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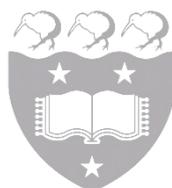
## Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship



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## RESEARCH IMPACT REPORT

November 2015



## Thank You

As my fifth year of medical studies comes close to an end, I wish to offer my sincere thanks for all that you have done for me over the last year. Receiving your assistance earlier this year via the Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship truly served as a catalyst for my personal and professional growth.

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## Financial Input

The Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship provided a generous \$6,000 granted for assistance in paying for my tuition and course related costs for the fifth year of the MBChB program at The University of Auckland.

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## Activity

During the 2015 academic year, I was based in the Auckland and Waitemata District Health Boards, working in both in-patient and out-patient settings as well as spending six weeks on a "selective" travelling around New Zealand with the Mobile Surgical Services Bus.

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## Activity Outputs

My goals for the 2015 academic year were:

- To continue to strive to excel in all areas of clinical medicine
- To continue furthering my growth in personal and professional development.

Furthermore, I am performing a comprehensive literature review on the pathophysiology of non-occlusive mesenteric ischaemia, which I hope to have published by early 2016, with the assistance of Professor John Windsor.

I also set out to achieve my fifth year of study, as I had done with my fourth, with an overall distinction.

## Activity Outcomes

Throughout the year, I displayed clinical excellence in the majority of my assessments and clinical runs, and ultimately achieved an overall year mark of distinction.

I am also in the process of writing my research project, with a projected completion date of January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016. I am then hoping to submit this for publication.

My experience on the Mobile Surgical Services Bus allowed me to work and network with many inspiring and incredibly helpful surgeons around the country who have offered their assistance in my development in several ways.

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## Future Impact

In preparation for job applications in mid-2016, I am hoping to use the progress I have made thus far in the course of my studies to make a strong application for a job at Middlemore Hospital where I greatly enjoyed my fourth year of study.

I am also hoping that with a first author publication for the current project I am working on, as well as with my previous publications and presentations, I will further grow as an academic and clinical professional.

Additionally, with the networking that I have gradually been developing, I hope to pave the path into being accepted into the General Surgery program after my house officer years.

The Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship has greatly assisted me in achieving my 2015 academic goals and hopes for the future.

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