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THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**AUCKLAND**  
Te Whare Wānanga o Tāmaki Makaurau  
NEW ZEALAND

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BEST OF SNAPCHAT



5,901  
new students accessed  
ONLINE ORIENTATION



6,600  
STUDENTS ATTENDED THEIR FACULTY ORIENTATION DAY



4,964  
students signed up  
TO HAVE A UNIGUIDE



75,000  
MOUSTACHE COOKIES  
consumed on campus



245  
SUSTAINABLE COFFEE CUPS  
bought from the Campus Store



171  
students on  
LEADERSHIP  
DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAMMES



360,000  
Annual Recreation Centre visits  
1,257  
Group Fitness classes



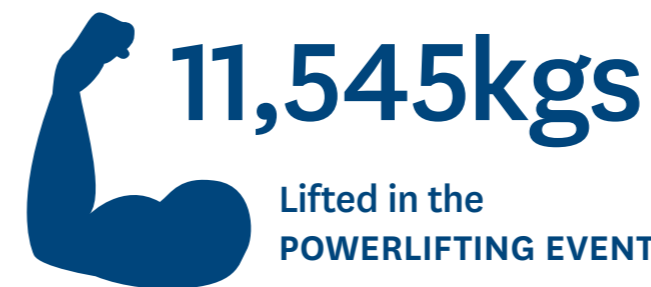
4,809  
UOA T-SHIRTS BOUGHT  
from the Campus Store

# 2017 STUDENT LIFE



1,247  
STUDENTS PARTIED TO KINGS, SACHI, AND MARSHMELLO AT PARTY IN THE PARK

# BY THE NUMBERS



11,545kgs  
Lifted in the  
POWERLIFTING EVENT



240  
University student  
Clubs, Societies and  
Associations



1,590  
First-year students  
attended the  
RITE OF PASSAGE  
TOGA PARTY

BLUES AWARDS  
PRESENTED



114



96  
EVENTS HELD  
ON CAMPUS



11  
INTERFACULTY  
SPORTS TOURNAMENTS



1,400  
PLAYERS IN INTERFACULTY SPORTS TOURNAMENTS



50km  
PADDLED IN THE  
WAKA AMA RACE

# EVENTS



Students attended more than 96 University events during 2017.

MARCH 2017

## TOGA PARTY

Our annual Toga Party was another great success, with nearly 2,000 first year students donning their togas at the Town Hall in this University rite of passage.





1,600  
Nandos burgers were consumed at Party in the Park.

MARCH 2017

## PARTY IN THE PARK

The University and AUSA hosted 'Party in the Park' during O' Week, featuring rising electronic dance music star Marshmello and local acts Kings, Sachi and Summer Thieves. Held in Albert Park on Wednesday 8 March, demand was huge and the 2,000 capacity event sold out days prior.



FMHS races to the finish line.

MARCH 2017

## THE GREAT WAKA AMA RACE

The sixth annual Great Waka Ama Race consisted of seven faculty teams paddling ten kilometres from Takapuna Beach to Rangitoto Island and back, as well as an eight kilometre return run to the summit. Engineering was the winning faculty team for the second year in a row! Not only did they get a year of bragging rights, they also won an all-expenses paid trip to compete in the Queen Lili'uokalani Memorial race in Hawaii. This gruelling 30km, open water race is considered the largest long-distance outrigger canoe race in the world. Flip to page 30 to find out how they got on in Hawaii.



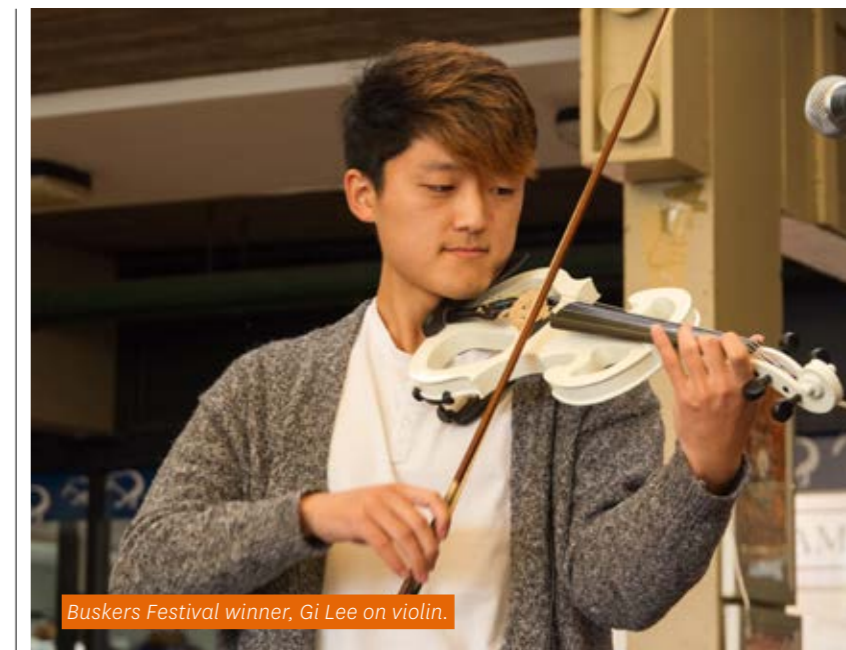
The Faculty of Engineering won the Great Waka Ama Race for the second year in a row.



MAY 2017

## BUSKERS FESTIVAL

Our talented students performed in the Quad in a range of styles including music, diabolo, sword-dancing and more, to the delight of the audience. Pablo Puzzle, Friday's guest busker, captivated the audience with his acrobatic skills and showmanship.



Buskers Festival winner, Gi Lee on violin.



