



THE MASSEY UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION IS A REGISTERED CHARITY THAT FOSTERS PHILANTHROPY AND ADMINISTRATES GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY

Massey is an innovative, self-reliant, outward-facing institution committed to solving the big issues and defining the future of our country and the world.

Founded in 2004, the Massey University Foundation's vision is to create an endowment fund that will exist in perpetuity to ensure that Massey is self-reliant, and can define the new New Zealand through its excellent research and teaching, taking the best of New Zealand to the rest of the world.

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Dr Russ Ballard (Chair Nov-Dec) Dr Nigel Gould (Chair Jan-Nov) Brian Ward

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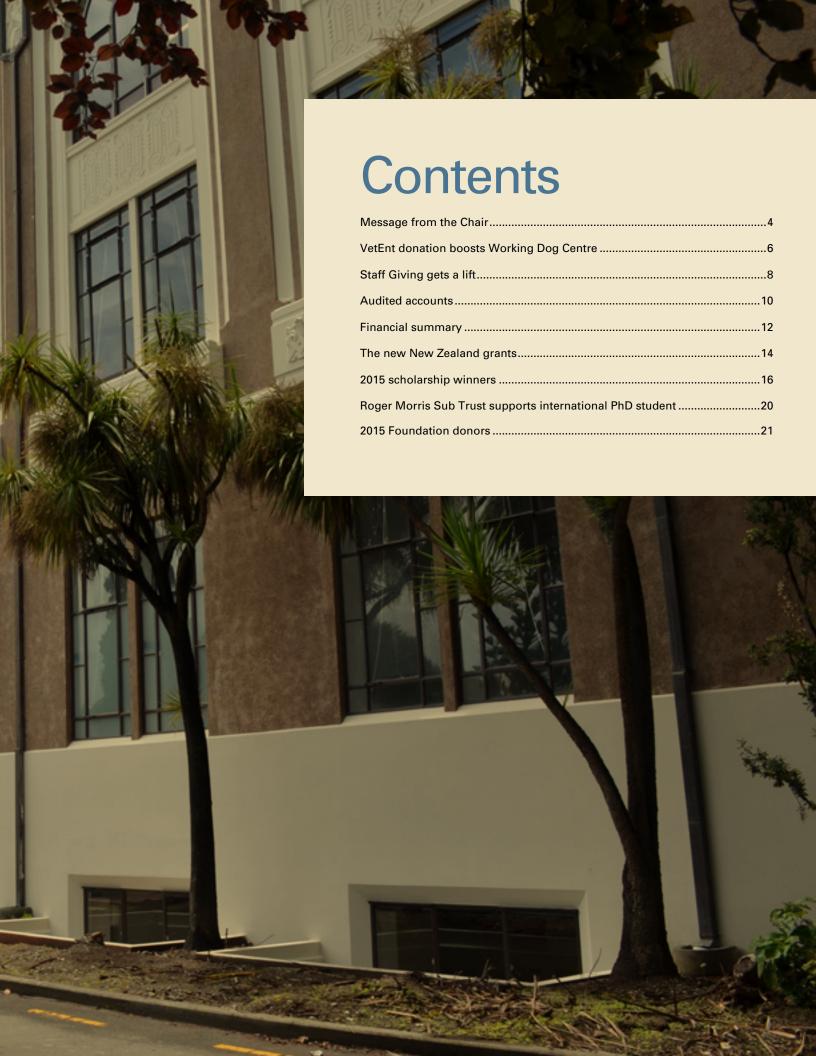
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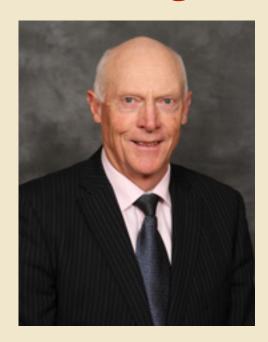
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Jim Scotland



# Message from the Chair



My passion for Massey started in 1963 when I began studying Agricultural Science at the then Massey Agricultural College. The College became a University in October of 1964 under the guidance of the late great Sir Alan Stewart. I left Massey University at the end of 1968 having met my wife Philippa, who also studied at Massey, and completed my master's. My association with education and with Massey continued throughout my career and in 2005 I returned to Massey to serve on its Council for nine years, five of those as Chancellor.

