CEREMONY 4

3 pm, Wednesday 27 May 2026

Te Wāhanga a Manaia—Faculty of Science and Engineering

Order of ceremony

Official procession into the auditorium

Te tangi puoro and haka pōhiri (page 3)

Graduates' procession into the auditorium

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Chancellor's address

Presentation of graduates to the Chancellor, Alan Judge

Musical interlude

Presentation of graduates to the Pro-Chancellor, Pania Gray

Musical interlude

Presentation of graduates to the Chancellor

Graduate speaker's address
Arnav Dogra

Chancellor's closing remarks

Official procession from the auditorium

Graduates' procession from the auditorium

Please remain standing until the processions have left the auditorium.

REFERENCES

1	First Class Honours	*D*	Distinction
2/1	Second Class Honours (first division)	*M*	Merit
2/2	Second Class Honours (second division)		
3	Third Class Honours		

Doctoral degree research summaries

Susan Al-Hafid

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geology

Thesis title: 'Studying the Dynamics of Atmospheric Circulation in the Tropical South Pacific During the Last Glacial Period'

Supervisors: *Associate Professor Daniel Sinclair and Associate Professor Josephine Brown*

Olya Albot

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geology

Thesis title: 'Blue Carbon in Aotearoa New Zealand: Carbon dynamics, ecosystem resilience, and economic perspectives'

Supervisors: *Professor Richard Levy and Joshua Ratcliffe*

Hannah Boswell

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Science

Thesis title: 'Investigating MAIT Cell Regulation of Lung Immune Responses During Vaccination and Infection'

Supervisors: *Dr Lisa Connor and Professor Ian Hermans*

Lani Jeanne Burke

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology

Thesis title: 'Investigating Transcriptional Regulation to Enhance Natural Product Biosynthesis in Filamentous Fungi'

Supervisors: *Professor Emily Parker, Dr Luke Stevenson, and Dr Daniel Berry*

Duncan Cameron

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

Thesis title: 'Towards Dynamic Energy and Performance Management of Wireless Internet Service Provider Networks'

Supervisors: *Dr Alvin Valera and Professor Winston Seah*

Ben George Koshy

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

Thesis title: 'AC Loss Research in HTS Conductors and Coils Carrying DC Current under AC Magnetic Fields'

Supervisors: *Professor Zhenan Jiang, Dr Ben Mallett, and Dr Mark Ainslie*

Zoe Heine

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Science in Society

Thesis title: 'Stories from the Shoreline: An Exploration of Sea Level Rise and Storytelling Practice in Aotearoa New Zealand'

Supervisors: *Professor Rebecca Priestley, Dr Tim Corballis, and Professor Richard Levy*

Kun Huang

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Graphics

Thesis title: '360° Image Manipulation from Inferred Geometry'

Supervisors: *Dr Fanglue Zhang and Professor Neil Dodgson*

Polina Idelchik

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biology

Thesis title: 'Microbial Interactions in the Kiwifruit Phyllosphere'

Supervisors: *Dr Monica Gerth and Dr Nicola Day*

Atif Islam

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering

Thesis title: 'Voltage Control of Perpendicular Magnetic Anisotropy of CoFeB and Co2MnGa-based Stacks for Sensing Applications'

Supervisors: *Dr Simon Granville and Dr Natalie Plank*

Brenda Luong

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Thesis title: 'The Synthesis and Immunological Evaluation of Carbohydrate-Derived Agonists to Activate Innate and Innate-Like T Cells'

Supervisors: *Professor Bridget Stocker, Dr Lisa Connor, Associate Professor Mattie Timmer, and Dr Emma Dangerfield*

Freya Newton

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Ecology and Biodiversity

Thesis title: 'Long-term Impacts of Elevated Carbon Dioxide and Grazing on Grassland Soil Microbiomes'