It was an unforgettable experience that allowed our team to get familiar with all of the University of Auckland campuses.  
— RASHMI MOLPARIYA

MARCH 2017

## METROGAINE

This orienteering event connects City, Grafton and Newmarket Campuses so competitors can improve their familiarity with the University. The winners of this year's event was team 'Yeah Yeah' in the three hour race, and team 'VerteBruh' in the 90 minute race.

Along with the running and orienteering part of the event, there was also a best costume competition, won by the 'Potatoes'. Dressed in potato sacks, the team put a whole new twist on the meaning of coach potato.



Auckland City Rascals were a close second.

AUGUST 2017

# BLACK LIGHT NIGHT

Hundreds of students joined this annual, free group fitness party in the dark! Three glow-in-the-dark circuits were run in the blacked-out studios and sports hall - Spin, Pump and Dance Fit.

Participants dressed up in neon and white, to have the ultimate impact under the UV lights.

Participants enjoying Dance Fit.



Instructors, Therese and Tom, lead the Black Light Night Spin class.



APRIL/MAY 2017

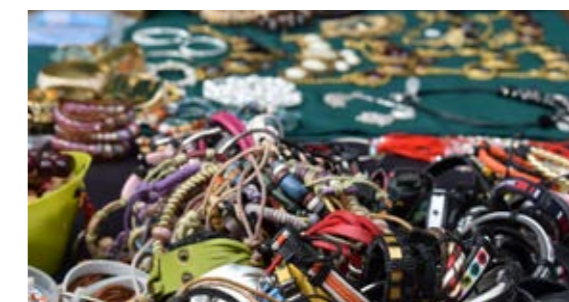
# UNIFLIX

Back by popular demand, on Friday 7 April Shrek aired in the Quad, followed by Moana in the Pavilion on Thursday 11 May. Students were polled for their favourite movie choices, with animated films proving the most popular. Nearly 200 students attended across both events, treated to comfy beanbags and free popcorn for the screenings.

JUNE 2017

# STRESS LESS WEEK

Run in the last week of semester, and hosted by the University and AUSA's powers combined, the aim is to give stressed-out students a much needed break! The week is packed with fun and relaxing events at the City, Grafton, and Epsom Campuses.



THROUGHOUT 2017

# MARKET PLACE

Market Place returned this year under a fortnightly schedule, with regular stallholders including fresh fruit and vegetables, jewellery and second hand books, as well as popular food trucks on a rotating schedule.

MARCH / APRIL 2017

# BLOCK PARTY

Students kick-started their uni year at a series of Block Parties at City and Grafton Campuses. Featuring a sausage sizzle, live music and giant games, it was a relaxing way to start 2017.



JUNE 2017

# LONE PIANO

Late in Semester One, a piano was planted in Epsom Campus's Flame Tree Café, and a week later moved to City Campus's Quad, with instructions for students to send a Snapchat of them or a friend playing it to the University. Music resounded throughout the Quad for the following weeks – some students accompanied their music with singing, and some brought extra instruments in to really enhance the performance.



APRIL 2017

# BYOB

The ice cream was on us at the City, Grafton, Epsom and Tāmaki Campuses in early April. With a focus on sustainability, students brought in their own bowls and spoons and enjoyed dairy-free ice cream!



Students were creative with their 'bowls'.

I've suggested that achievement is built in inches and you are likely all familiar with Malcolm Gladwell's ten thousand hour thesis, and most of you will already be there, but there is no finish line.

— CHANCELLOR SCOTT ST JOHN



SEPTEMBER 2017

# BLUES AWARDS

The 2017 Blues Awards Ceremony was held on Friday 29 September in the Pavilion and hosted by Carol Hirschfeld. 114 Blues were awarded to students for excellence in Sports, Arts and Culture and Service and Leadership. Congratulations to all our winners!

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**MAJOR AWARD WINNERS**

We're spoilt for talent - our major award winners included Olympians, New Zealand record holders, a prominent campaigner and one of the country's best choreographers.



**SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR:**

**ELIZA MCCARTNEY**

Pole vaulter Eliza won an incredible bronze at the 2016 Olympic Games, with a height of 4.80m. Eliza was the youngest Olympic medallist ever in the women's pole vault. She later went on to win bronze in the 2017 IAAF Rome Diamond League, with a height of 4.75m.

**MOST MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCE (SPORT):**

**ELIZA MCCARTNEY**

Eliza's bronze medal at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio secured her the Most Meritorious Performance in Sport. This result was a huge achievement, with her 4.80m clearance equalling her national record and personal best at the time.

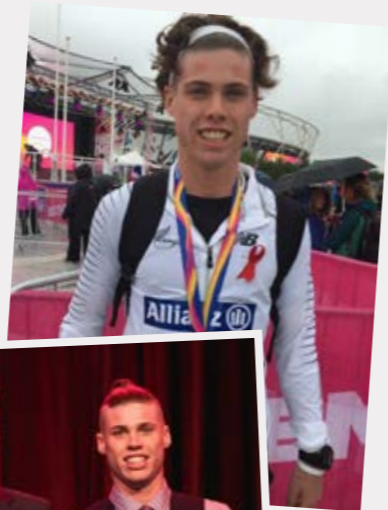
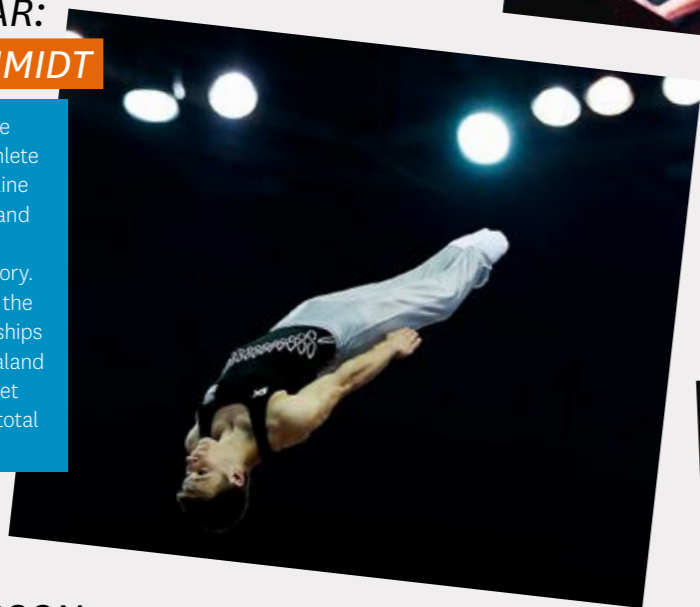
Eliza was also only the fourth New Zealand Olympic medallist in a field event.



**SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR:**

**DYLAN SCHMIDT**

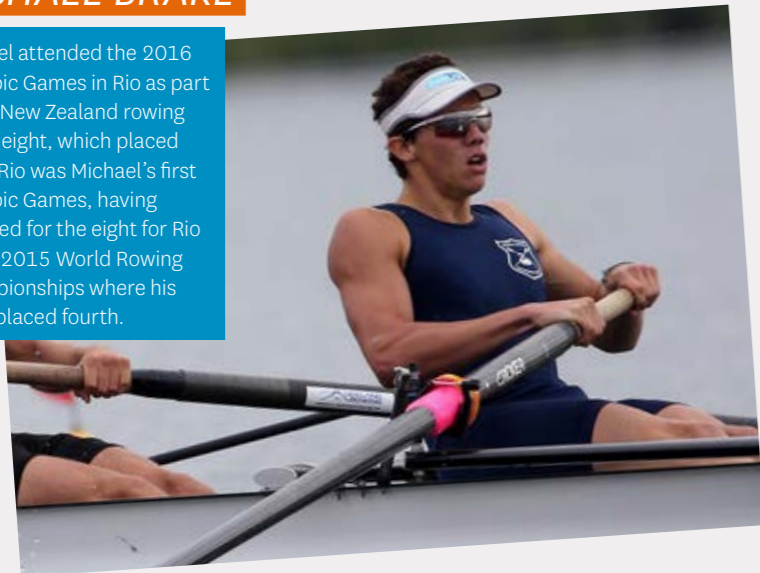
In 2016, Dylan became New Zealand's first athlete to compete in trampolining at an Olympic Games and placed seventh in the individual men's category. He also won bronze at the Pacific Rim Championships and holds the New Zealand records for difficulty, set total score, voluntary total score, and total score.



**MĀORI SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR:**

**MICHAEL BRAKE**

Michael attended the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio as part of the New Zealand rowing men's eight, which placed sixth. Rio was Michael's first Olympic Games, having qualified for the eight for Rio at the 2015 World Rowing Championships where his team placed fourth.



**PARA-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR:**

**KEEGAN OWEN PITCHER**

Keegan has had many great successes as a para-athlete in T36 classification track events. He won gold in the 100m sprint, 200m, and 400m at the Oceania Championships in Fiji and two bronzes in the 400m and 800m at the World Para Athletic Championships in London.

Keegan currently holds the New Zealand record in 200m and 400m.



**MOST MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCE (ARTS AND CULTURAL):**

**SARAH FOSTER-SPROULL**

Sarah was awarded Creative New Zealand's highest honour for a choreographer, the CNZ Choreographic Fellowship, which provides her with \$100,000 to pursue a rigorous programme of dance-related events over two years and promote her creative work internationally.

The fellowship assessment panel described Sarah as "one of New Zealand's most compelling, innovative and creative choreographers".

**MOST OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION (SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP):**

**LUCY MCSWEENEY**

Lucy is a passionate mental health campaigner who is working to improve mental health education in the New Zealand school system.

Her petition, which collected over ten thousand signatures, calls for better guidelines and adequate training and funding for mental health education in the high school curriculum. The petition was delivered to parliament in June and is currently under select committee review for action.





## BLUES AWARD RECIPIENTS

### SPORTS

Abbie Palmer  
 Alani Nicklin  
 Alexandra Parker  
 Alice Tilley  
 Amie Limbrick  
 Aniket Parikh  
 Anjali Thakker  
 Ariana May Kereopa  
 Ashton Reiser  
 Bailey Anne Lovett  
 Billy Bowman  
 Britney Ford  
 Callum Herries  
 Cameron de L'Isle  
 Catherine Layburn  
 Charlotte Moss  
 Charlotte Spence  
 Coral Huang  
 Dallas Watene  
 Daniel Keleghan  
 Dean Shu  
 Devon Beckman  
 Dylan Schmidt  
 Eleanor Delos Reyes  
 Adviento  
 Elise Salt  
 Eliza McCartney  
 Emma Bavelaar  
 Frazer Ellis  
 George Muir  
 Georgia Naera  
 Georgia Carter  
 Georgia Henderson  
 Hayley Carter  
 Helen Murray  
 Hilary Munro  
 James Ramsbottom  
 James Thwaite  
 Jessica Retter  
 Jonathan Kumarich  
 Josie Stevens

Kayla Fairbairn  
 Keegan Owen Pitcher  
 Kim Thompson  
 Lara Molloy  
 Litia Tuiburelevu  
 Martin White  
 Matthew Battley  
 Michael Brake  
 Michaela Sokolich-Beatson  
 Molly Swanson  
 Nicholas Kazunari  
 Rowsby  
 Nona Taute  
 Pippa Hayward  
 Rachel Adams  
 Rebecca Cole  
 Ryan Pieter Deen  
 Sam Kettle  
 Samantha Harrison  
 Samuel Ruruarau Hiha  
 Sarah Carson  
 Sid Dymond  
 Sione Molia  
 Stacey Michelsen  
 Tommy Hayes  
 Vaoala Enesa  
 William Raea