I was delighted to be invited by the Vice-Chancellor to continue my close connection with the University and join the board of the Massey University Foundation and I was very happy to be appointed Chair in November 2015, replacing the long-serving Nigel Gould, who retired after six years in the post.

I must thank the outgoing Chair for his years of service and particularly the work he did, together with the director of the Foundation, to reform the finances and the financial reporting of the Foundation. Thanks to Nigel and his colleagues on the Board, the Foundation is in impressive health and is well positioned for growth.

In these days of ever tightening fiscal policy the Foundation is an increasingly important component for the University, helping it to maintain high educational standards and giving it a degree of

financial independence. I am delighted to have joined the Foundation and look forward to working with the Board to further unlock the potential of the Foundation in the coming years.

Colin Harvey also retired from the board in 2015 after serving the maximum eight-year term and Paul Bayly tendered his resignation in August last year to take up the demanding role of Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport in Fiji. I thank Paul and Colin for their contributions and wish them well.

While there were several changes to the board in 2015, financially, the year was one of consolidation and of steady growth. The Foundation raised \$2.32 million and the invested fund and interest income gained were \$2.2 million, giving total revenue for the year of \$4.5 million and total assets of \$26.5 million.

It is wonderful to see more Massey staff contributing to the Foundation direct from their salaries. In 2015 the number of staff giving to the Foundation increased by 74 per cent thanks to a successful internal marketing campaign across the University. At the end of 2014 the University also agreed to match-fund salary contributions from staff which was an excellent step forward for the Development team and a very tangible demonstration of the University's commitment to fundraising. In 2015



# Staff Giving gets a lift

The Foundation first launched Direct from Salary Giving (DSG) in 2011, enabling Massey staff to donate to the Foundation directly from their salary each fortnight. Staff can allocate their contributions to any of the twenty plus funds accepting donations and those who donate through the DSG payroll scheme receive immediate tax relief of approximately 33 per cent. Due to a number of factors, including retirements and resignations, staff donor numbers had dwindled. At the beginning of 2015, the Foundation team decided that a new approach was needed to grow DSG participation at Massey.

An important aspect of relaunching the DSG scheme was getting the University on board to match-fund staff donations. At the end of 2014 the University agreed to match dollar-for-dollar all staff contributions through the DSG programme, demonstrating the University's commitment to fundraising and its confidence in the work that the Foundation does.

On the back of this positive announcement, an internal PR campaign was launched to drive awareness of the DSG scheme and recruit new staff donors. This included developing a recognisable internal brand for the DSG scheme; the 'Do Something Good' brand. The distinctive new logo was used on all communication to staff and helped integrate the multi-channel messages throughout the campaign.

Other initiatives included establishing a

staff funded hardship bursary for Massey students, creating DSG mentors in each college to drive participation, and running a cross-campus 'Do Something Good' day where staff were encouraged to sign up at their local coffee shops.

Overall, the campaign was a success, increasing staff donors from 47 to 82. With match-funding from the University, Direct from Salary Giving currently brings in \$78,000 per year to 17 separate funds in the Foundation. Many DSG donors give to the Enabling Excellence Fund which was established specifically for staff to give to students in hardship. Many staff also give to the Wildbase Hospital fund, the Innovation Fund, and the University Advancement Fund which is an unrestricted endowment fund supporting teaching, facilities and research at Massey.

Direct from Salary givers at Massey have already made a substantial contribution to University projects, including helping the Foundation reach the \$1.44 million fundraising target to build the new Wildbase hospital and providing funding for various research projects and trials. In 2016, the Foundation will launch another campaign which aims to increase the annual DSG contribution to \$100,000, with 110 regular staff donors.





"Massey University provides extraordinary opportunities for so many people worldwide and a wonderful environment in which to work. The Foundation provides me with a great vehicle to 'pay it forward' and to help grow and develop opportunities for others that wouldn't otherwise be possible. The payroll scheme is such an easy way to do this."

