Exciting new event in the heart of Auckland city

After an incredible run across the globe in cities like London, New York and Hong Kong, we are delighted to bring you the Auckland edition of Raising the Bar!

Across one night, 20 speakers from the University of Auckland will present a variety of thought-provoking talks in 10 bars around the city. This is a great opportunity to engage your brain while still enjoying the social and fun aspects of your local bar.

If you want to keep in touch with all the upcoming announcements, please subscribe to the Raising the Bar newsletter. Registrations will open on July 20 with the event held on August 29.

SUBSCRIBE TO RAISING THE BAR UPDATES
Alumni acknowledged by the Queen

Congratulations to our 41 alumni who were listed on The New Zealand Royal Honours system. These awards have a long and renowned tradition, with the final candidates hand-picked by Her Majesty with assistance from the Prime Minister.

Candidates were honoured for their services to a wide field of activities, including opera, medicine, marine farming, education and even bowls. Their induction was part of the celebration of the Queen’s birthday.

On the other side of the globe, one of our Distinguished Alumni was honoured with a CBE from the United Kingdom. Julie Maxton is an alumna and former Dean of the Law School and is an integral part of our alumni network in the UK. Her CBE is a reflection of her commitment to Science, Law and Education and we offer our congratulations.

_Pictured above: Julie Maxton_
Alumna named World Class New Zealander

A Young Alumni Award winner has continued to leave a lasting mark on a global stage.

Dr Privahini Bradoo was recognised at the Kea World Class New Zealand Awards, which highlights notable Kiwis who are boosting New Zealand’s reputation across the world.

She is the founder of BlueOak, a recycling company that focuses on recycling electronic goods. Privahini has a solid reputation for creating successful start-ups, applying her science and business knowledge to come up with truly innovative ideas.

Congratulations to Privahini for her ongoing success and contribution to both our country and the world as a whole.

WATCH VIDEO
New website showcases latest business thinking

A new website, UABS Knowledge, has just been launched to increase the impact of Business School academics by showcasing their research, insights, and analysis.

UABS Knowledge features original articles, media commentary pieces, and video interviews, along with information on Business School events and workshops, and career development tools for alumni.

It is also home to the Business Review, the country's only business-focused peer-refereed journal.

VIEW UABS KNOWLEDGE

Make a stanza for your voice
If you have a way with the written word, this might be the chance to get your work off the ground and into the hands of hungry readers.

The 2017 Emerging Poets Competition is a wonderful motivation to put pen to paper and unleash your creativity. Last year’s winner, Michelle Chote, was an alumna, who penned a moving poem which you can read here.

Entrants must be current or former undergraduates who have not published any books and the poem must be an original composition for this competition. Be sure to apply before August 1 for consideration.

ENTER HERE

It's not too late to apply for the NZLI fellowship

If you are looking to develop the mindset of an effective leader then this is the course for you.

With our Alumni fellowship, you will have access to traditional leadership theory, combined with non-traditional development techniques. This fellowship is jointly offered by the New Zealand Leadership Institute (NZLI) and the Alumni Relations Office.

Applications close 7 July so be sure to get in quick.

FIND OUT MORE
Help shape the future of the workforce

The world of the workforce can be a challenging place, with many unspoken intricacies and expectations. In an unfamiliar country, these challenges are only increased.

We are in need of volunteers to help first year international students better understand the ins and outs of a New Zealand workplace. This programme has been immensely fulfilling for both students and alumni, such as Jonathon Li who found he had helped make a real difference.

Your insights and experiences coupled with the connection to the University of Auckland could be of immense value to a student as well as provide you with a wonderful chance to connect with students and other alumni.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Celebrate 100 years of Architecture and Planning

In September, the University of Auckland School of Architecture and Planning is celebrating its centenary and we are excited to bring our alumni and friends a series of events to mark this monumental milestone.

Events will include an architectural exhibition at the Gus Fisher Gallery on Friday 8 September, the launch of a book on the school’s history, The Auckland School: 100 Years of Architecture and Planning and an alumni gala dinner at the Pullman Hotel on Saturday 9 September.

Head to the website to register and for more information on the full programme of events.

REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT
Will the job of teacher/educator exist in 20 years?

The TVNZ series What Next? asked thought-provoking questions and encouraged us to consider what our world will look like in twenty years’ time. We wonder, could teachers be surplus to requirements? Or replaced by robots? Our Associate Dean of Teacher Education and our Associate Dean of Teaching and Learning answered these thought provoking questions.

EVENTS CALENDAR

7 JUL  Samoa Alumni Event
14 JUL  Boston Alumni Event
Are you ready to take a new direction?

Information Session: Change career; change lives
9 August 2017 | 6 - 7:30pm | City Campus

Make the move into a new and rewarding career where you can make a positive difference every single day. This event is a must-attend for anyone with a bachelor’s degree who is interested in studying at graduate level for a career in Teaching, Social Work, Counselling or Social and Community Leadership.

FIND OUT MORE
Put creativity at the heart of business

Join business, academic and creative leaders in Auckland on 5-6 September to explore how a powerful idea can spark innovative businesses, transformation and better leadership in our communities. This involves exploring the very nature of creativity and how we can best apply it to our business practice.

The Business School is offering a significant early bird discount for those who register before July 14, whether you would like to attend one or both days.

This event will be held from 6-7.45pm at the University of Auckland Business School.

REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT
Inaugural professorial lecture on Social Work

Join us in celebrating the University of Auckland’s first Professor of Social Work, Christa Fouché. She joins just five other professors of social work currently researching and teaching in Aotearoa, New Zealand. In this inaugural lecture, she will critically reflect on effective Social Work practice and encourage creative solutions to solve the intricate challenges of effective practice.

FIND OUT MORE

Mediation course available for busy professionals

The Auckland Law School is offering an intensive course in advanced theory and practical skills in mediation and mediation advocacy. Tailored for busy practitioners, this course will be delivered in two parts on a Thursday, Friday and half-day Saturday on 10-12 August and 7-9 September.

Taught by internationally-experienced legal academic and commercial mediator Nina Khouri, this course will provide a valuable introduction to the key concepts and current issues in mediation theory and practice, as well as developing your personal skills in mediation advocacy. This course is available to anyone who has completed an undergraduate degree of any kind.
Winter Lectures 2017: Nation Transformed

The 1987 Immigration Act marked a watershed in Aotearoa-New Zealand’s recent history, adding a diversity to the migrant mix which has transformed the nation’s social and cultural fabric. Three decades on, this six-lecture series addresses the fundamental changes migration has brought and will continue to bring over the 21st century. Over consecutive Wednesdays from 2 August, the lectures will seek to both capture and extend the way the public imagines and engages with migration.