### ARTS & CULTURAL

Aditya Vasudevan  
 Amanda Megayanti  
 Wijaya  
 Ana Lenard  
 Andrew Taylor Grant  
 Bernard Jinhyun Kim  
 Brooke Bardell-Munro  
 Caroline Hope  
 Catherine Kwak  
 Chirag Jindal  
 Chris Ryan

Clovis McEvoy  
 Daniel Maier-Gant  
 Elliott Morgan  
 George Gillard  
 Hanna Valentine  
 Jack Barker  
 James Penn  
 James Rankin  
 Jessica Clare Chase  
 Joshua Pearson  
 Kate Turner  
 Katherine Eichelbaum  
 Kayla Grant  
 Kirsten Strom  
 Linda Dallimore  
 Ling Zhang  
 Lucy Harrison  
 Michael Arada  
 Greenop  
 Priscilla Leow  
 Rui Wen  
 Sarah Foster-Sproull  
 Steven Barker  
 Taylor Chan  
 Tiaan Nelson  
 Xavier Muao Breed  
 Yinan Liu

### SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

Alistair Lock  
 Anna Zam  
 Caroline Hope  
 Charles Norton  
 Erena Wikaire  
 Georgina Hitchcock  
 Kat Poi  
 Lucy McSweeney  
 Morgan Archer  
 Rachel Basevi  
 Urvashi Singh

# CLUBS ASSOCIATIONS & SOCIETIES

There were more than 250 clubs, societies and associations on campus in 2017.

**OVERALL CLUB OF THE YEAR:**

**AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COMPSCI SOCIETY**



OCTOBER 2017

**CLUBS AWARDS**

Our outstanding student clubs and associations were honoured at the annual Clubs Awards on Thursday 5 October. Hosted by Jeremy Elwood, the night saw seven major awards presented and excellent performances by Beats R Us and the Ceroc Club!



**NEW CLUB OF THE YEAR**

**AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COMPSCI SOCIETY**

Runner-up:  
Study Abroad Students' Society

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD**

**UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND SNOWSPORTS CLUB**

**SPORTS CLUB OF THE YEAR**

**AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY HOCKEY CLUB**

Runner-up:  
Auckland University Canoe Club

**CULTURAL CLUB OF THE YEAR**

**UNION OF MALAYSIAN STUDENTS IN AUCKLAND and UNITED MALAY NATIONAL ORGANISATION**

Runner-up:  
International Students' Association of Auckland

**GENERAL CLUB OF THE YEAR**

**FOSSIL FREE AUCKLAND UNI**

Runner-up:  
Equal Justice Project

**PRESIDENT OF THE YEAR**

**HARIS MURTAZA, UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND MUSLIM STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

Runner-up:  
Jeremy Chen, Auckland University Hockey Club

**FEATURE CLUB**

**BADMINTON CLUB**

The Badminton Club celebrated its 10 year anniversary with the successful continuation of badminton and social events, including a welcoming party and shuttlecock recycling-by-decorating event in Semester One. They also hosted a popular badminton open tournament during the break and a trivia night in Semester Two.

But they didn't stop there! The club ran Auckland's first-ever glow-in-the-dark badminton event as a part of the Recreation Centre's Black Light Night. Lots of smiles could be seen in the dark and it was an event not to be missed. The club was proud to be shortlisted for the Sports Club of the Year Award for continuing to provide the University's badminton community with a range of sporting and social opportunities.

[facebook.com/uoabadmintonclub](https://facebook.com/uoabadmintonclub)



CLUBS, ASSOCIATIONS & SOCIETIES

**FEATURE CLUB**

**AFRICAN SOCIETY**

In the African Society's first full year, the group has more than 100 members, has hosted afro-beat dance nights, quiz nights, dance classes and more. The committee is taking steps to get involved in the African community outside of the University by contacting high schools in hope of starting an African student mentorship programme. The society continues to grow and expand its horizons and members are all having a blast doing it! There is so much more vibrancy, dance and music to come. Africa has arrived!

[facebook.com/uasociety](https://facebook.com/uasociety)

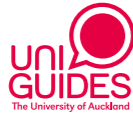


THANKS TO:

# UNIGUIDES

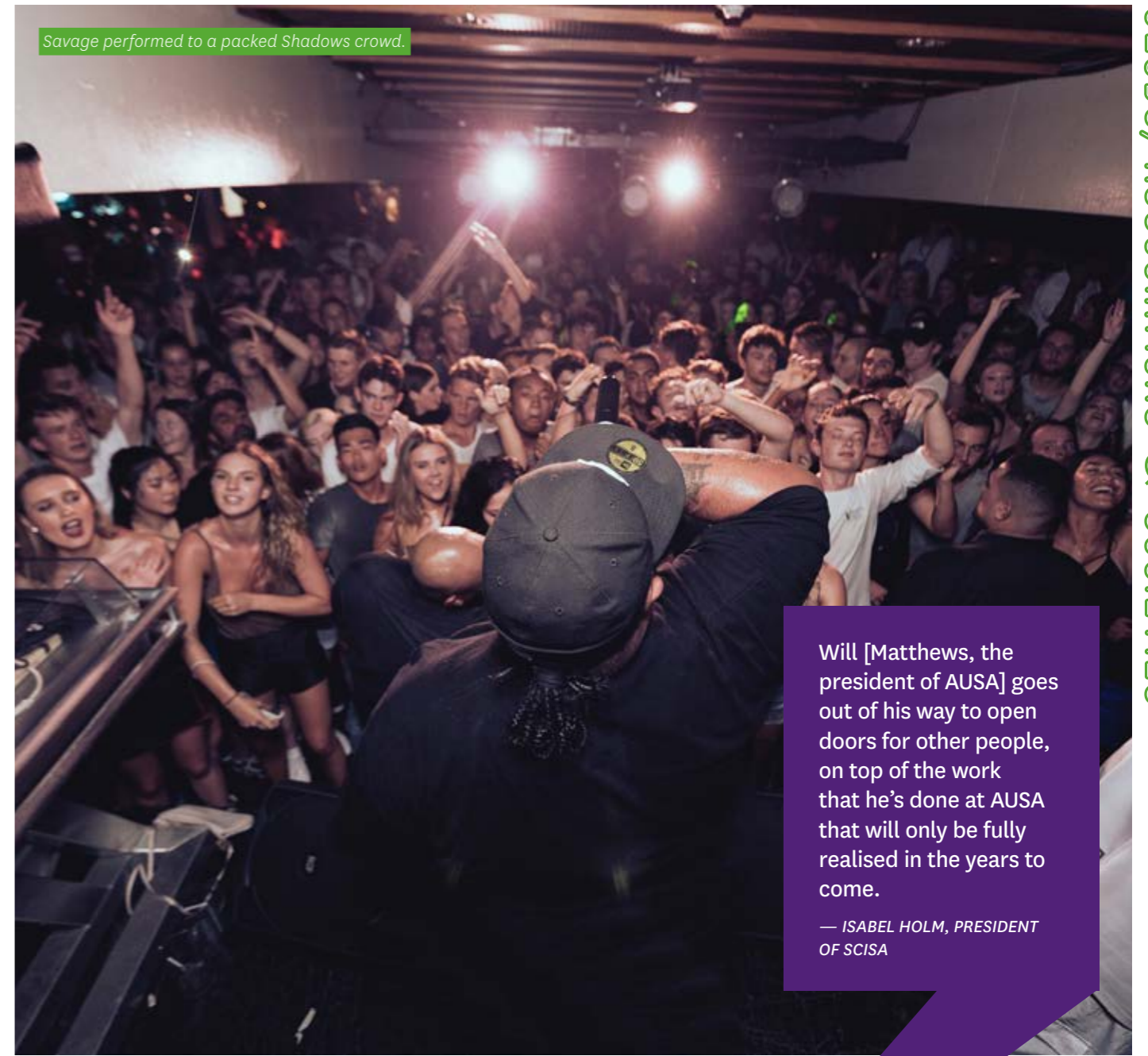
Nearly 300 current students volunteered to help new students get settled into university life through the UniGuide programme. From campus tours to arranging group hangouts, weekly check-ins and answering questions about life at uni, more than 4,000 new students benefitted from this valuable programme.

[auckland.ac.nz/uniguides](http://auckland.ac.nz/uniguides)



**THE AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION** hosts a packed calendar of events each year for students to enjoy. These range from large events such as Orientation, Re//Orientation and End of Daze to fun themed 'weeks' such as Pride Week, Politics Week, Culture & Arts Weeks and Women's Fest. But AUSA isn't all fun and games – the organisation provides a free advocacy service for students who might need help with academic, tenancy, employment and personal issues and a welfare service for students who might need financial assistance.

Savage performed to a packed Shadows crowd.



Will [Matthews, the president of AUSA] goes out of his way to open doors for other people, on top of the work that he's done at AUSA that will only be fully realised in the years to come.  
— ISABEL HOLM, PRESIDENT OF SCISA

MARCH 2017

# O'WEEK

Not only does AUSA work with the University to put on Party in the Park but it also holds a week-long event in both Albert Park and Shadows Bar. This year NZ hip hop royalty, Savage, performed in Shadows Bar and there were a whole lot of activities in Albert Park for Marquee City.