#### **Dr Peter Jolly**

Project Manager, Institute of Veterinary, Animal and Biomedical Sciences



"Supporting the Foundation means I can make a difference by helping give more students the opportunity to follow their desire to study at Massey University. And the payroll scheme makes it easy, while also ensuring the tax credits are received."

#### **Dr Claire Matthews**

Director of Academic Programmes, Massey Business School



"I donate to the Foundation because I have benefitted greatly from Massey University over the past six years, both as a student and as a staff member, and want to give back. I have had the opportunity to work for a variety of different areas of Massey, and have received scholarships that made my studying life a lot less financially stressful. I want to show my appreciation to Massey for the opportunities it has given me, and donating to the Foundation is a good way to do this."

#### **Danielle Calder**

Capability Development Administrator, People and Organisational Development



"I give to the Foundation because I believe in the Enabling Excellence Fund. Direct from salary giving makes it easy to do something good for students who face the extra challenge of financial hardship, to continue with their education."

#### June Lincoln.

Designer, Massey University, Design Studio



"I believe education changes lives, and I believe that those of us that can afford to help those less fortunate should, so that's why I give. The Foundation is an easy vehicle for me to give back."

#### **Annonymous**

#### Independent Auditor's Report

#### To the readers of Massey University Foundation Truet's summary annual report for the year ended 31 December 2015

The summary annual report was derived from the annual report of the Massay University Foundation Trus (the Trus) for the year ended 31 December 2015. We have considered whether the summary consult report represents, fairly and committeetly, the information regarding the major tradition with in the product report.

The convol report included full counted statements, and the summary consist report includes summary statements. We have coulded the following summary statements reported in the summary convol report on page 1:

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- the switchaster of the statement of comprehensive reverse and expects, statement of changes in equity and statement of cosh flows for the year ended 31 December 2015; and.
- the note! to the summery Financial statements that include accounting policies and other explanatory information.

We expressed on wmodified audit opinion on the Tunin full audited statements in our region dated 19 May 2016.

#### Opinion

In our opinion

- the territory proval report represents, fairly and considerity, the information regarding the major matters dealt with in the canabil reports and
- the summary statements comply with PBE FRS-43: Summary Financial Statements.

#### Basis of opinion

Our sudlit was carried out in occardance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand), and in particular with the International Standard on Auditing (New Zealand) B10: Engingerants to Report on Summary Financial Statements. These standards require us to carry out procedures to certifing whether the summary annual report contains the Information necessary, and at an appropriate level of aggregation, to as not to be mileading.

The summary statements and the full audited statements from which they were derived, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to our report dated T9 May 2016 on the full audited statements.

The summary statements do not contain all the disclosures required for full audited statements under generally accepted accounting procisic in New Zealand. Reading the summary statements, therefore, it not a washing for reading the full audited statements in the areual report of the Trust.

#### Responsibilities of the Trustees and the Auditor

The Trustees are setpartible for preparing the summary annual report to that it represents, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters deals with in the arrival report. This individes preparing summary platements, in accordance with PBE FRS-431 Summary friendly Statements. The Trustees are also responsible for the publication of the summary annual report, whether in printed or elections form.

We are responsible for expressing an opinion on whether the summary annual report reportering, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters death with a the annual report and whether the summary statements comply with PBE FRS 43: Summary functions Statements.

Other that in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or impress in, the Tryst.

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CFnt Ramoo, Audit New Zealand On behalf of the Auditor-General Wellington, New Zealand

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Massey University Foundation Trust (the 'Foundation') is domiciled in New Zealand and is a charitable trust for the benefit of Massey University. It has held charitable status since 2004. The Foundation has designated itself as a public benefit entity with all applicable public benefit entity exemptions being adopted.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the trust deed, the Education Act 1989 - TEI Subsidiaries and New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP) where defined. The financial statements comply with Public Benefit Entity International Public Sector Accounting Standards (PBE IPSAS) and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards as appropriate for Tier 2 PBE entities. The Foundation qualifies as a Tier 2 reporting entity as it does not have public accountability and is not 'large' as defined by XRB A1.

