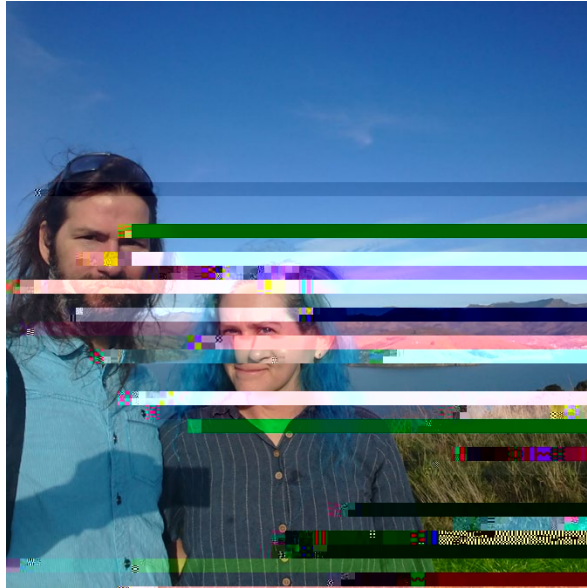


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Associate Professor Kevin Norton is being hosted by Professor Jamie Shulmeister in the School of Earth and Environment. Kevin is a senior lecturer at Massey University (Sagreiwa) in the School of Environment and Forestry. He has been at Massey for 10 years and is currently on an Erskine Fellowship at VUW. He is excited about the possibility of cross-pollination as a means to improve our teaching and research. After 10 years at VUW, I was ready for a new scene and some new ideas. So, I was excited about the possibility of an Erskine Fellowship. I was also keen to make connections with colleagues in the School of Earth and Environment. As a laboratory person myself, I have always been impressed with the quality and dedication of the technical team here but have not had much chance to interact with the academic staff previously. The Erskine Fellowship has given me that chance, and hopefully some new collaborative projects will be launched in the near future!

3. What have you been doing at UC?

My main role while here has been helping teach GEOL246. The course includes lectures, labs, and tutorials, providing a lot of contact time for the students. The course coordinator and tutors have done an excellent job of organising the course keeping it on track during the lockdown. Other than teaching, I have been able to help out with a couple postgraduate student projects, hang out in various laboratories, and converse with colleagues.

I am also grateful to UC, and the technical team at SEE in particular for providing access to the microscopy labs for my wife, Jenny Dahl. She can be f.6 ((d)-0.7 (eTj 9 (a)-3 )10.7 (w)-6.4 (-3 (a)10.6D)-0.7 (r