JULY 2017

## RE//ORIENTATION WINTERFEST

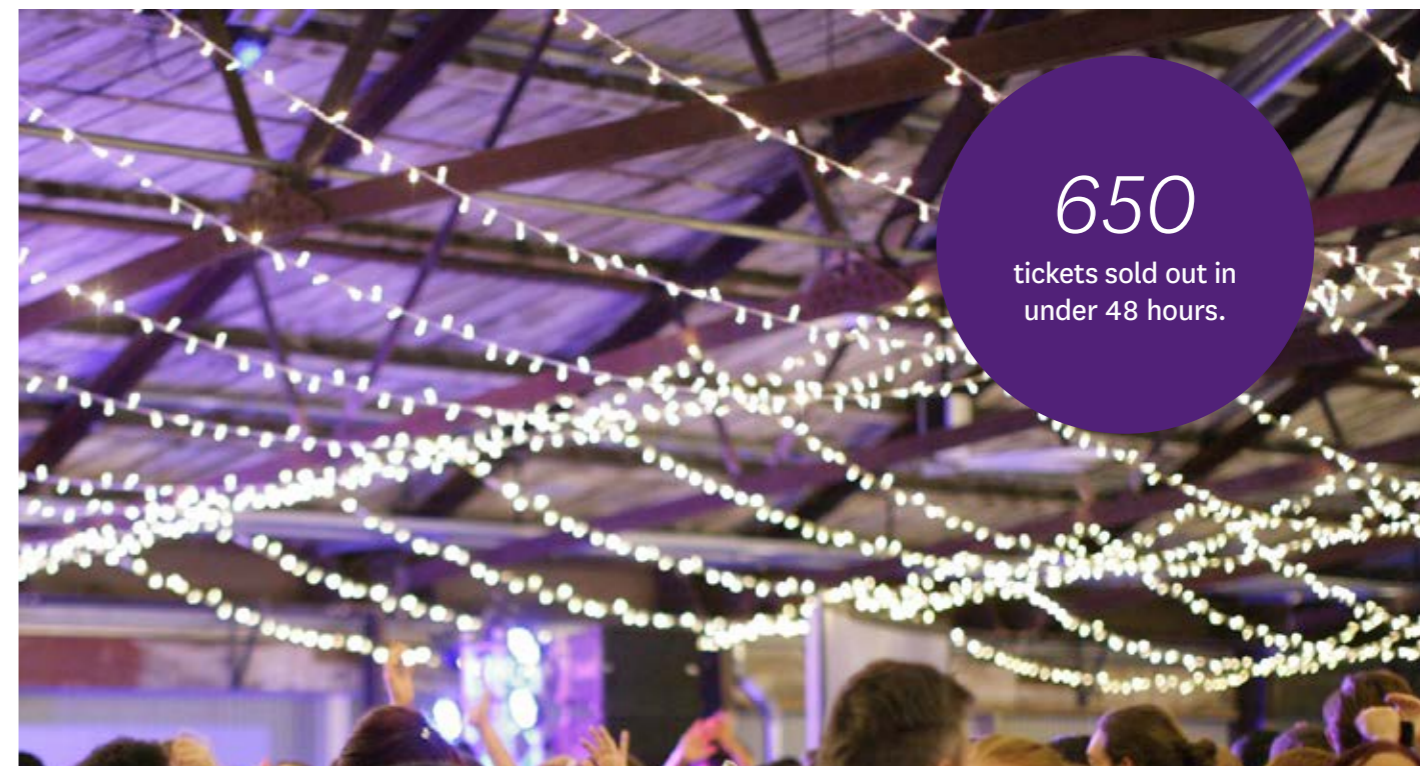
This year AUSA brought winter to campus with Re//Orientation Winterfest. Students got to skate the night away on the pop-up ice rink, Drax Project performed under a 'snow lit' sky and Shadows Bar served mulled wine from its very own ice-bar.



Drax Project.



Students enjoyed the pop-up ice rink in the quad.



650  
tickets sold out in  
under 48 hours.

AUGUST 2017

## AUSA BALL

This year's theme 'A Royal Fairy Tale' saw hundreds of students turn up to Shed 10 dressed in their best to dance the night away.



SEPTEMBER 2017

# ENROL TO VOTE CARNIVAL

AUSA believes it's important for students to get out and vote so this year they put on an Enrol to Vote Carnival with a whole range of games and rides with the aim of encouraging students to enrol in the 2017 general election.



# STUDENT PROFILES

The highlights of 2017 as told by our students.

# TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF...

We asked students across the University to tell us about their 2017 highlights. Students from all eight faculties came back to us with top study tips, song recommendations and a series of unique self-portraits.



FACULTY OF CREATIVE ARTS & INDUSTRIES

**APPY KHETARPAL**  
4th Year Fine Arts Student

**What was the most interesting lecture you went to this year?**

When our studio lecturers spoke about a current exhibition of their work and we visited it as a group.

**What student association achievement are you most proud of?**

ESA taking steps towards determining the future of Huia House.

**What are your hot study tips for 2017?**

Think of something you want to do even less than studying, and then study to procrastinate doing that other thing.

**What do you want to be when you grow up?**

Someone who loves what I'm doing for a living.

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

The Reindeer :)

**Best song of 2017?**

Good Times by All Time Low.



FACULTY OF SCIENCE

**LIZANNE GOMES**  
3rd Year Science Student

**What project are you most proud to have worked on as a Science student?**

In BIOSCI102 we got to grow our own edible mushrooms at home on coffee grounds and it was the grossest but most satisfying lab project ever!

**What was the most interesting lecture you went to this year?**

Our lecturer had a bunch of students come to the front and line up. He then proceeded to pirouette along the line pretending to be a kidney stone and the students had to be the dying cells of the urinary tract.

**Who was your academic or career inspiration this year?**

Those kids who say they haven't studied and then come out with an A plus. Inspirational.

**What is the funniest thing that has happened to you on campus?**

Slipped on wet floors outside Munchy Mart. Funny for everyone else. Not for me though!

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

Hotdog boy of course.

**Best song of 2017?**

That one song in that meme that one time.



FACULTY OF LAW

**JASON AN**  
Auckland University Law  
Students' Society President

**What student association achievement are you most proud of?**

Coping with the increase in student numbers. We have had a bigger camp, a bigger ball and a bigger presence on campus. #students #can #make #a #difference

**What are your hot study tips for 2017?**

1. Go to class
2. Read cases
3. Go to class and read cases

**What is the funniest thing that has happened to you on campus?**

One time, at law camp...

**Describe your life using film titles?**

A Series of Unfortunate Events which includes but is not limited to many moments of Mission Impossible(s), Memento(s) and The Hangover. Trying to Get Rich or Die Trying but realising that I don't have A Beautiful Mind. 5 years experiencing The Good, The Bad And The Ugly all to understand The Pursuit Of Happiness.

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

The one that makes you look better without showing that you are using a filter. You all know the one!

**Best song of 2017?**

Poolside - Baynk



FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

**BILLY BOWMAN**  
Waka Ama Paddler,  
3rd Year Engineering Student

**What was the best course you took this year?**

Mass transfer 312. Going from an A+ to a C in a 3hr period was a highlight.

**What was the most interesting lecture?**

Favourite lecture was from a guest speaker who managed the London Olympic construction project.

**What are your hot study tips for 2017?**

- If you don't try the questions you won't get them wrong
- If you leave it to the last minute it only takes a minute
- Diamonds are forged under pressure

**What's your favourite thing to do in Auckland?**

Getting on the water and seeing Auckland in a different light.