The summary financial statements are for the year ended 31 December 2015 and have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 43 Summary Financial Statements.

The financial statements have been prepared on an historical cost basis except for Managed Funds which have been measured at fair value.

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$000). The functional currency of the Foundation is New Zealand dollars (NZ\$).

This is the first set of financial statements of the Foundation that is presented in accordance with PBE standards. The Foundation has previously reported in accordance with NZIFRS.

The accounting policies adopted in these financial statements are consistent with those of the previous financial year, except for instances when the accounting or reporting requirements of a PBE standard are different to requirements under NZIFRS. For details of these instances please see the Foundation's full financial statements.

The Foundation is a controlled entity of Massey University, as the Trustees of the Foundation are appointed by the Vice Chancellor of the University. All transactions between entities were conducted on an arm's length basis using commercial terms. Massey University paid and provided staffing, provision of buildings and equipment to the value of \$556,695 (2014 \$521,137).

#### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015

The summary financial statements were authorised by the Trustees on 19 May 2016. These summary financial statements have been extracted from the Foundation's full financial statements dated 19 May 2016. The full financial statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Foundation has made an explicit and unreserved statement of compliance with PBE IPSAS in its full financial statements. The full financial statements were audited by Audit New Zealand who issued an unqualified audit opinion.

The summary financial statements provide interested persons with a succinct overview of the past performance of the Foundation. Users of the summary financial statements should note that the information contained therein cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements.

The full financial statements can be viewed on the Foundation website: http://foundation.massey.ac.nz or by contacting Massey University Foundation, Private Bag 11222, Palmerston North.

Chairman

Trustee



Year Ended 31 December 2	2015	
	2015	2014
	\$ 1000	\$ '000
Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions		
Gifts, Legacies & Grants	2,308	3,216
Other Revenue	16	14
Revenue from Exchange Transactions		
Distributions from Managed Funds	685	521
Fair Value through Surplus or		
Deficit	1,418	1,297
Interest	87	65
Other Revenue	2	-
Total Revenue	4,516	5,113
Operating Expenses	132	116
Distributions and Grants	1,236	1,075
Total Expenditure	1,368	1,191
Surplus and Total Comprehensive Revenue	3,148	3,922

	2015	2014
	\$1000	\$1000
Balance at 1 January	23,448	19,521
Total Comprehensive Revenue	3,148	3,922
Balance at 31 December	26,591	23,443
Summary Statement of Financial Position As At 31 December	2015	
	2015	2014
5	\$1000	\$1000
Current Assets 2	26,747	23,66
Total Current Liabilities	156	225
Net Current Assets	26,591	23,44
Represented by:		
TOTAL EQLITY	26,591	23,44
Summary Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 30.	December 201	5
	2015	2014
	51000	s room
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Gifts, Legacies & Grants and Investment Revenue	3,042	3,887
Other Revenue	18	14
Distributions, Grants and Other Payments	1,434	1,019
Net Gish Flows from Operating Activities	1,626	2,882
Cash Folius from Investing Activities		
Withdrawal of Investment and Term Deposit	1,886	442
Purchase of Investment and Term Deposit	2,052	3,099
Net Cash Flows (to)/from Investing Activities	(166)	(2,657
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Capital Injection		
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities	-	
Net Increase/(Decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,460	225
	040	721
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the ye	ar 946	14

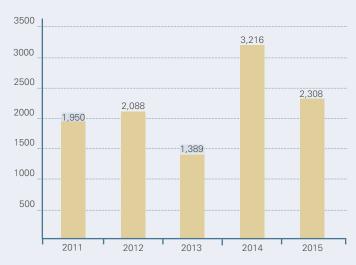
# Financial Summary

In 2015 the Foundation raised \$2.3 million and its equity (endowed fund and cash investments) reached a record \$26.5 million.

The Foundation's endowment investment pool (EIP) is made up of around 90 separately identified and maintained scholarship and research funds. These funds are pooled and are invested with a professional fund manager (Nikko) and are held in a portfolio of shares and bonds at the discretion of the Foundation board. In 2015 the fund performed well in a turbulent market and returned 9.3 per cent equating to a record \$2.19 million. From this income an inflationary amount was returned to each fund so that each fund retains its real value over time, a .5 per cent administration fee was removed, and the rest was made available for distribution.

