

University of Otago Council

Venue - Council Chamber, First Floor, Clocktower Building



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**UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO COUNCIL
REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

(As disclosed on appointment to the Council and updated as necessary)

All University of Otago Council members are Trustees of The Hocken Collection.

Professor Ralph W Adler

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
Adler Family Foundation	Trustee
Dunedin Community Accounting	Trustee

Frazer B Barton

Entity	Nature of Interest
ALC Trustees No 1 Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Shareholding Company Limited	Director / Partner / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Partnership	Partner
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (2011) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (2013) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (No. 2) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Anderson Lloyd Trustee Company (No.3) Limited	Director / Shareholder
Calvert & Co Trustees Limited	Director / Shareholder
Naseby Development Trust	Trustee
New Zealand Law Society / Te Kāhui Ture o Aotearoa	President and Board Member
New Zealand Law Society / Te Kāhui Ture o Aotearoa – CLE Ltd (Continuing Legal Education)	Director
Otago Law Practitioners Benevolent Fund	Trustee
TCP Holdings Limited	Director / Shareholder
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Trustee

Brendan J Boyle

Entity	Nature of Interest
Brendan Boyle Limited	Director / Shareholder
Fairway Resolution Holdings Limited	Director
Fairway Resolution Limited	Director

Mark Brunton

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
Edgar Diabetes and Obesity Research Centre	Board Member

Hon Clare E Curran

Entity	Nature of Interest
Curran Consultants Ltd	Director / Shareholder
Life Matters Suicide Prevention Trust	General Manager
Ōtākau Mental Health and Addictions Network	Chair
The Network for Learning Board – HR and Remuneration Committee	Chair

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Suzanne L Ellison

Entity	Nature of Interest
Kati Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki	Runaka Manager
Karitane Māori Tours Limited	Director

Stephen J Higgs

Entity	Nature of Interest
BPAC NZ Limited	Director
GMC LP Management Limited	Director
Mitern Limited	Director / Shareholder
Nexus Global Ltd	Director
New Zealand Formulary Ltd	Director
Otago Federated Farmers Charitable Trust	Trustee
Otago Federated Farmers Trust	Trustee
Polson Higgs Wealth Management Limited	Director
South Link Education Trust	Trustee
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Trustee
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Director
Vetlife Limited	Director
Comhla Vet Ltd	Director

Patricia (Trish) A Oakley

Entity	Nature of Interest
Forsyth Barr Limited	Employee / Shareholder
Financial Services Council - Investment and KiwiSaver Committee	Co-Chair
Institute of Directors NZ - Board	Director
Institute of Directors NZ – National Council	Vice President
Institute of Directors NZ – Otago Southland Branch	Committee Member
New Zealand Lotteries Commission - Board	Member
Global Women	Member
The Food Club Limited	Shareholder
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Director

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Hon Grant M Robertson

Entity	Nature of Interest
University of Otago	Employee
University of Otago Foundation Trust	Ex officio Trustee
University of Otago Holdings Limited	Ex officio Director
NZ Vice-Chancellors' Committee (Universities NZ)	Committee Member
KMKT Trust (Family Trust)	Non-beneficial Trustee

Keegan L Wells

Entity	Nature of Interest
Otago University Students' Association	President
NZ Union of Students' Associations	Ex officio Board Member; Council Member

Malcolm A Wong

Entity	Nature of Interest
Aylesbury Investments Limited	Director / Shareholder
Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust	Trustee
CNW Trustees (2007) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees (2017) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees (2020) Limited	Director / Shareholder
CNW Trustees Limited	Director / Shareholder
Cook North & Wong Limited	Director / Shareholder
Dornoch Dunedin Investments Limited	Shareholder (Trustee)
Dunedin Casinos Charitable Trust	Trustee (Advisory)
Dunedin Chinese Gardens Trust	Trustee (Chairman)
Kotahitaka Trust Board	Trustee
Nasico Limited	Shareholder
Palmer Oliver Holdings Limited	Shareholder
Sun Gum Saan Limited	Director
P M Yelavich Anaesthetics Limited	Shareholder
Technology Holdings Limited	Shareholder
Wychwood Holdings Limited	Shareholder



Minutes of a meeting of the University Council

9 July 2024

Present	The Chancellor, (in the Chair), the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor R W Adler, Mr B J Boyle, Mr M Brunton, Mr F B Barton, Hon C E Curran, Ms S L Ellison, Ms K L Wells and Mr M A Wong (by videoconference)
Apology	None
In attendance	<p>Professor H D Nicholson, Mr R Jackson, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (External Engagement) (Interim), the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Enterprise), the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Operating Officer, the Director of Strategy, Analytics and Reporting, the Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Deputy Secretary to the Council</p> <p>Ms M Morgan (Item 14 – Cycle 6 Academic Audit), Professors J Palmer and H Campbell (Item 15), Professors T Conner, A Geddis and J Maclaurin (Item 16), Ms S Murray (Item 17) and Mr H Paul (Item 18)</p>
Welcome	<p>Hon G M Robertson and Mr R Jackson were welcomed to their first meeting of the University Council.</p> <p>Hon G M Robertson provided introductory commentary remarks on taking up the position of Vice-Chancellor.</p>
Thanks	It was acknowledged that Ms M McPherson was attending her final meeting as the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, External Engagement (Interim). She was thanked for her contribution at Council over the last number of months.

Part 1: Open Committee

Opening Karakia led by Professor R W Adler

1. Disclosure of Interests and Register of Interests

The Council received the current Register of Interests for members of the University of Otago Council, and the Chancellor reminded members to declare any changes to the Deputy Secretary to the Council.

2. University Council Minutes

Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 June 2024 were confirmed.

3. Communications from the Senate

The Council received Communications from the Senate, dated 26 June 2024 and

APPROVED the following recommendations:

i) Academic Proposal

- To delete the Nursing (Advanced Mental Health) endorsement for the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences (PGCertHealSc), including the deletion of the following paper:
 - NURS 404 Advanced Mental Health Nursing Practice
- To delete the Buddhist Studies endorsement for the Diploma for Graduates (DipGrad).

and

ii) Scholarships and Prizes

New scholarship

- The John Steele Memorial Music Entrance Scholarship

4. Finance and Budget

4.1 Minutes

The Council received Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee held on 18 April 2024.

4.2 Financial Review Part 1

The Council received a Financial Review Part 1 report for the period ended 31 May 2024 from the Chief Financial Officer and

NOTED the operating surplus for the period ended 31 May 2024 was \$132.7 million, which was \$11.0 million higher than the budgeted surplus of \$121.7 million.

Mr Trott commented on the forecast deficit. He also noted the net cash flows which are lower than budgeted due to delayed borrowing.

5. Capital Development

5.1 Minutes

The Council received Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Capital and Development Committee held on 23 April 2024.

5.2 Capital Projects Report

The Council received a Campus Development and ITS Portfolio Report Part 1, dated 17 June 2024.

The Chief Operating Officer provided commentary on the report including UOC Campus Redevelopment (UOCCR), Aquinas College (formal opening of the extension), Arana, CApSc Building, Strategic Space Project – University Plaza, Property+, SIEM/SOC and Hazardous Substances Inventory.

6. Audit and Risk

6.1 Minutes

The Council received Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 19 March 2024.

7. Health and Safety

7.1 Minutes

The Council received Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Health and Safety Committee held on 22 March 2024.

8. People and Culture

8.1 Minutes

The Council received Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the People and Culture Committee held on 8 March 2024 and on 14 June 2024.

9. Council Membership

The Council received noted the following:

Appointment

Ms P (Trish) A Oakley, Chancellor (Elect) effective 1 October 2024.

TRIBUTE

The Chancellor congratulated Ms Oakley on her appointment.

Mr R Jackson (Ministerial Appointee) effective 1 October 2024.

Retirement from Council

Mr S J Higgs (Chancellor – Ministerial Appointee) who steps down from this role on 30 September 2024.

TRIBUTE The Pro-Chancellor paid tribute to the outgoing Chancellor, Mr S J Higgs, thanking him for his leadership over his term of 12 years including as a Ministerial Appointee and Chancellor.

10. Vice-Chancellor’s Business

10.1 Vice-Chancellor’s Report

The Council received a report from the Vice-Chancellor, dated 3 July 2024 covering topical issues, divisional updates, volunteering and social impact, upcoming events, awards, and recognition.

The Vice-Chancellor provided commentary on his induction week which commenced 1 July 2024 and extended a note of appreciation and thanks to those who welcomed him, particularly mana whenua, Te Poutama Māori and Pacific staff and students and he also acknowledged Professor Nicholson’s leadership contribution to the University. He shared his views on Otago’s mission, ambitions and the purpose driven nature of today’s students.

He also highlighted the recent achievements of Professor J Ruru (Honorary degree awarded from Newcastle University and currently in the top 50 list of emerging leaders); the King’s Birthday Honours to former staff members Emeritus Professor N Peart, E Cunningham and L Warrington; the six Distinguished Chair Appointments to Professors C Abraham, T Ballantyne, P Dearden, S Green, C Hulbe and R Porter; the student recruitment campaign “Down For It?”; and Divisional updates.

