

VILP Update

4 November 2011

This update is sent weekly, with details of Speaker Events, Seminars, Diplomatic Dialogues, Experiential Activity opportunities and general news. Please also check the VILP organisation on [Blackboard](#) regularly, as information will be added during the week.

Speaker Events

You do not need to book Speaker Events on [CareerHub](#). However, please check the II. Speaker tab on [Blackboard](#) for more details, such as whether a RSVP is required, and for new events added during the week. A reminder about upcoming speaker events:

SPK815	The Politics of Corporate Human Rights Violations	Dr Dave Whyte	Tuesday, 8 Nov	12-1pm	Murphy 305, Kelburn
SPK812	Oxfam Foreign Affairs and Aid 2011 Election Debate	John Haynes, National Party; Hon Maryan Street, Labour Party; Dr Kennedy Graham, Green Party; Kaapua Smith, Maori Party	Tuesday, 8 Nov	6-7:30pm	Rutherford House, Lecture Theatre 1, Pipitea
SPK798	Perspectives on International Dispute Settlement from a Participant	Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Palmer SC, Barrister, Distinguished Fellow Faculty of Law and NZ Centre for Public Law, VUW	Monday, 14 Nov	12-1pm	Rutherford House, Lecture Theatre 2, Pipitea
SPK813	The Commercial Exploitation of Scientific Research Monday	Prof Sir Michael Brady, Emeritus Prof, Dep of Oncology, Univ of Oxford	Monday, 21 Nov	6pm	Rutherford House, Lecture Theatre 2, Pipitea
SPK814	The Continuing Advance of Image Analysis	Prof Sir Michael Brady, Emeritus Prof, Dep of Oncology, Univ of Oxford	Tuesday, 22 Nov	2pm	Cotton 122, Kelburn

Message from the VILP Team

Thank you to all of those finishers who submitted their final VILP documentation this week. While the final count is not yet in, there will be over 35 full programme finishers and 8 tailored programme finishers for 2011. A full listing will be published later. Congratulations to you all for your hard work and participation in the VILP! We look forward to recognising your achievements and celebrating with you at the 7 December joint leadership awards ceremony.

For those of you with some free time over Trimester 3 and the summer, there will still be plenty of speaker events available. Continue to watch Blackboard for details.

The VILP Team will be disbanding in the coming weeks and moving on to other opportunities. Amber is joining the ranks of parenthood and will be on maternity leave from the end of November for a year. Cara remains at Victoria International and is moving to the other end of the hall to join the International Programmes team as Senior Coordinator. We have truly enjoyed your enthusiastic participation and getting to know many of you. We hope to continue hearing about the amazing things our VILPers are up to, and continue seeing your faces around Victoria International.

We will leave you in good hands - an interim VILP Manager and a new VILP Administrator will be starting in the coming weeks. An announcement will be made when they are on board.

This will be the final VILP update of the year but news of interest will continue to be emailed out via the list serve and available on Blackboard. Look forward to receiving the first update of the new year from the new VILP team.



Have a great weekend!
Amber and Cara

For your diary...

Completing the Tailored VILP?

Submit your work at least **1 month prior** to your departure.

Going on Exchange Tri 1, 2012?

Submit your VILP-Vic OE grant application by **30 November**.

See Blackboard for details.



Experiential Opportunity: Category 5

Victoria University Student Consulting Club

What's a Student Consulting Club?

A Consulting firm like “The Boston Consulting Group” or “McKinsey & Company” focuses on solving issues and helps to improve the performance of other companies and organisations. The club will operate like a consulting business company on a small scale and will offer advice and consulting for small and medium businesses and business starters, but it will be completely run by students.

Sounds nice, but what's in for me?

Glory? Fame? Well maybe, but the main advantage will be that YOU, as a student, will be able to test your theoretical skills on real life business problems. This is completely different from an internship. You will form small work groups and solve problems or projects on your own however you see fit. You can basically do whatever crazy stuff you heard in a lecture and always wanted to try out, as long as it helps to solve the presented problem. Oh, and if everything works, you might also end up with some money for your time. (And you can gain VILP Experiential Points based on your level of involvement).

Once the club is set up, we will try to establish connections to local firms and consulting agencies and see if they are interested in supporting our club by giving us small projects to work with and exchange knowledge and information. This is will benefit both sides because you will get some insights and connections and they might eventually be able to recruit more experienced students directly from our club. We will also try to get some professors as patrons for the club, who officially support us and provide guidance if projects cannot be solved by students alone.

Incredible!!!! where do I sign up?

The club doesn't exist yet, but since I have been part of a student consulting club in the past, I basically have all the ideas and knowledge about the club structure and how to get things running. What I need are people who want to help and bring some knowledge. If you are interested contact me!

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RYUKYU-OKINAWA TRADITIONAL PERFORMING ARTS

TOUR OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC: CHIMU

Concert Chamber, Auckland Town Hall, THE EDGE®

303 Queens St, Auckland

Tuesday 08 November

6:30pm (Doors Open 5:45pm)



Book at THE EDGE: www.buytickets.co.nz or 0800 BUY TICKETS
Tickets complimentary (booking fee required). Tickets available from 20 October.
Enquiries: Consulate-General of Japan in Auckland
Email: pr@cji.org.nz, Phone: (09) 303 4106, www.auckland.nz.cmb-japan.go.jp



Organised by the Consulate-General of Japan and the Japan Foundation
Kia kaha, and thank you New Zealand



Get Involved

A new webpage has been launched for current students to learn about how to get more involved at the university. Many of the opportunities in this directory are linked to VILP and the Vic Plus Award. Find out more and get involved!

<http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/getinvolved/>



Seminars

Note: Please prepare for these seminars! More information can be found under the **I. Seminars** tab on [Blackboard](#). Booking is essential for all seminars and is done via [CareerHub](#).

***The VILP Seminar Series for Trimester 2 has finished.

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