The Foundation's current use investment pool (CUIP) is for funds that are non-endowed and will be used in the short term. It is invested on term deposit. In 2015 the Foundation held \$2.4 million in its CUIP.

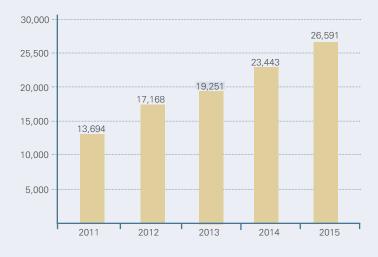
#### **FUNDRAISING INCOME (\$000)**



#### **INVESTMENT INCOME (\$000)**



#### TOTAL EQUITY (\$000)



# DISTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOLARSHIPS, RESEARCH ETC (\$000)

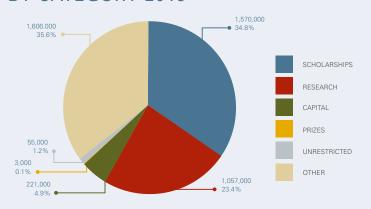


In 2015 the Foundation received just over \$2.3 million in donations. Most gifts were designated to a particular area. While scholarship and research together still dominate gifts to the Foundation, gifts to 'other areas' including endowed and no endowed chairs was up in 2015.

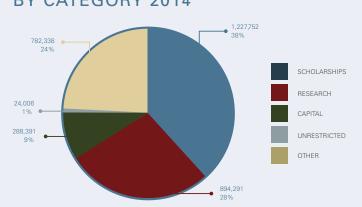
Gifts to Refectory and Tiritea House dominated the gifts to capital funds.

Distributions are based on income from the fund in the previous year and were \$1.69 million in 2015. The largest portion of these distributions (38 per cent) was once again to research with scholarships accounting for 29 per cent of distributions and capital projects just 5 per cent.

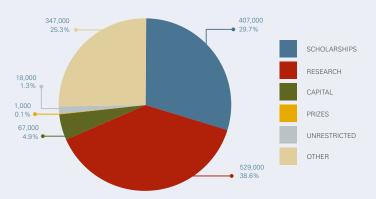
#### FUNDRAISING INCOME BY CATEGORY 2015



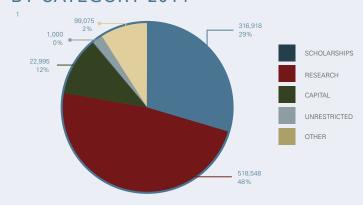
#### FUNDRAISING INCOME BY CATEGORY 2014



# DISTRIBUTIONS BY CATEGORY 2015



# DISTRIBUTIONS BY CATEGORY 2014



# The new New Zealand Grants

In 2015, for the first time, the Foundation awarded \$82,000 worth of 'new New Zealand Grants' and 'Student Advancement Grants' to Massey students.

The grants came from a fund established in 2010 by the students of Massey University from a student levy charged by the University. The money from the student levy went into an account dedicated to supporting Massey students. That account was entrusted to the Foundation for investment and distribution, and over the past five years has grown to a level where it can now be paid out each year.

The criteria for the 'new New Zealand Grant', which could have a value of up to \$5000, was that the applicant must show evidence of furthering their education and/ or evidence of hardship. The committee who decided on the scholarship winners was made up of key members of Massey's Student Executive, and Massey University Foundation director Mitch Murdoch.

In 2015, the Foundation was pleased to offer 16 Massey students from around New Zealand a 'new New Zealand Grant'.

The Foundation also offered 'Student Advancement Grants' to three student projects, up to a maximum value of \$20,000 per project. These projects demonstrated a clear benefit to the physical or mental welfare of students at Massey University. One such recipient, The Queen of Tears, were a group of final-year design students who used the Advancement Grant to hold a six-day female empowerment exhibition in central Wellington.