10.2 Emeritus Professors

The Council

RATIFIED its decision, made via email resolution in June 2024, to award the title of Emeritus Professor to D Baxter (School of Physiotherapy), P Nel (Politics Programme), S Young (Theatre Programme) and D Lee (Department of Geology).

11. Exclusion of the Public

APPROVED The Council a motion, under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to the Minutes.

11. Exclusion of the Public

The Chancellor moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

- Item 12 Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 11 June 2024
- Item 13 University Council Work Plan 2024 and Action Follow-Register
- Item 14 Vice-Chancellor’s Report – including Cycle 6 Academic Audit
- Item 15 Division of Humanities | Te Kete Aronui Update
- Item 16 Statement on Free Speech
- Item 17 Alumni Engagement
- Item 18 Market Research
- Item 19 Limitations of Enrolment and Specified International Places for 2025
- Item 20 Investment Plan 2025-2027Vice-Chancellor’s Report
- Item 21 Entrance Scholarship Update
- Item 22 Policy Framework Governance
- Item 23 Finance and Budget – Financial Taskforce Reports
- Item 24 Audit and Risk – Compliance Management Policy and Framework
- Item 25 Capital Development – UOC Adaption Business Case
- Item 26 Health and Safety Report
- Item 27 People and Culture Update
- Item 28 Council Information Pack which includes Communications from the Senate – matters for noting, Tuakiritaka Project Update, Organisational Structure, Academic Audit Cycle 6 Portfolio, Minutes from Council Committees, Pre-liminary Financial Review, Financial Review Part 2, Treasury Report, Capital Projects Report, Risk Assurance and Compliance Report, Audit New Zealand – Auditors Report and 2023 PBRF Report, Deep Dive Reports, Annual Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report, Staff Values and Behaviour Survey and Council Membership 2024.
- Item 29 Council Only Business

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 12 - 29 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 12	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 11 June 2024.	ss 9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 13	University Council Work Plan and Action Follow-Register	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 14	Vice-Chancellor's Report including Cycle 6 Academic Audit	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 15	Division of Humanities Te Kete Aronui Update	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 16	Statement on Free Speech	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 17	Alumni Engagement	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 18	Market Research	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 19	Limitations of Enrolment and Specified International Places for 2025	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 20	Investment Plan 2025-2027	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 21	Entrance Scholarship Update	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 22	Policy Framework Governance	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 23	Finance and Budget – Financial Taskforce Reports	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 24	Audit and Risk – Compliance Management Policy and Framework	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 25	Capital Development – UOC Adaption Business Case	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 26	Health and Safety Report – May 2024	ss 9(2)(a), (ba) and (c)
Item 27	People and Culture Update	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 28	Council Information Pack which includes Communications from the Senate – matters for noting, Tuakiritaka Project Update, Organisational Structure, Academic Audit Cycle 6 Portfolio, Minutes from Council Committees, Pre-liminary Financial Review, Financial Review Part 2, Treasury Report, Capital Projects Report, Risk Assurance and Compliance Report, Audit New Zealand – Auditors Report and 2023 PBRF Report, Deep Dive Reports, Annual Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report, Staff Values and Behaviour Survey and Council Membership 2024.	ss 9(2)(i), (j) and (k)
Item 29	Council Only Business	ss 9(2)(a), (i), (j) and (k)

AND THAT for Items 12-28 Professors S Brock, R Blaikie, Mr S Willis, Mr D Thomson, Mr B Trott, Ms M McPherson, for Item 14 – Ms M Morgan, Item 15 – Professors J Palmer and H Campbell, Item 16 – Professors Geddis, Conner and Maclaurin, Item 17 – Ms S Murray and for Item 18 – Mr H Paul be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration and/or knowledge of specific capital projects of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Deputy Secretary to the Council is also permitted to remain at the meeting for Items 1-29 to provide secretarial support and advice.



COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE
31 July 2024

The Senate recommends for approval:

Academic Proposals

The following academic proposals, to be submitted to the Committee on University Academic Programmes:

- To introduce a new endorsement in EMDR Therapy for the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences (PGCertHealSc), including the following new papers:
 - New papers*
 - PSME 455 Foundational Clinical Practice in EMDR Therapy
 - PSME 456 Advanced Clinical Practice in EMDR Therapy
- To amend the structure of the Postgraduate Certificate in Pharmacist Prescribing (PGCertPharm), including an amendment to the entry requirement – from requiring the Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Pharmacy (PGDipClinPharm) (or equivalent) as a prerequisite to requiring the Postgraduate Certificate in Pharmacy (PGCertPharm) – and including the following new papers:
 - New papers*
 - PHCY 621 Pharmacy Prescribing: Access and Equity
 - PHCY 622 Pharmacist Prescribing
- To amend the structure of the Bachelor of Laws (LLB), including a reduction in points required for the degree from 534 to 504.
- To delete the following endorsements for the Postgraduate Certificate in Physiotherapy (PGCertPhty), Postgraduate Diploma in Physiotherapy (PGDipPhty), and Master of Physiotherapy (MPhty), leaving unendorsed options for these qualifications:
 - Deleted endorsements*
 - Neurorehabilitation
 - Sports Physiotherapy
 - Orthopaedic Manipulative Therapy
 - Occupational Health Physiotherapy
- To delete the Master of Dietetics, including the deletion of associated HUND papers:

Deleted papers

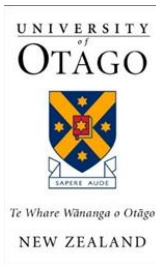
- HUND 471 Clinical Nutrition
- HUND 472 Public Health Dietetics
- HUND 473 Food Service Management
- HUND 475 Applied Dietetics
- HUND 477 Professional Placement

Scholarships and Prizes

The following new scholarship, as outlined in a manatu from the Manager, Postgraduate Scholarships, Prizes and Awards dated 25 June 2024 (attached):

New scholarship

- Mai Chen Legal Innovation Award



Memorandum

To Scholarships and Prizes Committee

From Peter Boston
Manager, Postgraduate Scholarships, Prizes and Awards

Date 25 June 2024

Re **New Scholarship Proposal**

Preamble

The recommendation of the Scholarships and Prizes Committee is sought for the following new scholarship to proceed to the Senate for its consideration.

1. NEW SCHOLARSHIP

a) Mai Chen Legal Innovation Award

- **Department:** Faculty of Law
- **Value:** \$5,000
- **Background:** Dr Mai Chen is a distinguished alumna of the University of Otago, and former member of staff in the Faculty of Law. Dr Chen practices law in Auckland, is an established expert in the fields of constitutional and administrative law in New Zealand, and was recently awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Laws from the University of Otago for her services to the legal profession. Valued at \$5,000, this new award will be granted annually to the student judged to have produced the most innovative piece of legal writing for an LLM or LLB(Hons), or for a LAWS300 or LAWS400 research and writing assignment. The award itself is Dr Chen's initiative, and she has generously agreed to provide funding up front for a minimum of ten years.
- **Recommended by:**
 - Professor Shelley Griffiths, Dean of Law, Division of Humanities
 - Professor Jessica Palmer, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Division of Humanities

New Regulations

Mai Chen Legal Innovation Award

Established in 2024 by the University of Otago in collaboration with the Donor, Dr Mai Chen, an alumna of the University of Otago and former member of staff in the Faculty of Law.

Dr Chen graduated from the University of Otago with a first-class LLB(Hons) degree in 1986. During her time at Otago she also tutored and taught as an assistant law lecturer, and later completed a Master of Laws at Harvard Law School in the United States on a Frank Knox Scholarship. There she won the Irving Oberman Memorial Prize for Best Human Rights thesis at Harvard Law School in 1988, and was also awarded the Ferguson Human Rights Fellowship, a scholarship from the Harvard Human Rights Programme that gave her the

opportunity to serve as a Human Rights Fellow at the International Labour Office (Legal Standards Division) in Geneva.

In 1993, Dr Chen and former Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Palmer KC, published a landmark textbook together on Public Law in New Zealand with Oxford University Press. The following year, 1994, they established Australasia's first specialist public law firm, Chen Palmer, and Dr Chen remained a Senior and then Managing Partner in the firm until 2022, when she moved into private practice as a barrister at Public Law Toolbox Chambers. She wrote a seminal book on the practice of Public law called Public Law Toolbox, and a groundbreaking report on Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Parties in the Courts: A Chinese Case Study. She currently chairs the Superdiversity Institute of Law, Policy and Business, and is the president of New Zealand Asian Lawyers. She founded both of those organisations, and NZ Asian Leaders. Dr Chen was the inaugural chair of NZ Global Women.

For more than 30 years, Dr Chen has been active as one of New Zealand's foremost experts in constitutional and administrative law, and recently received an Honorary Doctorate in Laws from the University of Otago for her services to the legal profession. The accolade recognises her significant contribution to the practice of public and administrative law in New Zealand, and her ongoing commitment to promoting diversity within the profession, and in business and the community.

