

# 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, and I hosted a series of hui for staff with Keith Longden the Executive Director Planning, Finance and Digital Services. We gave staff the opportunity to find out more about the financial position of UC.

Highlights of the report include that UC returned a \$5.7 million surplus on core activities thanks to improved domestic student numbers, increased research revenue and vigilant cost management.

Along with enrolment growth and securing \$100 million in research funding, highlights of the past  $\{gct" kpenwfgf" vjg" ncwpej" qh" c" pgy" M " Yckocgtq" ~" Qhhkeg" qh" Vtgcv{" Rctvpgtujkr" vq" fgxgnqr" vjg" partnership ykvj"Pi k"V jwtktk"cpf"Pi k"Vcjw="vjg"Vcmgtg"nkxg-in academic and cultural programme hqt"O qtk"cpf"Rcekhke"hktuv-ygct"uvwfgpvu="cpf"jcxkpi" oqtg"vjcp"72.222"uvwfgpvu"htqo"ctqwpf"vjg"yqtnf" gptqnngf"kp"WEz"Ocuukxg"Qrgp"Qpnkpg"Eqwtugu"*OQQEu+0$ 

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## Engagement

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

beyond Qur Planet" – and introducing the evening's speakers. Dr Natalia Kabaliuk discussed the upcoming Aerospace minor in Mechanical Engineering, which was well received, and Dr Michele Dcppkuvgt. "planetary scientist at UC, gave a presentation about the large number of satellites currently

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KiwiNet's Emerging Innovator Programme provides targeted support and funding to early-stage ectggt"uekgpvkuvu"vq"uvtgpivjgp"vjgkt"eqoogtekcn"ecrcdknkv{0"Vq"fcvg."WE"jcu"uwrrqtvgf"38"uvchh"cpf" postgraduate students through this programme.

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