Supervisors: *Associate Professor Julie Deslippe and Dr Shengjing Shi*

Sam Otter

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Thesis title: 'Quantitative Prediction and Measurement of Exciton Diffusion in Photoactive Framework Materials'

Supervisors: *Professor Justin Hodgkiss and Dr Kai Chen*

Kristin Pratscher

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geophysics

Thesis title: 'Simulating Geomagnetically Induced Currents Using Empirical Magnetotelluric Impedances in Aotearoa New Zealand'

Supervisors: *Dr Malcolm Ingham and Dr Wiebke Heise*

George Smith

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Thesis title: 'Synthesis and Reactivity of Low-valent Aluminyl Anion and Group 14-Derived Heterobimetallic Complexes'

Supervisors: *Associate Professor J. Robin Fulton and Professor Martyn Coles*

Fengyang Sun

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

Thesis title: 'Knowledge-driven Evolutionary Optimisation for Internet of Things Service Composition with Replication'

Supervisors: *Associate Professor Hui Ma and Dr Aaron Chen*

Stephanie Tickle

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geology

Thesis title: 'Testing the Assumptions of Turbidite Paleoseismology Using the 2016 Kaikoura Earthquake'

Supervisors: *Professor Jamie Howarth and Dr Alan Orpin*

Qinyu Wang

Admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

Thesis title: 'Genetic Programming for Fine-grained Image Classification'

Supervisors: *Professor Mengjie Zhang, Professor Bing Xue, and Professor Ying Bi*

Presentation of graduates

Graduates may be called on stage in a different order from that listed in this programme.

Doctor of Philosophy

Al-Hafid, Susan, *in Geology*

Albot, Olya, *in Geology*

Boswell, Hannah, *in Biomedical Science*

Burke, Lani Jeanne, *in Biotechnology*

Cameron, Duncan, *in Engineering*

George Koshy, Ben, *in Engineering*

Heine, Zoe, *in Society*

Huang, Kun, *in Computer Graphics*

Idelchik, Polina, *in Biology*

Islam, Atif, *in Engineering*

Luong, Brenda, *in Chemistry*

Newton, Freya, *in Ecology and Biodiversity*

Otter, Sam, *in Chemistry*

Pratscher, Kristin, *in Geophysics*

Smith, George, *in Chemistry*

Sun, Fengyang, *in Computer Science*

Tickle, Stephanie, *in Geology*

Wang, Qinyu, *in Computer Science*

Master of Engineering

Southon, Michael, *D*

Tan, Yee Young Angus, *M*

Master of Engineering Practice

Patel, Jay, *M*

Master of Renewable Energy

Dynan, Andy, *D*

Satvir Singh, *M*

Master of Software Development

Whint, Eugine, *M*

Bachelor of Engineering with Honours

Beck, Jasmine, 2/1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Bennett, Kai, 2/1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Bennett, Nathan, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Burkitt, Kahurangi, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Burt, Nate, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Chamberlain, Nathan, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Competente, Ecco, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Del Puerto, Bernard, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Dogra, Arnav, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Edwards, Simon, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Fausett, Alex, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Foote, Annie, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Ford, Emily, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Galloway, Zander, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Gautam, Chaitanya, 2/1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Grahame, Lauchie, 2/2, *in Software Engineering*

Green, Tom, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Hayward, Anfri, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Hindry, Adam, 2/1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Holmes, Leonard, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Jessil, Tomin, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

John, Abia, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Jones, Christopher, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Kaffes, Nathan, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Kendrew, Anthony, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Khokgawe, Sophia, 2/1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

King, Amy, 1, *in Software Engineering*

MacKenzie, Charlotte, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Mamo, Onil, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Manning, Alex, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Martin, Paige, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Morley, Joseph, 1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Ngata, Luka, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Palukuri, Sanjeet, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Pankusz, Mario, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Perera, Migada, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Pike, Thomas, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Saily, Michael, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Sawyers, Patrick Colin, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Sidorov, Yuri, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Sparrow, Phillip, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Verma, Dinky, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Wells, Alexander, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Werellagama, Oshi, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Weyers, Suné, 2/1, *in Software Engineering*