Dr Chen now wishes to contribute funding to establish an annual award that rewards innovative legal thinking. Valued at \$5,000, the award will be granted each year to the student judged to have produced the most innovative piece of legal writing for an LLM or LLB(Hons) degree, or for a LAWS300 or LAWS400 research and writing assignment. Her donation is for an annual award for ten years (\$50,000 total).

Eligibility

To be considered for this award, a candidate must:

- be a New Zealand citizen or New Zealand Residence Class Visa Holder;
- be enrolled in the LLM or LLB(Hons) programme at the University of Otago, or in any LAWS300 or LAWS400 paper; and
- have completed and submitted an original piece of legal writing in fulfilment of their programme (or paper) requirements, such as a thesis, dissertation, research paper or essay, which in a meaningful way challenges or expands the boundaries of established understanding and thinking about the Law.

Application Process

Students may apply for this award themselves, or may be nominated directly by Faculty academic staff (paper leaders, supervisors, tutors) who identify an outstanding piece of written work they believe merits consideration by the award selection panel.

Every application (i.e. student-initiated) must include:

- a completed application form; and
- an electronic copy of the work (or works) the applicant wishes to submit.

Every nomination (i.e. academic staff-initiated) must include:

- an electronic copy of the work (or works) being nominated;
- a brief statement of support outlining the merits of the nominated work(s).

All applications and nominations for this award must be submitted to Student Administration (Scholarships) at the University of Otago by the specified closing date.

Selection Process

The selection panel will consist of the Dean of the Faculty of Law (or their nominee) plus three senior members of the legal community nominated by the Dean, such as Judiciary or senior practitioners with a strong connection to the Faculty. The selection panel will keep Dr Chen informed of their progress towards choosing a winner, and will advise her of their final decision.

The following factors shall be considered in selecting the successful candidate:

- The broad purpose of the award is to encourage and reward innovative thinking in legal scholarship.
- The winning piece of writing should substantively, or through its methodology, push the boundaries of conventional understanding and thinking about the Law.
- Entries may span a variety of legal subjects and themes.
- Entries may also range in length, complexity and level, from undergraduate essays and research papers submitted as course work (LAWS300-400 only) through to LLB(Hons) dissertations and LLM theses.
- The crucial consideration is the quality and originality of legal thought evident in the work.

Financial

- The total value of the award will be \$5,000.
- There will be one award granted each year.
- The award funds will be paid to the recipient in a single lump sum.
- The winning entry will also be published (subject to editorial constraints) in a suitable forum such as the Otago Law Review in the year following conferment of the award.

Tenure

- The award may be held concurrently with any other University of Otago scholarship where its regulations also allow co-tenure.

Other Requirements

- Conferment of the award is dependent on the recipient being admitted to the University of Otago.
- The University of Otago reserves the right to use the names, photographs, and details of successful applicants for advertising and publicity. The award holders must agree to be reasonably available to participate in interviews and promotional activities if requested by the University of Otago.

Recommendations

- 1) The Scholarships and Prizes Committee recommends that the following new scholarship proceed to Senate for its consideration:
 - a. New Scholarship
 - i. Mai Chen Legal Innovation Award.



FINANCIAL REVIEW – PART I

For the Period Ended 30 June 2024

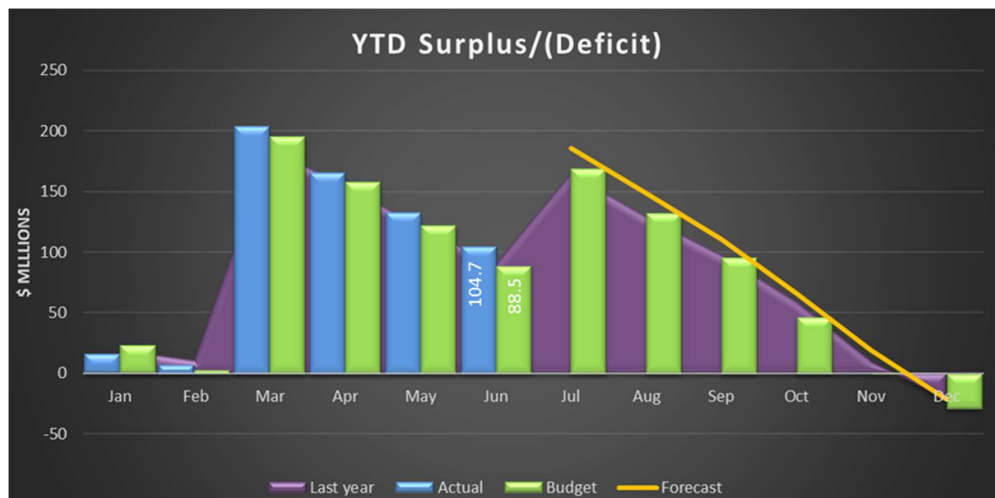
Note: These are the last reports in this format. A new style report is being designed for the July month end reporting period.

Executive Summary

Council approved the 2024 budget at their November 2023 Council meeting. A full year budgeted deficit of \$28.9 million was approved.

The operating surplus for the period ended 30 June was \$104.7 million, which was \$16.3 million higher than the budgeted surplus of \$88.5 million. This favourable variance was largely related to lower than budgeted spend on consumables, salaries, scholarships, earlier than budgeted drawdowns of trust funds and depreciation, offset in part by unfavourable variances on student related income arising from unfavourable domestic enrolments, unfavourable PBRF and finance costs.

Borrowing recommenced in April 2024, which, in conjunction with current cash reserves, ensures sufficient funds to meet expenditure on major projects over the coming months.



Tuition-related income is largely recognised in March and July at the time of first and second semester enrolments, rather than evenly throughout the year. This shows the impact of enrolment numbers as early as possible, allowing time for decisions to be made about the

consequences of variances against income budgets. This phases the University surplus as shown in the graph above, with income being recognised early in the year.

Year to date surplus/(deficit) by function (\$ million):

Full Year		Year to Date			
Last Year	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance	Last Year
\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m	\$ m
209.7	224.8	206.8	203.9	2.9	189.5
6.7	3.7	12.6	10.9	1.7	15.4
(2.2)	0.3	1.3	1.2	0.1	1.2
5.3	1.1	0.4	0.6	(0.1)	2.7
(241.2)	(258.8)	(116.4)	(128.1)	11.8	(118.4)
(21.6)	(28.9)	104.7	88.5	16.3	90.4

Forecast

The forecast deficit of \$21.3 million is \$7.6 million better than the budgeted 2024 deficit of \$28.9 million.

The budgeted 2024 deficit included a \$14.4 million budget gap of which \$12.9 million has now been identified and achieved.

Forecasts are updated monthly to reflect known and forecast movements in income and expenditure items.

	\$ million
Council Approved 2024 Budget	(28.9)
Changes to Income	
Increase in Net Research Overhead and Surplus Transfers	1.6
Increase in net external commercial, donation & intellectual property income	0.9
Decrease in Performance Based Research Funding	(1.4)
Decrease in college fees and property rents	(2.1)
Decrease in student related income	(3.3)
Changes to Expenditure	
Partial release of severance provision in Corporate	5.0
Scholarships lower than forecast	2.5
Net Decrease in consumables	3.1
Decrease in depreciation due to 2023 building revaluation	1.6
Salary savings due to vacant staffing positions	0.9
Reduced ability to capitalise interest on borrowing	(0.5)
Increased occupancy costs	(0.6)
Current Forecast Deficit	(21.3)
\$1.5 million budget gap, still to be identified for 2024	

Divisional Operating Contribution Summary

	Year to date (\$ millions)			Commentary
	Actual	Budget	Variance	
Academic Divisions				
Commerce	2.5	1.9	0.6	Favourable salaries and scholarships, offset in part by unfavourable student and consulting and commercial income.
Health Sciences	82.2	80.9	1.3	Favourable variances in salaries, overhead recoveries and consumables, offset in part by unfavourable student related income.
Humanities	7.3	8.3	(1.0)	Unfavourable variance on student related income and lower than expected MOE funding for Education Support Services.
Sciences	12.6	14.7	(2.0)	Largely related to unfavourable variance on student related income partially offset by favourable overhead recoveries.
Total Academic Divisions	104.7	105.8	(1.1)	
Other Divisions				
Academic & Student Services	12.9	10.3	2.6	Favourable contract & commercial income (which will be offset with expenditure during the year) and favourable salary related costs due to vacant positions.
Campus & Collegiate Life Services	2.0	3.0	(1.0)	Unfavourable variance related to salaries, College and UniFlats occupancy and loss of UniCol summer conferencing income.
Committees	(9.3)	(13.4)	4.2	Favourable variances on scholarships and consumables.
External Engagement	1.6	0.6	1.0	Additional outreach activity income received offset, in part, with related unbudgeted expenditure
Corporate	(5.4)	(10.9)	5.5	Severance costs budgeted, but not incurred.
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Human Resources	0.4	0.1	0.3	
Information Technology Services	(16.0)	(16.1)	0.1	
Operations	7.5	7.6	(0.1)	
Capital Projects	(4.2)	(7.4)	3.1	Favourable timing related variances on IT related projects.
Property Services	2.1	1.2	0.9	Favourable variances on building depreciation and consumables, offset in part by increased occupancy costs.
Research	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.1)	
Shared Services	9.1	8.4	0.7	Favourable salaries and unbudgeted internal grant funding for AskOtago initiative.
Vice Chancellor's Office	(0.4)	(0.6)	0.2	
Total Other Divisions	0.0	(17.3)	17.3	
Grand Total Surplus / (Deficit)	104.7	88.5	16.3	

Treasury

Investment Income

Net Investment income was close to budget.