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

Do it for the Gram

**Best song of 2017?**

Perfect - Ed Sheeran



FACULTY OF ARTS

**PHILLIPPA JAFFREY**  
Arts Students  
Organisation President

**What was the most interesting lecture you went to this year?**

In Psychology 307: Social Psych I learnt about Benevolent versus Hostile Sexism. The interesting thing was that undercurrents of sexism and things are aren't usually acknowledged as being outright sexist actually have a significantly more negative effect on women's ability to function than things that we would usually classify as sexist.

**What 2017 current events had the biggest impact on your faculty?**

Probably the renovations in HSB, which now provide some fantastic study spaces.

**Who was your academic inspiration this year?**

Chris Sibley (Social Psychologist).

**What do you want to be when you grow up?**

Successful would be the ideal!

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

I'm a fan of the one that makes your face into a pizza.

**Best song of 2017?**

I'm quite basic with my music tastes, and really enjoyed Paris by the Chainsmokers when it came out.

## THIS YEAR...

@snapuoa received  
**1,629**  
snapchats

Ed Sheeran's  
'Shape Of You' became  
Spotify's most streamed  
song of all time with over

**1.3**  
Billion streams



FACULTY OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCE

**HANNAH POOLE**  
Auckland Pharmacy Students' Association President

**What student association achievement are you most proud of?**

I felt incredibly proud this year that we achieved the highest recorded attendance records for events in APSA's short history. This is a real testament to the hardworking committee this year!

**What are your hot study tips for 2017?**

Quality over quantity. Put your phone away and use apps like StayFocused so that you don't sit in the library all day on Facebook! At the same time make sure you have time left for yourself. It's just as important as studying hard for your grades!

**What 2017 current events had the biggest impact on your faculty?**

Our pharmacy labs got flooded which was a bit of a disaster!

**What is the funniest thing that has happened to you on campus?**

Forgetting covered in shoes for a lab and having to wear a staff members shoes instead of my own!!

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

I'm a cat lover so anything cat related!

**Best song of 2017?**

Lorde - Liability; that song makes me cry!



BUSINESS SCHOOL

**CAMERON HAWORTH**  
4th Year Commerce and Science Student

**What was the best course you took this year?**

FINANCE 383 was a really good practical course. It even helped me get an internship with the Reserve Bank of New Zealand for the upcoming summer!

**What 2017 achievement are you most proud of?**

I was part the University of Auckland team that won the Marshall International Case Competition held in California, and also won best speaker. This was the third time we have won it (no other team has won more than twice!)

**What 2017 current events had the biggest impact on your faculty?**

Trump's presidency has given some of my lecturers a lot to talk about!

**What is the funniest thing that has happened to you on campus?**

Filming a lip sync video of the underwear scene from Risky Business in the middle of the Business School...

**Describe your life using film titles?**

The Fast and Furious story of The Accountant in a small Room trying to create The Theory of Everything with a Notebook.

**Best song of 2017?**

Would have to stay local! Lorde - The Louvre



FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK

**LANA THAIN**  
Education and Social Work Students' Association

**What was the most interesting lecture you went to this year?**

Once our tutor arrived dressed as The Queen and would not enter the room unless we stood and sang the National Anthem!

**Who was your academic or career inspiration this year?**

Dr Kirsten Locke, Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning has been an inspiration to me since first year! She's a brilliant teacher, academic and leader in our faculty. I tried to play it cool when I found out she was the Chair for a committee meeting that I attend, but inside I was geeking out...

**What 2017 current events had the biggest impact on your faculty?**

It would have to be the election! Each party has a vision for education in New Zealand so it's a turbulent time to be entering the field.

**What do you want to be when you grow up?**

A kick ass Primary and Intermediate teacher!

**Favourite Snapchat filter?**

Anything that makes it look like I'm at a rave on a Saturday night when I'm actually wearing a onesie on the couch watching Netflix and drinking cheap wine...#goals

**Best song of 2017?**

Glorious by Macklemore, or anything from Miley Cyrus' new album. Love!

# SPORTS



From social ultimate Frisbee to national futsal and international Waka Ama, 2,123 students participated in University sports programmes during 2017.





Vaoola, Coach Leki, Nona and Billy (front) representing New Zealand in Hawaii.



We were stopped on the street and asked 'are you from New Zealand? The only reason we come is to watch your haka'.

— BILLY BOWMAN, THIRD-YEAR ENGINEERING



The University Waka Ama team and staff participate in the double hull race.



SEPTEMBER 2017

## WAKA AMA PADDLERS TAKE ON HAWAII

Eight students from the Faculty of Engineering represented the University in the annual Queen Lili'uokalani Memorial Canoe race, held off the island of Kona, Hawaii. Considered the largest long-distance outrigger canoe race in the world, they competed against international crews in open water, paddling 18 miles (30km) in the Hawaiian heat. The team won gold for the second consecutive year and beat their winning time from last year by 22 minutes.

Team captain and civil engineering student Nona Taute said the pressure to retain the University's title helped fuel the team's motivation. "There was an elevated level of expectation and as such our diet and hydration were strictly supervised in the week leading up to the race so we were all at optimal body condition. Being one of the lighter teams, we were able to easily catch the swell and pick up some serious boat speed. Every time we passed a team, we gained more confidence and adrenaline, and there was another mixed team on our tail, making us paddle at our highest intensity to stay in front."

Third-year student Billy Bowman said "nothing compares with the electric atmosphere of race day. Being one of the hundreds of crews swarming Kamakahonu Bay, preparing their boats for such a culturally significant voyage, was spiritually humbling."



In 2017  
**1,400**  
 players participated  
 in Interfaculty Sports  
 tournaments.

FMHS vs EDSW in the inaugural Interfaculty hockey tournament.