Whitmarsh, Richard, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Wilson, Isaac, 2/1, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Wilson, Reuben, 1, *in Electrical and Electronic Engineering*

Windle, Ethan, 2/2, *in Cybersecurity Engineering*

Zhen, Addison, 2/2, *in Software Engineering*

Zhou, Jiale, 1, *in Software Engineering*

Master of Artificial Intelligence

Cardenas Martinez, Alfonso, *M*

Curtis, Hayden, *M*

DaRocha, Maria, *D*

Huang, William, *M*

Shaikh, Anoof, *M*

Slevin, Serafina, *D*

Walker, Rowan, *M*

Master of Biomedical Science

Sweet, Lucy, 1

Master of Climate Change Science and Policy

Balzer, Laila, *D*

Clarke, Jemma

Dawes, Dante, *D*

Fenwick, Ciara, *D*

Gunasekaran, Rohit, *M*

Permatasari, Miranda Putri, *D*

Pugh, Corey, *M*

Sheth, Jeet, *D*

van den Blink, Monique, *M*

Master of Clinical Immunology

Shaifulizam, Muhammad Elias, *M*

Master of Computer Science

Arora, Jatin, *M*

Aung, Nanda

Guan, Tianyu, *D*

Mishra, Shikhar, *M*

Saputhanthrige Don, Nipuna Lakshitha, *M*

Master of Conservation Biology

Amos, Paige, *D*

Busby-Harrington, Amber

Wilson, Ella, *D*

Master of Data Science

Hewa Marambage, Senuri, *D*

Master of Development Studies

Peake, Lucy, *D*

Tully, Scarlett, *D*

Master of Drug Discovery and Development

Allan, Sean, *in Chemical Biology, M*

Burdett, Ella, *in Drug Development, D*

Trivedi, Mihir, *M*

Master of Environmental Science

Burns, Maria, *D*

D'Cruz, Anlin, *M*

Kull, Jacinta, *M*

McDonald, Stacy, *D*

Rowe, Cameron, *D*

Master of Marine Conservation

Castro, Sofia, *M*

Isakson, Elizabeth, *M*

Meikle, Ollie, *D*

Roddick, Will, *D*

Spedding, David, *M* (also receiving a Bachelor of Science)

Turner, Arden, *D*

Master of Science

Crighton, Charlie, *in Computer Science*

Hart, Oxana, *in Statistics, D*

Pawson, Briar, 1, *in Physical Geography*

Ruston, Pearl, 1, *in Ecological Restoration*

Wagner, Jess, 2/1, *in Ecology and Biodiversity*

Wyatt Watson, Lewis, 1, *in Chemistry*

Master of Science in Society

Cushen, Kate, *M*

Layburn, Catherine, *M*

Quarles, Odysseus, *D*

Smith, Luke, *M*

Taillon, Cealagh, *D*

Bachelor of Biomedical Science with Honours

Ashby, Ben, 2/1

Ramachandran, Saran, 1

Bachelor of Science with Honours

Booth, Andrew, 1, *in Mathematics*

Castle-McLean, Iris, 1, *in Geography* (also receiving a Bachelor of Science)

Chen, Kenneth, 2/1, *in Physics*

Chu-Fong, Katie, 1, *in Biotechnology*

Hadlow, Izzy, 1, *in Molecular Microbiology*

Salvador, Alvien, 1, *in Computer Science*

Smith, Benjamin, 1, *in Physics* (also receiving a Bachelor of Science)