Cash balance

Cash on hand was \$4.7 million higher than budget.

Operating cash flows were \$8.2m higher than budget, largely due to lower than budgeted payments to suppliers, offset in part by lower income from student and service fees.

Net cash outflow from investing was \$77.3 million year to date. This was \$18.6 million lower than budget due to delayed expenditure on capital projects.

Net cash flows from financing activities were \$50.0 million year to date and \$43.0 million lower than budget due to delayed borrowing.

Capital

Total capital expenditure year to date was \$69.5 million. This was \$23.1 million less than budget.

Capital Projects

Major (project budget \$10 million plus) capital project variances were:

Project	Year to Date			Project Life to Date				
	Actual \$ m	Budget \$ m	Variance \$ m	Actual \$ m	Budget \$ m	% spent	Estimate at Completion \$ m	% complete
Christchurch Campus Redevelopment	29.2	33.2	4.0	100.9	240.8	42%	260.9	37%
CAPSc Building Refurbishment	2.1	5.0	2.9	15.8	22.9	69%	22.9	71%
Aquinas Extension	1.7	0.9	(0.8)	22.9	23.3	98%	23.9	95%
Arana Seismic and Fire	3.0	6.4	3.4	4.7	14.9	32%	13.7	32%
Strategic Space – Plaza and Otago Business School Buildings	3.8	4.8	1.1	7.9	10.4	76%	9.9	74%
Other projects	10.2	19.5	9.3					
Total Major Projects	50.0	69.8	19.9					
Total Divisional Capital	19.6	22.9	3.3					
TOTAL CAPITAL	69.5	92.7	23.1					

Christchurch Campus Redevelopment

- Significant ongoing cost pressures, resulting in increased cost risk profile and estimate at completion, continues to be key focus for the project and steering committee.
- Estimate at completion now includes forecast escalation.
- Forecast completion Q1 2026.

CAPSc Building Refurbishment

- Forecast completion of current seismic works is August 2024.
- Internal fit-out Contractor will commence August 2024 with forecast completion Q2 2025.

Aquinas Extension

- Practical Completion for external works package was achieved in June 2024.
- Negotiation of final account underway.

Arana Seismic and Fire

- Construction work progressing in line with programme and budget.
- Forecast completion Q4 2024.

Strategic Space – Plaza and Otago Business School Buildings

- Pathway and English Language Centre (PELC) construction complete in line with budget.
- Plaza Construction works currently in site with staff move confirmed for August 2024.

Monthly Accounts

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UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Statement of Financial Performance

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR			YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET		ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
		Income				
269,900	293,258	Vote Education	211,511	215,524	(4,013)	195,650
63,683	62,816	Performance Based Research Funding	30,696	31,408	(712)	31,408
3,072	3,216	Vote Health	2,222	1,623	599	1,577
128,622	132,025	Domestic Tuition Fees	89,774	91,774	(2,000)	89,011
45,120	49,332	International Tuition Fees	35,807	34,499	1,308	31,640
5,343	1,125	Investment Income	435	568	(133)	2,656
28,272	28,985	Sundry Income	20,776	20,505	270	20,585
168,302	163,443	Externally Funded Research	89,147	81,682	7,466	80,034
11,051	12,074	Distribution from Trusts	6,660	5,692	968	6,133
88,824	94,735	Consulting & Commercial Income	48,637	48,830	(193)	45,548
(305)	349	Intellectual Property	532	135	397	221
811,885	841,357	Total Income	536,197	532,240	3,957	504,462
		Expenditure				
241,618	248,668	Salaries - Academic	116,897	121,331	4,434	116,858
197,020	199,640	Salaries - Professional	100,320	98,734	(1,586)	96,942
28,947	27,020	Staff Related Costs	14,041	14,236	195	13,915
45,048	44,760	Subcontracted Services	24,115	22,898	(1,217)	19,239
121,766	133,622	Consumables & General	58,326	67,792	9,466	57,530
52,370	57,449	Occupancy Costs	28,035	27,867	(168)	25,762
87,786	98,069	Depreciation	46,951	48,165	1,214	42,719
55,646	57,620	Scholarships	41,097	41,742	645	40,019
3,286	3,429	Finance Costs	1,670	1,009	(661)	1,093
833,487	870,278	Total Expenditure	431,452	443,774	12,322	414,077
(21,602)	(28,921)	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	104,745	88,466	16,279	90,387

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Analysis of Consumables and General

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR			YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET		ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
3,351	3,571	Administration Expenses	1,541	1,705	164	1,606
2,324	2,329	Communications Expenses	1,136	1,171	36	1,191
6,827	7,379	Equipment Expenses	4,241	4,512	272	3,772
17,244	16,855	Laboratory Expenses	8,056	7,939	(117)	7,829
20,907	32,741	Computing Expenses	16,002	23,124	7,121	15,741
15,087	13,175	Reference Material Costs	1,179	1,246	68	1,291
14,268	12,642	Travel & Accommodation Expenses	6,998	6,211	(787)	5,948
4,679	5,280	Advertising & Promotion	1,805	1,772	(33)	1,515
11,586	10,383	Professional, Consulting & Affiliation	5,490	5,197	(293)	6,280
4,542	4,910	Student Related Expenses	2,559	2,629	70	2,509
3,842	1,654	Corporate Expenses	644	824	180	933
10,326	10,164	Goods For Resale & Catering Expenses	4,979	5,164	184	5,016
6,783	12,538	Other Expenses	3,695	6,296	2,601	3,897
121,766	133,622	Total Consumables and General	58,326	67,792	9,466	57,530

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Assets					
CURRENT ASSETS					
14,893	6,512	11,247	6,512	4,735	21,840
-	-	-	-	-	10,000
51,044	54,456	46,807	47,148	(341)	48,157
-	-	65,307	68,895	(3,588)	59,058
20,950	20,025	10,049	10,988	(939)	11,338
1,428	1,634	1,596	1,687	(91)	1,654
88,315	82,628	135,007	135,230	(223)	152,047
INVESTMENTS					
4,379	3,827	4,263	4,197	66	4,544
35,474	36,497	35,516	36,497	(981)	36,400
39,853	40,324	39,779	40,695	(915)	40,943
2,589,005	2,613,252	2,611,501	2,594,973	16,528	2,346,127
2,717,174	2,736,204	2,786,287	2,770,898	15,389	2,539,118
Liabilities					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
105,000	80,000	50,000	-	50,000	-
24,267	26,001	20,718	19,494	1,223	18,598
44,120	38,531	29,724	36,007	(6,283)	28,285
57,115	61,236	58,952	62,294	(3,342)	60,071
35,920	33,504	50,812	51,810	(998)	49,186
81,039	80,488	84,658	90,444	(5,786)	88,400
3,308	-	-	-	-	-
7,157	11,124	27,494	29,861	(2,367)	27,329
357,927	330,884	322,358	289,910	32,448	271,870
TERM LIABILITIES					
28,155	27,811	27,811	27,811	(0)	27,811
41,750	41,940	42,040	41,940	100	40,348
-	123,380	-	93,005	(93,005)	-
69,906	193,131	69,851	162,756	(92,905)	68,159
Equity					
620,328	572,075	596,379	572,075	24,304	616,484
34,354	34,354	34,354	34,354	-	34,354
113,553	136,445	115,892	125,102	(9,210)	117,397
1,542,709	1,498,234	1,542,709	1,498,234	44,474	1,340,468
(21,602)	(28,921)	104,745	88,466	16,279	90,387
2,289,341	2,212,188	2,394,078	2,318,231	75,847	2,199,089
2,717,174	2,736,204	2,786,287	2,770,898	15,389	2,539,118