THROUGHOUT 2017

# INTERFACULTY SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP

Each year, faculties compete in sports tournaments as part of the Interfaculty Sports Championship. After 11 tournaments, the points are tallied to determine the overall champions. Hockey was introduced to the championship this year due to popular demand.

The defending champions, the Science Spartans, were victorious once again in 2017 and claimed the Sir Colin Maiden Shield. Congratulations to all players!



THROUGHOUT 2017

# TERTIARY SPORT

The ultimate trophy in University sport was once again claimed by the University of Auckland.

Fierce rivalry surrounds the University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand (UTSNZ) Shield, which is presented annually to the tertiary provider with the greatest combined points from UTSNZ sporting events and championships held throughout the year.



Hockey players in Wellington.

## RESULTS

### SEMESTER 1

Rugby 7s: 7th (w)

3x3 basketball: 2nd (m), 6th (w)

Futsal: 1st (m), 2nd (w)

Table tennis: 1st (m), 1st (w)

Badminton: 1st (mixed)

### SEMESTER 2

Hockey: 2nd (m), 2nd (w)

Volleyball: 1st (m), 2nd (w)

Netball: 2nd (w)

Basketball: 4th (m), 3rd (w)



Volleyballers in Wellington.

This year more universities were participating in these events. Everyone has improved from 2016 and we are definitely seen as the ones to beat.

— ALBIE EATON,  
Sports Manager



Zach Easthope defends as part of the University basketball team.

THROUGHOUT 2017

# UNIM8S

The UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues were even more popular than last year with everyone fighting for their team spot.

Held at the Recreation Centre on City Campus and nearby Action Indoor Sports facility, students played in volleyball, futsal, basketball, indoor netball, 3x3 basketball and ultimate Frisbee throughout the year.



UNIM8S ultimate Frisbee in the Sports Hall.



UNIM8S Semester One prizegiving.



SEPTEMBER 2017

## POWERLIFTING

The 27th annual Powerlifting event was filled with energy and intensity between the University's best weightlifters. The competition saw 30 athletes complete their best squat, bench press and deadlift, aiming for the best total of all three lifts.



### RESULTS

**Men's competition:**  
1st Ahmad Hariz  
2nd Connor Stanfield  
3rd David Yu

**Women's competition:**  
1st Catherine Shon  
2nd Kimberly Ong  
3rd Traleenah Bentley

# RESIDENCES



More than 3,000 students live on or near campus in University residences.

HUIA BALL



WHITAKER BALL

RESIDENCES

AUGUST 2017

# HALLS OF RESIDENCE BALLS



UNIVERSITY HALL BALL



O'RORKE BALL



OCTOBER 2017

## RESIDENTIAL EXCELLENCE GALA

The Residential Excellence Gala is an opportunity to celebrate student residents who have made a significant contribution to Accommodation, the University and the Community. This year 175 students received awards across six categories.



### 2017 AWARD CATEGORIES

*Excellence for Yourself*  
50 Recipients

*Excellence in Accommodation*  
36 Recipients

*Volunteer Academic Mentors*  
38 Recipients

*Residential Advisory Representatives*  
10 Recipients

*Excellence in the University*  
21 Recipients

*Excellence in the Community*  
20 Recipients

# STUDENT SERVICE

There are a wide range of service opportunities at the University, which hundreds of students get involved in every year.

THROUGHOUT 2017

# VOLUNTEERING

Students volunteered more than 5,500 hours of their time to support great causes and give back to the community in 2017.

Nearly 50 students were formally recognised with a Leadership and Service Award for consistently volunteering within the University and out in the community over a 12-month period.

[auckland.ac.nz/volunteer](http://auckland.ac.nz/volunteer)



A range of charities, including Girl Guiding NZ, attended the annual Volunteer Expo in the Quad.

## LEADERSHIP & SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

### GOLD

Jacqui Tizard  
Kanika Solanki  
Patricia Hubbard  
Brieonie Jenkins  
Caitlin McIlhagga  
Charlie Norton

### SILVER

Aine Kelly-Costello  
Dan Blease  
Irene Wu  
Reshma Jose  
Richelle Fernandes  
Meera Patel  
Sean Xiaojing Lin  
Pauline Pura  
Sophie Roberts  
Bruce Kidd  
Katie Cammell  
Norina Gasteiger  
Serena Goh  
Louise Barker  
Anuja Mitra  
Alex Nelson  
Rebekah Buist  
Daryn Govender

### BRONZE

Alexandra Andrews  
Ben Woodward  
Kristy Leung  
Thalia Babbage  
Natasha Karsan  
Michaela Dobson  
Hazel M J Fowler  
Shirly Chan  
Benjamin F Yeung  
Tara-Leigh Bowler  
Sophia Kwintkiewicz  
Yinsong Jin  
Shelly Tang  
Sophia Riley  
Paht (Pat) Satjipanon  
Analiese Liu  
Thomas Mules  
Shuwen He  
Sophie Richardson  
Pooja Parshottam  
Ben Fulton  
Grace Park



Students on an overnight leadership workshop.

I learned a lot about leadership, teamwork and personal development through a wide range of awesome activities, teaching, advice, coordination and support from Annie, Jack, and the entire team. I really appreciate the relationships and networks formed through this programme.

— DANIEL CAMPBELL

THROUGHOUT 2017

# STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The 2017 programme saw 194 students engage in leadership opportunities in a range of different formats.

Workshops on 'peak productivity', 'building effective relationships' and 'influencing and collaborating' introduced skills that can be used in an everyday leadership context. A two-day overnight workshop, held off campus, provided an opportunity to step outside of the daily routine to reflect on their understanding of leadership.

New in 2017 was the opportunity for 100 students to attend Festival for the Future, a weekend featuring a diverse range of inspiring speakers, hands-on workshops, performances and entertainment.

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