van Campfort, Zane, 1, *in Physics*

Bachelor of Biomedical Science

Allan, Bridget
Borman, Dani
Brick, Luke
Cairns, Keeley
Cameron, Toni
Carroll, Kiera
Chamberlain, Sophie
Fordham Duncan, Beatrice
Gallagher, Vanessa
Homewood, Cara
Hudson, George
Huston, Jaz
Ismael, Yasmin
Kilmister, Hayley
Kohrt, Jaycee (also receiving a Bachelor of Commerce)
Love, Guthrun
McCallum, Louise
Meehan, Grace
Mitipelo-Narsi, Lola
Morgan, Macy
Nepomuceno, Jeshel
Nicholson, Emma
O'Brien, Drew
Papistock, Jordyn
Phangphilavong, Minaphone
Putthapipat, Pakorn
Richardson, Elaina
Robin, Caitlin
Rose, Kathleen
Savill, Xanthe
Singh, Ayush
Spurgeon, Jonathan
Stiggers, Benjamin
Warnock, Connor
Watkins, Jasmine
Yock, Issy

Bachelor of Science

Adams, Lucia
Adeshara, Priyanshi
Adwani, Sahil
Afendoulis, Farah
Alexander, Cody
Allen, Laura
Amarnath Patel, Rochan
Anderson, Eve
Anderson, George
Ashby, Jennifer
Baker, Gabrielle
Banks, Brianna
Barbier, Liam
Barnard, Lachlan
Barpande, Atharva
Bartram, Rachel
Beetsma, Joe
Beuvink, Petra (also receiving a Bachelor of Design Innovation)
Bissett, Ashlie
Blackley, Anna
Blum, Jordan
Bo, Justin
Bonkowski Bonkowska, Jorika
Bown, Scarlett
Boyd, Ayden
Braithwaite, Emily
Brider, Candace
Brown, Caitlin
Brown, Matt
Buckwell, Sam
Butler-Baird, Alex
Cabauatan, Gerard
Castaing, Anushka
Cerda-Jimenez, Mathias
Chang, Philip
Chapman, Henry
Charlett, Isabelle
Chong, Wen Ya
Chung, Daniel
Clayton, Lucy
Cocker, Esther

Collis, Luke

Concessio, Savio

Conger, Ethan

Cook, Eloise

Cook, Jessica

Cooper, Millie

Crowe, Lennox

Cui, Leon

D'Souza-Monie, Adele

Dansted, Hanne

Davis, Aspen

Daysh, Paige

Delaney, Brooke

Derr, Kalen

Dhanji, Radhika

Dixon, Marshall

Dong, Cynthia (also receiving a Certificate of Proficiency in English)

Donovan, Sian

Drayton, Nick

Dumble, Jaime

Duncan, Alice

Dunn, Samantha

Edwards, Joseph

Egley, Emma

Elvy, Callum

Erol-Watt, Kayi

Esposito, Alex

Evans, Cam

Faafia, Victoria

Fatima Fizzah Abbas

Faulkner, Isabelle

Fitzgerald, Joshua

Forsyth, Kade

Frost, Xavier

Geor, Ari

George, Zach

Gong, Charlie

Goodfellow, Stazsia

Goss, Ella

Gradwell, Oliver

Grainger, Emma (also receiving a Bachelor of Arts)

Green, Carly

Green, Marie

Green, Nathan

Groves, Izzy

Hamilton, Holly

Hargreaves, Noah

Harrison, Luca (also receiving a Bachelor of Communication)