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Statement of Cashflows

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Operating Activities					
CASH WAS PROVIDED FROM					
339,016	359,290	178,871	179,661	(789)	171,687
194,851	199,985	162,986	174,642	(11,656)	164,811
281,708	281,553	161,452	158,497	2,955	148,554
5,343	1,125	739	568	171	4,056
820,918	841,953	504,048	513,368	(9,320)	489,108
CASH WAS APPLIED TO					
442,062	441,234	217,527	218,224	697	216,330
310,290	328,460	157,877	174,735	16,858	156,851
752,352	769,694	375,404	392,959	(17,555)	373,181
68,566	72,259	128,645	120,409	8,236	115,927
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities					
Investing Activities					
CASH WAS PROVIDED FROM					
1,699	465	(190)	94	(284)	67
131	17,471	46	327	(281)	89
1,830	17,935	(145)	420	(565)	156
CASH WAS APPLIED TO					
140,776	176,078	77,146	96,338	19,192	64,517
140,776	176,078	77,146	96,338	(19,192)	64,517
(138,946)	(158,143)	(77,291)	(95,917)	18,627	(64,361)
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
Financing Activities					
CASH WAS APPLIED TO					
(105,000)	(203,380)	(50,000)	(93,005)	(43,005)	-
(105,000)	(203,380)	(50,000)	(93,005)	43,005	-
105,000	203,380	50,000	93,005	(43,005)	-
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities					
34,619	117,496	101,354	117,496	(16,142)	51,566
Total Cash Flows					
(19,726)	(110,984)	(90,107)	(110,984)	20,877	(19,726)
14,893	6,512	11,247	6,512	4,735	31,840
Closing Balance					
REPRESENTED BY					
14,893	6,512	11,247	6,512	4,735	31,840
-	-	-	-	-	-
14,893	6,512	11,247	6,512	4,735	31,840

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Division of Commerce

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Income					
20,016	19,425	10,755	10,619	136	10,530
2,720	1,938	949	969	(20)	1,338
15,447	14,586	7,957	7,971	(14)	8,216
7,738	6,907	3,393	3,673	(280)	4,205
166	33	135	22	114	57
2,446	938	842	633	209	1,176
283	278	99	136	(37)	118
352	469	79	211	(132)	135
2,691	1,383	1,022	997	25	1,509
51,858	45,957	25,232	25,232	1	27,283
Expenditure					
17,174	14,901	6,976	7,379	402	8,156
1,632	1,461	639	759	120	744
1,189	1,052	490	530	41	567
3	7	136	7	(129)	25
3,504	2,483	1,295	1,367	72	1,698
14	12	6	6	0	7
2,286	2,163	1,074	1,082	7	1,146
184	134	69	68	(1)	92
567	336	141	267	126	369
26,551	22,550	10,826	11,465	639	12,803
25,307	23,407	14,406	13,767	639	14,481
Central Costs					
26,257	25,409	12,878	12,878	-	13,128
1,493	1,327	663	663	-	747
-	-	-	-	-	-
(2,383)	(3,329)	(1,664)	(1,664)	-	(1,192)
25,367	23,407	11,877	11,877	-	12,683
(60)	0	2,529	1,890	639	1,797

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Division of Health Sciences

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR			YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET		ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
		Income				
144,330	158,169	Vote Education	131,029	132,090	(1,061)	119,347
37,454	37,361	Performance Based Research Funding	18,321	18,680	(359)	18,536
3,072	3,216	Vote Health	2,222	1,623	599	1,577
55,859	57,912	Domestic Tuition Fees	46,270	46,682	(412)	44,884
20,794	24,703	International Tuition Fees	20,173	20,715	(542)	17,504
6,087	6,754	Sundry Income	3,551	3,541	10	3,711
113,281	108,800	Externally Funded Research	60,665	54,336	6,328	56,381
4,966	5,195	Distribution from Trusts	3,150	2,346	805	2,976
15,881	16,504	Consulting & Commercial Income	7,799	7,900	(102)	7,705
369	198	Intellectual Property	143	60	83	139
129,327	121,532	Internal Income	61,849	60,153	1,696	67,104
531,421	540,344	Total Income	355,172	348,128	7,044	339,867
		Expenditure				
139,813	140,829	Salaries - Academic	69,329	69,515	186	68,037
29,451	25,936	Salaries - Professional	13,695	12,894	(801)	14,105
11,251	11,008	Staff Related Costs	5,622	5,535	(87)	5,519
26,002	25,279	Subcontracted Services	14,425	12,944	(1,481)	12,170
151,349	144,638	Consumables & General	71,558	69,372	(2,186)	75,931
1,129	372	Occupancy Costs	503	64	(440)	391
35,380	36,222	Internal Rent	18,482	18,281	(202)	17,741
10,344	9,646	Depreciation	4,981	4,916	(65)	5,148
7,542	6,226	Scholarships	4,284	3,608	(676)	4,424
0	-	Finance Costs	0	-	(0)	0
412,261	400,157	Total Expenditure	202,879	197,128	(5,751)	203,466
119,160	140,187	Contribution Margin	152,293	151,000	1,293	136,401
		Central Costs				
130,697	136,986	Service Division Costs	68,453	68,453	-	65,348
12,159	12,537	Surplus Allocation	6,269	6,269	-	6,079
-	-	Interest on Capital	-	-	-	-
(14,959)	(9,336)	Subventions Paid / (Received)	(4,668)	(4,668)	-	(7,479)
127,896	140,187	Total Central Costs	70,054	70,054	-	63,948
(8,736)	(0)	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	82,239	80,947	1,293	72,453

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Division of Humanities

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR			YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET		ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Income						
40,240	42,276	Vote Education	24,315	25,717	(1,402)	24,151
6,907	6,679	Performance Based Research Funding	3,253	3,340	(86)	3,393
27,806	27,908	Domestic Tuition Fees	16,242	17,112	(870)	17,020
6,648	7,903	International Tuition Fees	4,634	3,620	1,015	3,406
648	391	Sundry Income	317	278	39	537
12,507	12,800	Externally Funded Research	5,695	6,182	(488)	4,535
2,609	3,305	Distribution from Trusts	1,406	1,569	(162)	1,235
3,736	3,901	Consulting & Commercial Income	1,475	1,949	(475)	2,085
7	8	Intellectual Property	7	3	4	6
7,027	6,145	Internal Income	3,862	3,332	531	3,975
108,135	111,315	Total Income	61,206	63,101	(1,895)	60,344
Expenditure						
42,642	41,307	Salaries - Academic	19,474	19,831	357	20,309
2,378	2,845	Salaries - Professional	1,181	1,346	165	1,104
3,011	2,812	Staff Related Costs	1,340	1,441	101	1,569
4,294	3,974	Subcontracted Services	1,599	2,186	587	1,312
8,624	8,412	Consumables & General	4,561	4,034	(527)	4,267
177	184	Occupancy Costs	55	75	21	82
6,514	6,936	Internal Rent	3,382	3,468	86	3,280
668	637	Depreciation	314	318	4	336
1,286	1,417	Scholarships	631	772	141	759
0	-	Finance Costs	-	-	-	0
69,594	68,523	Total Expenditure	32,536	33,471	935	33,018
38,541	42,792	Contribution Margin	28,670	29,630	(960)	27,325
Central Costs						
52,667	54,233	Service Division Costs	27,094	27,094	-	26,334
3,122	3,143	Surplus Allocation	1,571	1,571	-	1,561
-	-	Interest on Capital	-	-	-	-
(9,452)	(14,584)	Subventions Paid / (Received)	(7,292)	(7,292)	-	(4,726)
46,337	42,792	Total Central Costs	21,373	21,373	-	23,168
(7,796)	0	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	7,297	8,257	(960)	4,157

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Division of Sciences

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Income					
62,455	69,853	43,235	44,778	(1,544)	39,840
16,272	16,435	7,976	8,218	(241)	7,981
28,596	30,659	18,594	19,189	(595)	18,135
8,165	10,320	5,770	6,222	(452)	5,199
532	181	122	95	28	343
39,496	38,053	20,135	19,094	1,041	17,594
519	669	229	252	(22)	232
1,220	755	630	380	250	697
41	143	86	73	13	2
32,913	32,786	14,451	13,181	1,270	14,059
190,209	199,854	111,229	111,482	(253)	104,083
Expenditure					
46,452	47,799	23,982	23,717	(265)	22,841
7,358	6,178	3,741	3,085	(656)	3,557
3,636	3,348	1,948	1,705	(243)	1,823
10,310	10,186	4,797	5,094	297	3,553
38,717	39,500	17,489	16,640	(849)	16,206
444	211	206	136	(71)	187
15,106	17,378	8,657	8,689	32	7,541
3,544	3,307	1,742	1,647	(96)	1,679
4,025	4,509	2,291	2,361	70	2,324
0	-	0	-	(0)	0
129,591	132,416	64,853	63,072	(1,781)	59,711
60,617	67,437	46,376	48,410	(2,034)	44,373
Central Costs					
59,579	63,721	31,869	31,869	-	29,790
4,857	4,990	2,495	2,495	-	2,429
-	-	-	-	-	-
3,175	(1,273)	(637)	(637)	-	1,587
67,611	67,437	33,727	33,727	-	33,806
(6,994)	0	12,649	14,683	(2,034)	10,567

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Statement of Cost of Service Divisions