# 2015 NEW NEW ZEALAND GRANT RECIPIENTS

Shanti Kala Adhikari

Ella Cartwright

Jennifer Fleming

Francesca Harvey

Hanny Savitri Hartono

Carmen Leong

Sarah Miller

Dianne Muller

**Rachel Norris** 

Courtney O'Connor

Jodi Porter

Shauna Ratapu

Felix Turvey

Goldie Walker

Mikaela Wilkes

Zhao Zhuoran





# Foundation Scholarship Winners 2015

#### **ALBERT & ALEXIS DENNIS DONATION**

Peter John Archer Eileen Marguerite Woolridge

#### ALEX C P CHU TRADE FOR TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP

Alexandra Catherine Dickson Mattes Ernst Groenendijk Kees Arie Rozenberg

#### ALLAN GIBSON ACCOUNTANCY SCHOLARSHIP

Jenna Maree Mildenhall

#### **BAILEY BEQUEST BURSARY**

Shanti Kala Adhikari Antonia Tiffany Dodds Muhammad Boota Faisal Diwas Khatri Yvonne Woodhead

#### **BOOTTEN BEQUEST BURSARIES**

Gypsy Maree Billing-Bullen Sheena Marie Burgess Marta Foldkozi Murtesa Adao Hassen Xiyue Lin Breeanna Milicent Martinac Mackenzie Preston Louise Deborah Jillian Anne Reed Jessica Maree Rich Aloesi Karen Uluinayau

#### D J MCGOWAN SCHOLARSHIP

Josephine Leigh Winters

## DRAKEFORD UNDERGRADUATE ACCOUNTANCY SCHOLARSHIP

Carl Richard Gray

#### FARMERS' UNION SCHOLARSHIP

Katrin Gabriela Ruppert

### HELEN E AKERS PHD SCHOLARSHIP

Shashwati Krishnarao Ambatkar Santhi Priya Bhavanam Sasikunya Cheuyglintase Diwas Khatri Mo Li Zhongyi Liu Sarina Manandhar Soledad Del Carmen Navarrete Quijada Davood Roodi Masoud Soltanighombavani Junyu Matthew Zhao

### HELEN E AKERS POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Yu Fan Nicole Sarah Hammond Angela Nanette McFetridge Feifan Shi Emily Rose Smith Lia Anna Willis

#### HUGH MACDIARMID MEMORIAL BURSARIES

Jasmine Lisa Marie Tischler Knowles Holly Anne Rice

#### J MCLENNAN BURSARY

Wilna De Villiers Andrew John Gowan Francesca Alice Rose Harvey Anezka Faith Mandy Hoskin Cheng-Tzu Michelle Shang

#### J P SKIPWORTH SCHOLARSHIP (ECOLOGY)

Withanage Thushantha Sriyan Jayasuriya Pierce Malcolm McNie

#### JOAN BERRY FELLOWSHIPS IN VETERINARY SCIENCE -UNDERGRADUATE

Anna Maureen Burrell Emma Rose Dangen Wilna De Villiers Marc Alan Herrmann Zaki Jafrv Sarah Lee Lace **Brandy Rae Maloney** Ben Patton Mitchell Lasmai Giselle Nicholson Finja Schmidt Rachel Donna Shanks Abigail Louise Swan Winnie Wai Ling Tsoi Ashlin Mark Urieli Selena Franciska Van Vugt Lucy Jayne Walker

#### JOAN BERRY FELLOWSHIPS IN VETERINARY SCIENCE -POSTGRADUATE

Serena Tracy Finlayson Hayley Hunt

## JOHANNES AUGUST ANDERSON PHD SCHOLARSHIP

Marzieh Keshavarzi Jana Leonie Muller

# JOHANNES AUGUST ANDERSON POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Yushu Yan

## JOHN HODGSON PASTORAL SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Hossein Ghani Zadeh Lulu He Katrin Gabriela Ruppert Wei Zhang

#### **JULIE ALLEY BURSARY**

Natasha Bansal Elizabeth Emma Daly Faline Mary Drummond

#### **K A NORTH SCHOLARSHIP**

Susan Jane Jarvis

## LOIS TURNBULL POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Stacey Johanna Jacoba Maria Hendriks Helen Frances Walker