Harsh, Shubham

Hart, Stirling

Hartley, Thomas

Hazeldine, Christina

Hazelwood-Search, Drea

Henley, Zara

Heynekamp, Moab

Hill, Jessica

Hirczy, Markus

Holder-Lunn, Bramble

Howarth, Jacob

Hughes, Andrew

Hussein, Rayhaan

Hyde, Isabelle

Ibrahim, Nadia

Ishver, Maya

Jackson, Liberty

James, Sam

JasonSmith, Phylli

Jeram, Dhilan

Jia, Steven

Joass, Tommy

John, Amaris

Jones, Declan

Joseph, Merisa

Kan, Patrick

Kane, Mikey

Kannan, Aarthi

Kedzlie, Caleb

Kemp, Tyler

Kennedy, Caitlyn

Kennedy, Sarah

Khan, Tashfiq

Kingston, Liam

Kirby, Sophie

Lal, Nikansha

Lankow, Jason

Lazic, Owan

Lee, Alexa

Leftly, Kayden
Lenoir, Marijn
Lester, Tom
Li, Victoria
Liang, Angela
Lindsey, Isabelle
Livingston, Amelia
Mace, Athena
Makinson, Lucy
Marsden, Jayden
Marshall, Luke
Martin, Eli
Martin, Sophie
Masunga, Patience
Mataora, Malaetele
Matheson, Kayley
Mathiasen, Nina
Maurice, Lucy
McFadgen, Acacia
McKinley, Hannah
McLean, Phoebe
Melhuish, Evie
Meynell, Regan
Milne, George
Mohammad, Abdullah
Mohd Faizal, Muhammad Nabil
Mojicevic, Marco
Morgan-Ward, Kalib
Morris-Lee, Joe
Murphy, Rylee
Mutch, Stephanie
Muthui, Roy
Nash, Jameson
Neave, Rowan
Negishi, Nagare
Newell, Jack
Newman, Sofia
Nguyen, Phong
Niebla, Ranz
Nightingale, Bailey
Non, Samuel
Nugent, Eleanor
O'Keeffe, James
Packman, Tabby
Parinas, Maria
Patel, Hinal
Patel, Krisha
Patrick, Harry
Payne, Tierlina
Payne, Z'Arn
Pedraza Jr, Orlando
Perfect, Kate (also receiving a Bachelor of Arts)
Petre, Calum
Pettersson, Amber
Pettit, Will
Pickering, Kezia
Pledger, Naomi
Polz, Emily
Potbury, James
Powell, Gabriel
Powell, Rebecca
Puhara, Dany
Quinn, Fiona
Quintero, Levi
Ralph, Keiva
Rana, Aryan
Reffin, Camille
Richards, Jack
Richards, Tamzin (also receiving a Bachelor of Commerce)
Ringwood, Emma
Robertson, Jack Winiata
Robinson, Jade
Robson, Katherine
Robson, Ollie
Rothwell, Tim
Rutter, Seb
Scott, Alex
Scott, Alicia
Scott, Ben
Scott, Lily
Sethi, Sunny
Sharples, Jodie
Shaw, Fergus
Sherpa, Bruce
Shi, Wangqing
Simpson, Myles
Skipage, Brea

Slovak, Paul
Snowsill, Aria
Solly, Amelia
Stitt, William
Straight, Alexander
Stratford, Rosa
Sun, Joe
Sutherland, Chloe
Sutton, Caitlin
Swift, Jesse
Symons, Lorin
Szecket, Jonah
Tatafu, Malia
Tawharu, Ben
Taylor, Georgia
Teesdale, Alan
Thom, Archie
Thompson, Grace
Tiedemann, Cameron
Timeon, Nunu
Tither, Adam
Toon, Mia
Treadwell, Izzy
Trott, Will (also receiving a Bachelor of Commerce)
Uhr, Riley
Vaughan, Naruebet
Vickers, Ben
Viernes, Terennz
Wall, Róisín
Ward, Sahya
Watson, Amelia
Watson, Christie
Wattrus, Keegan
Way, Ethan
Webb, Erica
Webb, Jake
Weeds, Vicky
Weir, Zachary
Welsby, Alex
Wen, Anthony
Whiteman, Matt
Wildash, Tim
Wilkes, Luna
Wills, Harry
Wong, Adam
Wong, Jayden
Xalxo, Nikita
Yi, Joseph
Young, Caitlyn
Zawada, Jet
Zhang, Nan

Postgraduate Diploma in Environmental Studies

Foye, Keiran

Postgraduate Certificate in Science

Rajavel, Dayana, *in Computer Science*