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Income					
2,859	3,535	2,176	2,319	(143)	1,782
329	402	197	201	(4)	160
915	960	710	820	(109)	754
1,775	(500)	1,836	269	1,568	1,326
5,343	1,125	435	568	(133)	2,656
20,840	21,626	16,650	16,570	80	15,937
572	2,851	1,811	1,435	375	346
2,674	2,627	1,775	1,389	386	1,572
67,635	73,106	38,655	38,389	266	34,925
(721)	-	298	-	298	73
160,223	175,315	87,899	87,840	58	79,637
262,443	281,048	152,441	149,800	2,641	139,169
Total Income					
Expenditure					
7,503	15,801	3,661	7,186	3,525	3,549
159,799	166,921	81,864	82,534	670	79,093
10,729	9,525	5,095	5,418	323	4,868
4,439	5,314	3,158	2,667	(491)	2,179
104,330	116,681	53,454	62,017	8,563	52,781
60,842	67,696	32,349	32,884	535	30,294
61,470	68,948	34,594	34,474	(120)	29,895
73,047	84,345	39,845	41,217	1,371	35,465
42,226	45,132	33,750	34,735	985	32,144
3,286	3,429	1,670	1,009	(661)	1,093
527,670	583,792	289,441	304,141	14,700	271,362
(265,227)	(302,744)	(137,000)	(154,341)	17,341	(132,193)
Contribution Margin					
Central Costs					
(269,200)	(280,365)	(140,293)	(140,293)	-	(134,600)
(21,631)	(21,997)	(10,998)	(10,998)	-	(10,815)
-	-	-	-	-	-
23,620	28,523	14,261	14,261	-	11,810
(267,211)	(273,839)	(137,030)	(137,030)	-	(133,606)
1,984	(28,905)	30	(17,310)	17,341	1,413
Net Surplus / (Deficit)					
Division Breakdown					
(2,149)	974	1,999	3,016	(1,018)	1,094
(5,353)	(4,539)	12,934	10,307	2,627	11,598
6,674	(0)	(9,289)	(13,446)	4,157	(9,458)
(1,254)	(23,254)	(5,440)	(10,947)	5,507	1,079
309	(0)	1,613	635	979	1,298
(129)	(0)	50	2	48	(82)
161	(0)	353	89	264	154
(17,873)	(18,527)	(16,009)	(16,092)	82	(15,109)
16,284	15,151	7,495	7,576	(81)	7,743
3,413	0	2,081	1,211	871	1,639
(572)	(436)	(226)	(119)	(107)	(53)
14,700	18,078	9,125	8,420	705	7,475
(1,544)	(1,650)	(434)	(612)	178	(917)
(10,684)	(14,702)	(4,223)	(7,351)	3,128	(5,049)
1,984	(28,905)	30	(17,310)	17,341	1,413
Net Surplus / (Deficit)					

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Statement of Capital Expenditure

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Land & Buildings					
100,186	135,135	48,748	67,930	19,183	41,435
DIVISIONAL LAND & BUILDINGS					
574	1,866	131	1,866	1,735	156
613	500	76	85	9	142
-	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
1	-	3	-	(3)	2
25	-	-	-	-	25
1,213	1,366	210	1,951	1,741	325
101,399	136,501	48,958	69,881	20,924	41,760
Furniture & Equipment					
781	-	0	-	(0)	164
2,838	1,617	995	809	(186)	1,298
DIVISIONAL FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT					
13,730	16,692	11,584	9,500	(2,084)	4,543
1,056	1,995	245	1,096	851	420
1	-	-	-	-	1
29	15	7	8	1	22
-	(7,000)	-	(500)	(500)	-
5,299	8,358	2,083	3,928	1,845	1,936
357	495	141	152	11	87
3,844	3,041	1,022	1,683	661	1,683
24,317	23,596	15,083	15,868	784	8,692
27,936	25,213	16,078	16,676	598	10,153
Software & Systems					
2,508	2,150	221	1,075	854	2,468
DIVISIONAL SOFTWARE & SYSTEMS					
10,437	13,589	3,154	3,271	117	2,805
-	(2,000)	-	-	-	-
49	48	17	33	16	62
-	-	9	-	(9)	8
10,485	11,637	3,180	3,303	123	2,876
12,993	13,787	3,401	4,378	977	5,344
Library Books & Periodicals					
-	-	-	-	-	-
2,441	2,506	1,105	1,744	639	1,153
-	-	-	-	-	2
2,441	2,506	1,105	1,744	639	1,155
144,770	178,007	69,541	92,679	23,138	58,413

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Statement of Capital Works

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR		YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
CDC Capex					
APPROVED BUILDING PROJECTS					
17	-	-	-	-	17
14,590	994	1,722	894	(827)	6,896
1,388	11,981	3,004	6,383	3,379	718
(2)	-	-	-	-	-
33,379	80,012	29,239	33,227	3,988	11,021
673	-	10	-	(10)	428
5,696	7,968	2,077	4,968	2,891	2,283
271	-	163	-	(163)	192
1	-	(1)	-	1	-
-	-	12	-	(12)	-
5	-	-	-	-	5
79	500	17	250	233	-
20,698	363	1,303	54	(1,249)	12,924
6	-	(1)	-	1	5
283	-	12	-	(12)	103
285	-	424	-	(424)	172
-	-	4	-	(4)	-
-	400	-	200	200	-
4	-	-	-	-	2
3,893	6,230	3,754	4,829	1,075	652
292	-	-	-	-	172
309	83	35	83	48	159
-	-	146	-	(146)	-
-	3,300	-	1,650	1,650	-
138	-	111	-	(111)	137
38	-	-	-	-	29
5,128	5,407	1,476	5,036	3,560	986
1,643	1,672	1,877	1,672	(204)	144
(10)	-	-	-	-	(10)
-	-	6	-	(6)	-
88,804	118,909	45,389	59,245	13,856	37,035
NEW BUILDINGS					
-	-	-	-	-	-
APPROVED IT PROJECTS					
-	1,117	-	559	559	0
7	-	21	-	(21)	-

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Statement of Capital Works

For the period ended 30 June 2024

FULL YEAR			YEAR TO DATE			
PRIOR YEAR	BUDGET		ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE	PRIOR YEAR
\$000s	\$000s		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
-	-	Customer Relationship Mgt - Phase Two	-	-	-	1
6	-	Dental Clinic Optimisation	-	-	-	11
0	-	Energy Efficiency - ICT and Analytics	-	-	-	0
220	-	OURDrive Cloud Migration	-	-	-	-
26	-	Purchasing System Enhancement	-	-	-	26
457	506	Standard University Desktop Image (SUDI)	184	506	322	215
-	-	Student Management System Enhancements	-	-	-	584
2	-	Web Refresh	-	-	-	2
718	1,623		205	1,065	860	841
89,522	120,532	Total CDC Capex	45,594	60,310	14,715	37,875
		Capital Portion of R&M Budgets				
2,282	2,000	Statutory Projects	77	996	920	862
179	-	Adaption Projects	1	-	(1)	91
13,549	15,126	Preventative Maintenance	4,292	8,139	3,847	6,373
16,010	17,126	Total Capital Portion of R&M Budgets	4,369	9,135	4,766	7,326
		Available Funding for Unapproved Projects				
-	1,244	CDC - ICT Projects available funds	-	369	369	-
-	1,244	Total Available Funding for Unapproved Projects	-	369	369	-
105,532	138,902	Capital Works Additions to Fixed Assets	49,963	69,814	19,851	45,201



CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Capital Development Committee

2 July 2024

Present The Chancellor (Acting Convener), the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr B J Boyle (by video conference), Ms S L Ellison, Professor D L Hay and Associate Professor H Roberts and Mr S W Willis

Apologies Professor P Bremer

In attendance Mr A H Dawson (by video conference), Ms T Syddall (Director of Campus Development), Mr G Roy (Head of Campus Development), Mr J Hayes (Head of Transformation and Improvement), Mr S Turnbull (Chief Digital Officer), Mr P Wyffels (Head of Enterprise Project Management Office) and the Deputy Secretary to the Council

Ms N Weaver (Manager, Business Case Development) (Item 8)

Welcome Hon G M Robertson and Mr A Dawson (incoming Independent Chair) was welcomed to the Committee meeting

Part 1: Open Committee

1. Minutes Part 1 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Development Committee held on 23 April 2024 were confirmed subject to a minor amendment.

2. Capital Projects Report – Part A

The Committee received a Campus Development and ITS Portfolio Report Part 1 dated 17 June 2024.