## MASSEY UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Tegan Jennifer Brown Bronwyn Bruce-Brand Erika Ward Burton Yining Chen Rachel Louise Eden Jessica Faulkner Sarah Jane Joubert Jiangheng Lin Sarah Jane Lomas Miriam Rose Maclean Esther Graile Martinez Lydia Kathleen McGlashan Marina Grace Mendes Dean Johanna Alphonsa Morris Baden Matthew Tully Parr Ashleigh Marie Renwick Rebecca Patricia Streith James Felk Irvine Tapsell-Kururangi Caleb Donald Waddell

## MILLER MASSEY BUCHANAN SCHOLARSHIP

Jennifer Louise Susan Parkinson Timothy Graham Richards

#### MURIEL CADDIE SCHOLARSHIPS IN VET SCIENCE

Neroli Anne Thomson

## PETER COLLETT EXTRAMURAL BURSARY

Therese Marie Angland James Anthony Judd Rhianonne Louise Kotuku Robb Sarah Katherine Watson

#### PHYLLIS IRENE GREY FELLOWSHIPS IN VETERINARY SCIENCE -UNDERGRADUATE

Emma Rose Dangen
Amy Sarah Hoogenboom
Sarah Lee Lace
Brandy Rae Maloney
Lasmai Giselle Nicholson
Finja Schmidt
Rachel Donna Shanks
Abigail Louise Swan
Alaina Frederique Tessier
Lucy Jayne Walker
Chung Ting Joyce Wong

#### PHYLLIS IRENE GREY FELLOWSHIPS IN VETERINARY SCIENCE -POSTGRADUATE

Serena Tracy Finlayson Cecilia Maria van Velsen

#### **PROF REN JIZHOU SCHOLARSHIP**

Zhongyi Liu Yushu Yan

## THE KEN AND ELIZABETH POWELL FUND

Debraj Basu Aaron William Dalbeth Manu Florian Lange Jonathan Tong Lok Sng Zach Jonathan Warner

## THE MASSEY UNIVERSITY ALUMNI DOCTORAL COMPLETION BURSARY

Marleen Baling Alexa Anne Curtis Nirosha Tharangani De Silva Anil Kumar Kaushik Terri Patricia Te Tau

#### WAITAWHITI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - UNDERGRADUATE

Catriona Chanapa Foreman Joost Marius Paans



#### **MANU LANGE**

The Ken and Elizabeth Powell Bursary, 2015

"I was fortunate enough to receive the Ken and Elizabeth Powell Bursary two years in a row while completing my engineering degrees. My passion for mechatronics and machine intelligence seems to mirror that of the Powells who left a bequest to Massey to support students involved in the advancement of technology. The project I received funding for in 2015 forms part of my master's study and focuses on the application of machine vision in medical exoskeletons. Run in conjunction with Rex Bionics and Callaghan Innovation, the project provides an incredible opportunity to work in such a field in New Zealand.

I'm immensely grateful for the Powell bursary as it allowed me to dedicate more time to my studies and to the engineering projects I am passionate about. The bursary is also helping me service my student loan, allowing me to pay it off quicker so I can head overseas to complete my PhD. I'd love to undertake a PhD in robotics engineering before returning to New Zealand to work. My hope is to one day introduce ground-breaking technologies in the field of machine intelligence to New Zealand's engineering industry."



#### **JASMINE KNOWLES**

The Hugh MacDiarmid Bursary, 2015

"It was such an honour to have received a Hugh MacDiarmid bursary in 2015. Honestly, this scholarship made such a difference to the final year of my Veterinary Science degree. It took the financial stress away so that I could focus on my study and get the A+ grades I desired.

Due to the unpaid holiday work requirements of the veterinary degree, and my personal ambition to obtain the best grades, I was unable to get paid work meaning I had to rely on a student loan to provide my income. There is no way I could have got a job and still performed to the level I wanted at university. I had my heart set on getting the Dux award for Veterinary Science and this scholarship, in essence, helped me to do just that!

The money from the scholarship was fantastic, allowing me to buy equipment necessary for fifth year and helped pay for transport and accommodation while on compulsory external placements around the country. I'm now working in my dream job as an Aquaculture Veterinarian in Tasmania.

