



Welcome to the first Auckland Law School newsletter for 2014. You will see from the news items below that a lot has been happening at the Law School during the last few months.

Our students have achieved considerable success in international competitions. Competing against hundreds of other law schools from around the world, we placed in the top 4 in the International Client Consultation Competition, the top 8 in the Vis International Commercial Arbitration Mooting Competition, the top 8 in the International Chamber of Commerce International Mediation Competition, and were ranked 3rd after the preliminary rounds of the Jessup International Law Mooting Competition.

As you will see mentioned below, David Williams and Caroline Foster have both won prestigious Marsden Awards. The Faculty has established a number of new prizes and scholarships, including for postgraduate study. We have hosted visits from a range of distinguished academics, judges and public officials, including the former Prime Minister, Helen Clark, the President of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, Sir David Baragwanath, and this year's Cameron Fellow, Professor Stephen Bainbridge.

We were saddened by the deaths of Associate Professor Nin Tomas and former Senior Lecturer Pam Ringwood. My thanks to all alumni who have sent their condolences. Nin and Pam will be greatly missed.

With best wishes,

Andrew Stockley
Dean

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Events

30-31 May 2014:

Ownership and Control after the Global Crisis Conference

4 June 2014:

Current Developments in UK Public Law - a seminar by Dr Tom Hickman

20-21 June 2014:

30th Year Auckland Law School Reunion - Classes 1983-85

18 July 2014:

Key issues in the design of capital gains tax regimes conference

14 November 2014:

2014 Conference on the New Zealand Supreme Court: The First Ten Years

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LAW SCHOOL NEWS

Nin Tomas



Associate Professor Nin Tomas (Te Rarewa, Ngāpuhi) died in the early morning of Monday, 17 February. "Nin will be greatly missed by all the staff in the Law School and by the students she has taught, inspired and mentored" says Dean Andrew Stockley.

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Pamela Ringwood



Former Auckland Law School Senior Lecturer, Pam Ringwood, passed away peacefully on Wednesday 19 March 2014. Pam will be remembered fondly by her former colleagues at the Auckland Law School.

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New awards support outstanding postgraduate students



Two students have each received \$15,000 awards to study for a Master of Laws (LLM) at the Auckland Law School.

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Helen Clark says students must become global citizens

Students hoping to work for the United Nations should be prepared to start out in the world's most troubled areas, according to former New

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Zealand Prime Minister Helen Clark. Clark, who is now Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, gave a lecture co-hosted by the New Zealand Centre for Human Rights Law, Policy and Practice entitled "Access to justice and the rule of law in the new global development agenda".

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Parliament and the Protection of Human Rights



The Attorney-General addressed a seminar on "Parliament and the Protection of Human Rights and the role of section 7 of the Bill of Rights" on the 13th March at the offices of Russell McVeagh in Wellington.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Sir Kenneth Keith meets London alumni



There was a large turnout of Auckland Law School alumni to hear Sir Kenneth Keith speak about his work as a judge of the International Court of Justice.

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Many firsts for former Dean of Law



Dr Julie Maxton's illustrious career was recognised with a Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Auckland.

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FACULTY NEWS

Contributing to New Zealand's constitutional debate



Professor David V Williams has been jointly awarded a \$700,000 Marsden Fund grant for research which will help inform New Zealand's continuing constitutional debate.

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The changing role of international arbitration



The Marsden Fund has awarded Dr Caroline Foster a \$390,000 grant to study the changing role of the judge and arbitrator under international law.

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University of Auckland hosts UN seminar on justice for indigenous and disabled peoples



An official United Nations Expert Seminar on restorative justice, indigenous judicial systems and access to justice for indigenous women, children and youth and people with disabilities was hosted by the Faculty of Law in February.

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STUDENT NEWS

Auckland reaches semi-final of the International Client Consultation Competition



Auckland Law School students performed strongly in the opening rounds of the International Client Consultation Competition (ICCC), entering the semi-final round undefeated with perfect scores in first-equal place, but not making it through to the final. [Read more >](#)

Global mediation success for Auckland law team



Auckland students received the third highest score in the preliminary rounds of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Mediation Competition held in Paris in February. [Read more >](#)

Auckland team reaches quarter finals in the world's largest mooting competition



The University of Auckland Law School has placed in the top eight in the Willem C Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot held in Vienna. [Read more >](#)

Auckland Law School represents New Zealand in the Jessup Moot Competition



Auckland law students represented New Zealand at the prestigious Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition in Washington in April. [Read more >](#)

Moana Schwalger Memorial Pasifika Scholarship Winner

Tongan law student Elynn Tupou Ta'anea 'Atiola has been awarded the University of Auckland Moana Schwalger Memorial Pasifika Scholarship. The \$10,000 scholarship was established by law firm Meredith Connell



together with the Pacific Lawyers' Association to encourage postgraduate law study by Pasifika students.

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Top law student wins Rhodes Scholarship



The law school's top undergraduate for 2013, Alice Wang, has won a Rhodes Scholarship to study at the University of Oxford.

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VISITORS

Top US Corporate Governance Scholar visits Auckland



Professor Stephen Bainbridge is this year's Cameron Fellow. The fellowship, funded by Auckland alumnus Tim Cameron, a litigation partner in the leading New York law firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, and his wife Kathy, enables the Auckland Law School to bring out a leading North American scholar to spend time with faculty and students at the law school.

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NZLF International Dispute Resolution Lecture presented by Professor Catherine Rogers

Professor Catherine Rogers of Penn State Law and Queen Mary University of London gave the New Zealand Law Foundation International



Dispute Resolution Lecture for 2013 at the Faculty on Tuesday 26 November 2013. Speaking on the topic "A Window into the Soul of International Arbitration", Professor Rogers gave an insight into the selection of the men and women who help to settle international commercial and investment disputes.

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Justice Sir David Baragwanath talks about the Special Tribunal for Lebanon



The work of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon and its contribution to the rule of law was the subject of an address by Justice Sir David Baragwanath who spoke to staff and students of the Law School and members of the public in February.

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Address by the UN High Representative for Disarmament Affairs



Prospects for disarmament were discussed by Angela Kane, the United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, at a public lecture recently hosted by the Auckland Law School.

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EVENTS

Join us for the 30 Year University of Auckland Law School Reunion



In June the University of Auckland Law School will host the 30th Year Reunion for graduates from the 1980s. If you were a law student in the 80s, you won't want to miss this!

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2014 Conference on the New Zealand Supreme Court: The First Ten Years



The Auckland Law School is hosting a major conference on the first ten years of the New Zealand Supreme Court on Friday 14 November 2014. There will be a dinner at the Auckland Art Gallery the preceding evening (on Thursday 13 November) and the conference will be held at the Top of the Town in the Pullman Hotel from 9am to 5pm on Friday 14th.

[Click here for a list of speakers](#)

NOTICES

Contract – An Underview

Professor Brian Coote no longer has a copy of the Legal Research Foundation booklet containing his valedictory lecture. If anyone could bear to part with his or her copy, he would be happy to pay. Please contact Brian on (09) 376 7116 or email t.ryan@auckland.ac.nz

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