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:amanda.taylor@vuw.ac.nz). I would like to have a regular Young Members column and would like to share all the awesome things you are up to! Please email me with any pictures or notices.

### **APPRAISERS FOR NZFGW NATIONAL AWARDS**

If you are interested in being an appraiser for the NZFGW Fellowships and NZFGW Susan Byrne Award, we would like you to register your interest. The months of July to September are very busy for the selection panels, with each application requiring approximately 30 minutes, plus administration time as part of a panel. There are approximately 60 Fellowship applications received by 31 July and 35-40 Susan Byrne applications by 31 August. The selection panel for the Fellowships has five members, all of whom must be members of NZFGW, and three members for the Susan Byrne Award.

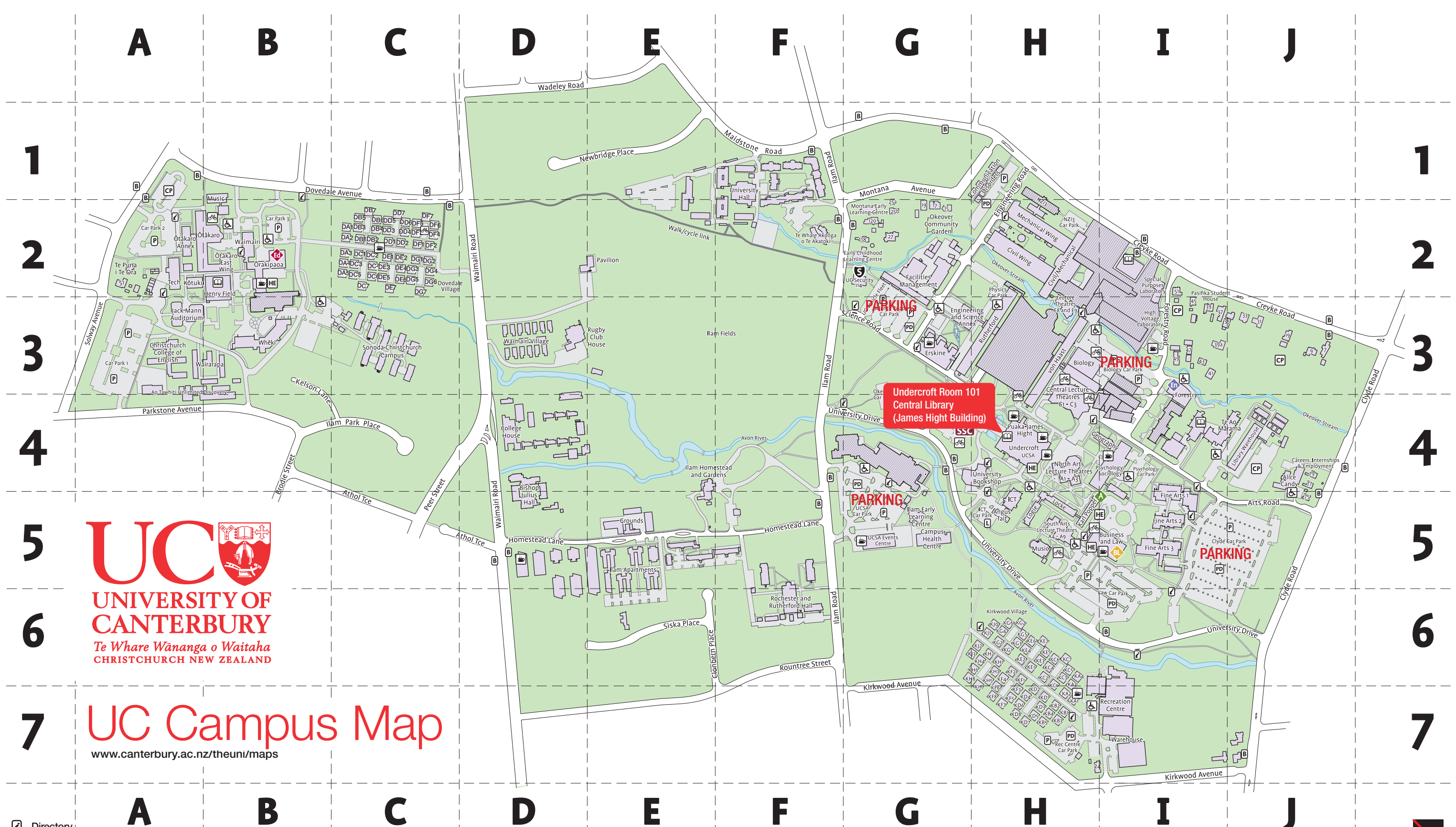
### **WHAT SKILLS AND QUALITIES DO YOU NEED?**

Appraisers need to be able to:

1. access and assess online applications
2. spend a concentrated time period over 2-3 weeks
3. work as part of a team

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# UC Campus Map

[www.canterbury.ac.nz/theuni/maps](http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/theuni/maps)

- Directory
- Bus stop
- Contractor permit parking
- Permit parking
- Pay and Display parking
- Link parking
- Accessible parking
- Library
- Café or Bar
- Heat and Eat
- Major cycle stand

- Student Services Centre
- Security
- Closed temporarily
- College of Education
- College of Science
- College of Business and Economics
- College of Arts
- College of Engineering

### Cafes, bars and galleries

- I4 Café 101 Psychology/Sociology
- H4 Café 1894 Puaka-James Hight
- B2 Collective Dovedale Village
- I3 Hard Hat Cafe
- I5 Ilam Campus Gallery Fine Arts 2
- D5 Food Base Ilam Apartments
- G3 Reboot Cafe Erskine
- G5 The Foundry and Bentley UCSA Events Centre
- H7 The Shed Kirkwood Village
- H4 The Shilling Club Puaka-James Hight
- H4 Undercroft Food Hall Puaka-James Hight

### Computer workrooms (24/7)

- A2 Kōtuku
- G3 Erskine

### Halls of Residence

- D4 Bishop Julius
- D4 College House
- E5 Ilam Apartments
- F6 Rochester and Rutherford
- C3 Sonoda Christchurch Campus
- F1 University Hall
- D3 Waimairi Village

### Lecture Theatres

- A3 Jack Mann Auditorium
- H4 A1 – A3 North Arts lecture theatres
- H5 A4 – A9 South Arts lecture theatres
- H4 C1 – C3 Central lecture theatres
- H3 E8 – E9 Engineering lecture theatres
- I4 F3 Forestry lecture theatre
- B2 L1 – L4 Otakaro lecture theatres

### Libraries

- H4 Central Library Puaka-James Hight
- B2 Education Library Henry Field
- I2 Engineering and Physical Sciences Library
- I4 Macmillan Brown Library Te Ao Mārama

### Services

- H4 Bank, ANZ Puaka-James Hight
- G5 Health Centre
- B2 IT Service Desk Henry Field
- H4 IT Service Desk Puaka-James Hight

- H4 Pharmacy Puaka-James Hight
- H4 Postal Agency Puaka-James Hight
- I7 Recreation Centre
- H4 Students' Association (UCSA) Puaka-James Hight
- H4 Uni Bookshop
- G4 Vice-Chancellor's Office Matariki

### Whares

- A2 Te Puna i Te Ora Dovedale
- F2 Te Whare Akonga o Te Akatōri