Thank you to the family of Hugh MacDiarmid and the Massey Foundation for giving me the step up I needed to reach my full potential as a veterinarian."



# Roger Morris Sub Trust supports international PhD student



MASAKO WADA
Recipient of the Roger Morris Sub Trust grant, 2015

The Roger Morris Sub Trust for Animal Health was adopted into the Foundation in April 2004 with initial monies from worldrenowned epidemiologist Professor Emeritus Roger Morris. The purpose of the Sub Trust is to support research and scholarship in epidemiology, food safety, and animal and human health.

Masako Wada, an international student from Japan, was the recipient of a generous grant from the Roger Morris Sub Trust to help her complete her PhD thesis. Part of the Massey University EpiCentre, Masako's PhD project was based on refining the current foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) modelling system for New Zealand.

Originally from Japan, Masako completed her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at Hokkaido University before heading to Edinburgh University to complete her master's. Upon graduation, Masako's home university kindly sponsored her to travel to New Zealand to complete the first half of her PhD studies at Massey.

"I decided to come to Massey because I was interested in the kind of research done here and the lifestyle in New Zealand. Also my mentor in Japan who visited Massey University strongly recommended it to me."

Masako's scholarship ended in April 2014, leaving her with no financial support to complete her PhD in New Zealand. That's when the Roger Morris Sub Trust stepped in and offered her a bursary. Professor Morris described Masako as an outstanding PhD student worthy of support.

Masako is immensely grateful for the support and says without it she would not have been able to complete her PhD. "I would like to thank the Roger Morris Sub Trust and the Massey Foundation for its support and belief in me. The financial and moral support during this time was invaluable and I am thankful that these funds are available to students in critical circumstances."

Over the course of four years, Masako worked on enhancing an existing FMD simulation model by analysing historic FMD data and adding an economic component. The model can be used as New Zealand's decision support tool for FMD. The approach is generic so it can be applied to other diseases with similar characteristics such as swine flu and highly pathogenic avian influenza.

Under the supervision of Professor Tim Carpenter and Dr Naomi Cogger from Massey University's EpiCentre, as well as Professor Mark Stevenson from the Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Melbourne, Masako was able to successfully complete her PhD thesis in early 2016 and is looking forward to graduating in November.

Upon completing her PhD thesis, Masako took up a post-doctoral fellowship at the Massey University EpiCentre, jointly employed by EpiSoft Ltd, where she informs FMD decision making and makes recommendations to the Ministry for Primary Industries. Part of her role also involves developing generic epidemiological and economic tools to evaluate control policies for important zoonotic diseases in South Asian counties. The EpiCentre at Massey is the largest epidemiology training and research centre in Australisia, and is widely considered to be one of the leading groups in the world.

# 2015 Donors

The Foundation is very grateful for the generosity of the many individuals, organisations and trusts that support our work. Your support of students, colleges and projects makes a significant difference to Massey University's students and staff, enabling us to remain at the forefront of teaching, research and learning in New Zealand. **Thank you**.

#### **ORGANISATIONS**

Acurity Health Group Limited

Auckland War Memorial Museum

**Estate of Peter Collett** 

Estate of Vassilios Sarafis

**Lotteries Grants Board** 

Medical Assurance Society New Zealand Limited

Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade

National Museum of the Royal New Zealand Navy

New Zealand Defence Force

New Zealand Equine Veterinary Association

New Zealand Veterinary Association

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Provet New Zealand Pty Ltd

Royal NZ Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Shell New Zealand (2011) Limited

The Warehouse Group Limited

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#### **TRUSTS**

**Donny Charitable Trust** 

MSA Charitable Trust

Student Services Trust

The William and Lois Manchester

Charitable Trust

William Downie Stewart Charitable Trust

#### **INDIVIDUALS**

Anonymous (44)

Jim Aburn

Frazer Allan

Jeanette Allen

Neale Ames

Robert and Robyn Anderson

Marti Anderson

David Atkins

Russ Ballard

Penelope Barr-Sellers

Paddy Bassett

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