The Chief Operating Officer provided an update on projects including the UOC Campus redevelopment project, Aquinas Extension, Arana Seismic/ Fire, CApSc Building, Strategic Space Project – PELC and University Plaza. Property+, SIEM/SOC, Hazardous Substances Inventory, Enterprise Forecasting and Planning, Digital Learning Environment, Air Travel and the Net

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

APPROVED a motion under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to these minutes.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Chancellor moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

Item 4	Part 2 of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Capital Development Committee held on 23 April 2024.
Item 5	Capital Development Committee Work Plan and Action Follow-Up Register
Item 6	Capital Development Committee Strategic Risk Report
Item 7	Capital Projects Report Part B
Item 8	UOC Adaption Business Case
Item 9	Accommodation Masterplanning
Item 10	Tranche 1 Property Disposals
Item 11	Convener's Business

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:-

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 4-11 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 4	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Development Committee held on 23 April 2024	s9(2)(a), (b)(ii), (i), (j), and (k)
Item 5	Capital Development Committee Work Plan and Action Follow-Up Register	s9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 6	Capital Development Committee Strategic Risk Report	s9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 7	Capital Projects Report Part B	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 8	UOC Adaption Business Case	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 9	Accommodation Masterplanning	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 10	Tranche 1 Property Disposals	s9(2)(i) (j) and (k)
Item 11	Convener's Business	s9(2)(a), (i), and (k)

AND THAT Ms T Syddall, Mr G Roy, Mr P Wyffels, Mr J Hayes, Mr S Turnbull and for Item 8 – Ms N Weaver be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the University capital programme and/or specific capital projects. This knowledge is relevant to the matters to be discussed as these are concerned with the University capital programme and specific capital projects. The Deputy Secretary to the Council is also permitted to remain at the meeting for Items 4 - 11 so as to provide secretarial support and advice.



AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee

18 June 2024

Present	Mr M A Wong (Convener), the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor (by videoconference), Mr F B Barton and the Hon C E Curran
Apologies	None
In Attendance	Vice-Chancellor (Acting), Professor R Blaike (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research and Enterprise), the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, Mr M Cartwright (Head, Risk, Assurance and Compliance Office), Mr S Turnbull (Chief Digital Officer), Mr R Tomlinson (Audit New Zealand) and the Deputy Secretary to the Council.
Welcome	Mr S Turnbull was welcomed to his first meeting.
Thanks	It was acknowledged that Professor H D Nicholson was attending her final meeting as the Vice-Chancellor (Acting). Helen was thanked for her contribution.
Opening Karakia	led by Mr A Wong

Part 1: Open Committee

1. Minutes Part 1 of the minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 19 March 2024 were confirmed.

2. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

APPROVED a motion, under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to the Minutes.

2. Exclusion of the Public

The Convener moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

Item 3	Part 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 19 March 2024
Item 4	Committee Work Plan and Action Follow Up
Item 5	Policies, Procedures and Frameworks
Item 6	Risk, Assurance and Compliance Report
Item 7	Cyber Security Actions
Item 8	Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI)
Item 9	Corporate Records Services
Item 10	Generator Emissions
Item 11	Conflict of Interest Management (Procurement)
Item 12	Audit New Zealand – Auditors Report & PBRF Report
Item 13	Ethics and Institutional Biological Safety Committee Reports
Item 14	Convener’s Business
Item 15	Committee Only Business

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 3 - 15 Confidential minutes and reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6, 7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Item 3	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 19 March 2024	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 4	Committee Work Plan & Action Follow Up Register	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 5	Policies, Procedures and Frameworks	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 6	Risk, Assurance and Compliance Report	ss9(2)(a), (ba)
Item 7	Cyber Security Actions	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 8	Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI)	ss9(2)(a), (i) and (k)
Item 9	Corporate Record Services	ss9(2)(a), (i) and (k)
Item 10	Generator Emissions	ss9(2)(a), (i) and (k)
Item 11	Conflict of Interest Management (Procurement)	ss9(2)(a), (i) and (k)
Item 12	Audit New Zealand – Auditors Report and PBRF Report	ss9(2)(a), (i) and (k)
Item 13	Ethics & Institutional Biological Safety Committee Reports	ss9(2)(a), (ba)
Item 14	Conveners Business	ss9(2) (ba)
Item 15	Committee Only Business	ss 9(2)(a), (i), (j) and (k)

AND THAT the Vice-Chancellor (Acting), Professor R Blaikie, Mr S Willis, Mr B N Trott, Mr M Cartwright, Mr S Turnbull, Mr R Tomlinson (Audit New Zealand) be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible, or to the auditing function for which these people are responsible. The Deputy Secretary to the Council are also permitted to remain at the meeting so as to provide secretarial support and advice.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

Minutes of a Meeting of the Health and Safety Committee

21 June 2024

- Present** Mr F B Barton (Convener), the Pro-Chancellor, Professors R J Barker, R J Blaikie, Mr M Brunton and Mr S W Willis.
- Apologies** Professor M Gibbons
- In attendance** Ms A McMillan (Director, Health, Safety and Wellbeing), Mr K J Seales (Director of Human Resource), Hon Dr D Clark (Registrar and Secretary to the Council) and Ms S Kearney (Deputy Secretary to the Council).

Part 1 - Open Committee

1. Minutes

Part 1 of the minutes of the meeting of the Health and Safety Committee held on 22 March 2024 were confirmed.

2.. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee

- APPROVED** a motion under Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, that the public be excluded from the remaining parts of the proceedings of the meeting as appended to these minutes.

2. Exclusion of the Public

The Convener moved that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

Item 3	Part 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the Health and Safety Committee held 22 March 2024
Item 4	Action Follow-up Register
Item 5	Strategic Risk Report
Item 6	Health and Safety – Deep Dive Reports, Annual Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report and the Health and Safety Compliance Report
Item 7	Wellbeing Support Report
Item 8	Report from Committee – Hazardous Substances and Radiation Committee
Item 9	Convener’s Business

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 3 - 9 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 3	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 22 March 2024	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 4	Action Follow Up Register	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 5	Strategic Risk Report	ss9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 6	Health and Safety – Deep Dive Reports, Annual Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report and the Health and Safety Compliance Reports	ss 9(2)(a), (ba) and (c)
Item 7	Wellbeing Support Report	ss9(2)(a), (ba)
Item 8	Report from Committee – Hazardous Substances and Radiation Committee	ss9(2)(a), (ba)
Item 9	Convener’s Business	ss9(2) (ba)

AND THAT Mr K J Seales and Ms A McMillan, be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration and/or knowledge of specific capital projects of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Deputy Secretary to the Council are also permitted to remain at the meeting so as to provide secretarial support and advice.

Vice-Chancellor's Report to the University Council



Part 1

6 August 2024

Topical Issues

DVC Māori receives Honorary Degree

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Māori) Distinguished Professor Jacinta Ruru (Raukawa, Ngāti Ranginui) has received an Honorary Doctor of Laws from Newcastle University, UK in recognition of her significant contribution to decolonising New Zealand's research sector and legal education and her work on Indigenous people's rights. Professor Ruru is New Zealand's first Māori Professor of Law and one of the first Māori women to be recognised as a Fellow of the Royal Society Te Apārangi. She is also a recipient of the Prime Minister's Supreme Award for Tertiary Teaching and a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Māori and the law.

Health Research Council Grants

University of Otago researchers recently received seven programme and project grants, worth a total of \$12.2 million, in the latest HRC Projects and Programmes funding rounds.

Research Themes funding announced

Following a contestable process, the University's Research Committee this week awarded 14 Research Themes a total of \$1.4 million over four years from 2025-2028. All four of Otago's academic divisions and all three main campuses are represented across the successful Themes, which encourage a collaborative approach across disciplines, departments and divisions and demonstrate clear alignment with the University's strategic goals and priorities.

Divisional Updates

Health Sciences

- The new campus building under construction in Christchurch has been gifted the name Wai-Ora, symbolising the wellness properties of water and the Ōtakaro Avon River it sits alongside. The name Wai-Ora represents the spiritual and tangible relationship between mana whenua, the building's location, and the health research, clinical practice and teaching that will be conducted onsite.
- A new virtual Centre for Rural Health was opened in Ashburton on 30 July 2024 bringing the highly dispersed rural staff and students of the Department of General Practice and Rural Health and the Rural Health Academic Centre, Ashburton (RHACA) under one umbrella. The Centre will support 46 staff based in 21 rural communities from Hokianga to Balclutha, and undergraduate students in rural sites between Wairoa and Queenstown.

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Vice-Chancellor's Report to the University Council

Part 1

- A group of Māori medical students from the Wellington campus have spent a day with high school students teaching them to take vital signs, use a tendon hammer and listen to heartbeats. The group from Ngā Puna Hauora, the Māori Health Professionals Students' Association, were invited to take part in the Ki te Āpōpō Rangatahi Expo, an event aimed at helping high school students explore career and study options, held at Te Wānanga o Raukawa in Ōtaki in June.

Sciences

- The Dunedin Study has recently gained further public exposure during an episode of “The Kardashians”, one of the world’s most influential families, in which DunedinPACE, an algorithm created by the Dunedin Study to determine the pace of ageing, was used.

Humanities

- A team of 14 Otago archaeology students and graduates are excavating in Mérida, Spain, in the city’s iconic Roman theatre and amphitheatre.
- Kathleen Jamie, who is currently the Makar - National Poet for Scotland, will take up a writing fellowship with the Centre for Irish and Scottish (CISS) later this year.

