



# Vice-Chancellor's Report to Council

May 2022

## Introduction

Following the completion of the external audit, and with the final approval from Council, the UC Annual report for 2021 was released online. Hard copies were printed, partnership ykvj "P i k"V jwtktk"cpf"Pi k"Vc jw="vjg"Vcmgtg"nkxg-in academic and cultural programme hqt"O qtk"cpf"Rcekhke"hktuv-ygct"uvwf gpvu="cpf"j cxkpi "o qtg"vj cp"72.222"uvwf gpvu"htq o "ctqwpf"vjg"y qtnf" gptqmgf"kp"WEZ"Ocuukxg"Qr gp"Qpnkpg"Eqwtugu"\*OQQEu+0 K"y cu"rngcugf"vq"rctvkekr cvg"kp"WPGUEQøu"5

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# Engagement

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I was privileged to deliver the opening keynote speech at an international webinar on Climate Change, Ugewtkv{"cpf" Uwuvckpcdknkv{"qh" Qegcp" uvcvgs organised by the Commonwealth Climate Resilience





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KiwiNet's Emerging Innovator Programme provides targeted support and funding to early-stage postgraduate students through this programme.

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V j g" R g q r n g" c p f" E w n v w t g" v g c o" j c s implemented the first stage of the online staff orientation software, Q p d q c t f g t 0" V j g" h k t u v" u v c h h" v q" w u g" Q p d q c t f g t" have been 1,522" u g o g u v g t - o n l y academic support staff. Most of them are students in roles such as tutor and research assistant, and the software provided a way of introducing them to university policy, such as v j g" u v c h h" e q f g" q h" e q p f w e v 0" V j g" u { u v g o" y k n n" d g" used to reach all new staff, both continuing and temporary, and provide a wide range of information, including health and safety policy. Usage and completion rates can be tracked and reported to line managers for follow-up if necessary.

Under the supervision of Senior Lecturer in Health Matthew Hobbs and GeoHealth Laboratory eqnngc i w g u. " w p f g t i t c f w c v g" u v w f g p v u" L q u k c j" O k n n c t" c p f" T g w d g p" R c k p v g t" j c x g" d q v j" d g g p" c y c t f g f" v j g" 2022 New Z





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