Commerce

- A Back to Business event was held in Te Wao Nui to kick off Semester 2. As part of a Business South programme called Future Shapers, this twice-yearly event seeks to build connections between students and business. It gives Commerce students the chance to mingle with representatives from local businesses, ask questions of academic staff, and polish their networking skills.
- COMSA (Otago Commerce Students Association) held its annual case competition. Organised in association with PwC, the competition provides an opportunity for students to pitch themselves at a real-world business dilemma.

Alumni

- Alumni athletes and support staff are involved in the Paris Olympics. Leading the New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC) health team at the Games, is alumnus and Director of Performance Health at High Performance Sport New Zealand, Dr Bruce Hamilton. Athletes include alumna Caitlin Deans, Clarke Johnstone, Tori Peeters and former Otago students Holly Robinson, Jordan Parry, Davina Waddy, Phillip Wilson, Finn Butcher and Lucy Matehaere.
- In a rare event, the three sitting judges for the Court of Appeal which takes place in Dunedin once a year, all studied at Otago: Hon Justices Graham Lang, Jillian Mallon and Simon Moore.

Vice-Chancellor's Report to the University Council



Part 1

- Geography alumna Dr Judith Johnston has created two new scholarships at Otago. Creating opportunities for women to further their study in Geography and supporting them in subjects where they are under-represented at Otago, are the motivating factors behind the two new scholarships.

Volunteering and Social Impact

- For the second year running, staff and students at the University of Otago, Christchurch have generously donated 60 pairs of brand-new flannelette pyjamas for sick Tamariki attending Christchurch Hospital.

Upcoming Events

Inaugural Professorial Lectures

13 August 2024	Professor Vivienne Anderson, College of Education
15 August 2024	Professor Sarah Wakes, Department of Mathematics and Statistics
20 August 2024	Professor Peter Jones, Department of Physiology
29 August 2024	Professor Rachael McLean, Department of Preventative and Social Medicine
03 September 2024	Professor Susan Sandretto, College of Education
10 September 2024	Professor Peter Mace, Department of Biochemistry

August Graduation Ceremonies:

- *Saturday 17 August 2024 at 1:00pm*
Guest Speaker: Hon Grant Robertson, Vice-Chancellor, University of Otago
Degrees and diplomas in Arts, Education, Music, Teaching, Theology, Commerce, Law, the BASc, BACom, and BComSc.
- *Saturday 17 August 2024 at 4:00pm*
Guest Speaker: Professor Dame Juliet Gerrard, former Chief Science Advisor to the Prime Minister
Degrees and diplomas in Science, Applied Science, Biomedical Sciences, Surveying, Health Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Medical Laboratory Science, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy and Radiation Therapy

Vice-Chancellor's Report to the University Council



Part 1

Awards and Recognition – Celebrating Excellence

Royal Society Te Apārangī Charles Fleming Senior Scientist Award

An Otago researcher investigating an innovative approach to help people manage diseases associated with the nervous system has been recognised by the Royal Society Te Apārangī. Applied anatomy researcher Associate Professor Yusuf Ozgur Cakmak has been awarded a Royal Society Te Apārangī Charles Fleming Senior Scientist Award to support his neuroprosthetics studies into medical wearables.

Canterbury Medical Research Foundation (CMRF) Emerging Researcher Fellowship for 2024

University of Otago, Christchurch, Senior Research Fellow Dr Angharad Hurley is one of two academics awarded a coveted Canterbury Medical Research Foundation (CMRF) Emerging Researcher Fellowship for 2024. The \$220,000 Fellowship will support Angharad, a Research Fellow in the campus's Department of Paediatrics, with a study to examine whether socio-economic deprivation, geographic location and ethnicity are linked to emergency department admissions for children at Christchurch Hospital.

University of Otago, Christchurch Annual Matariki Awards,

The University of Otago, Christchurch annual Matariki Awards, which recognise staff "star" achievement in demonstrating core campus values, including leadership, social accountability, respect, and collaboration were held recently. The major prize, the Gold Medal for Research Excellence, was awarded this year to Professor Chris Pemberton from the Christchurch Heart Institute (Department of Medicine) for demonstrating sustained excellence in research which magnifies the values of UOC and contributes to the health and wellbeing of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Emerging Rural Educator Award

Sue Donaldson, the leader of Te Tai o Poutini Interprofessional Education programme based in Greymouth, has won the Hauora Taiwhenua Rural Health Network's Emerging Rural Educator award. The network said her dedication to advancing education in rural communities was paving the way for future generations of health professionals, cultivating an environment where interdisciplinary collaboration thrived.

Oral health academic awarded for vitamin D research

Dr Deanna Beckett has won the Hon. Annette King Award for Leadership and Excellence in Oral Health. Awarded by the New Zealand Oral Health Association, her nomination for the award centred around her being a dedicated mentor in oral health therapy education, her work as Associate Editor for the ANZ Journal of Dental and Oral Health Therapy, leading the executive committee of the College of Oral Health Academics, and her groundbreaking PhD research, recognised as exceptional by the University of Otago.

Vice-Chancellor's Report to the University Council



Part 1

Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Scholarship

Dr Sainimere Boladuadua has been awarded a prestigious Fulbright Science and Innovation Graduate Scholarship. Sai graduated with an MBChB from Otago in 2002, a Diploma in Obstetrics and Gynaecology from the Fiji School of Medicine in 2006 and a Master of Public Health (Distinction) from Otago in 2011. She is a Fellow of the New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine and is currently studying for her PhD at Waipapa Taumata Rau, the University of Auckland.

Prime Minister's Scholarship group awardees

In early July the Prime Minister's Scholarship group awardees for 2024-2025 were announced, including the Victoria University of Wellington and University of Otago Indigenous Studies programme with National Pingtung University, Taiwan.

Commerce heat of the 2024 Three Minute Thesis

Arung Mayapada, from the Department of Accountancy and Finance, won the Commerce heat of the 2024 3MT (Three Minute Thesis) Commerce heat with her vibrant presentation, 'Do UK Charities Perform Better with Women Trustees?' Arung won a \$300 research grant and will compete in the grand final on August 15th.

2024 Oceania Athletics Area Championships

Otago taura Josh Chisholm (Kāi Tahu), who is training to be a primary teacher, placed fourth in the para shot put at the 2024 Oceania Athletics Area Championships, held in Suva, Fiji.



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10. Exclusion of the Public

The Chancellor moves that the public be excluded from the whole of the proceeding of this meeting/the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, —

- Item 11 Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 9 July 2024
- Item 12 University Council Work Plan 2024 and Action Follow-Register
- Item 13 Vice-Chancellor’s Report – including University of Otago, Queenstown and University Advisory Group Phase 2 Submission
- Item 14 Communications at Otago
- Item 15 Honorary Degrees
- Item 16 Finance and Budget – Financial Taskforce Reports
- Item 17 Health and Safety Report
- Item 18 Policy Library Review
- Item 19 Wiles v University of Auckland
- Item 20 Council Information Pack
- Item 21 Council Only Business

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows: -

General Subject	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution
Items 11 - 21 Confidential Minutes and Reports	Good reason for withholding information under the Official Information Act	Section 48(1)(a)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6,7 and/or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 (except Section 9(2)(g)(i)) as the case may require. The interests which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows (all references are to Section 9 of the Official Information Act):

Item 11	Pt 2 of the Minutes of the meeting of the University Council held on 9 July 2024.	ss 9(2)(a), (i), and (k)
Item 12	University Council Work Plan and Action Follow-Register	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 13	Vice-Chancellor’s Report including University of Otago Queenstown and University Advisory Group Phase 2 Submission	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 14	Communications at Otago	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 15	Honorary Degrees	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 16	Finance and Budget – Financial Taskforce Reports	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 17	Health and Safety Report – June 2024	ss 9(2)(a), (ba) and (c)
Item 18	Policy Library Review	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 19	Wiles v University of Auckland	ss 9(2)(i) and (k)
Item 20	Council Information Pack which includes Communications from the Senate –on matters approved under delegation and matters for noting, Tuakiritaka Project Update, Student Survey Report, Pre-liminary Financial Review, Financial Review Part 2, Consolidated Group Financial Report, Signing of Deeds, University of Otago Foundation Trust Report, Minutes of Council Committees, Climate Governance Resources and Council Membership 2024	ss 9(2)(i), (j) and (k)
Item 21	Council Only Business	ss 9(2)(a), (i), (j) and (k)

AND THAT for Items 11-20 Professors S Brock, R Blaikie, J Palmer, J Ruru, Mr S Willis, Mr D Thomson, Mr B Trott, for item 13.2 – Professor R Barker, for Item 14 – Ms M McPherson, be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because it relates to aspects of the administration and/or knowledge of specific capital projects of the University of Otago for which these people are responsible. The Registrar and Secretary to the Council and the Deputy Secretary to the Council is also permitted to remain at the meeting for Items 1-21 to provide secretarial support and advice.