



Pacific Media Centre Fiji Reporting Assignment – climate change ‘Bearing Witness’ 2018 project



‘BEARING WITNESS’ PROJECT (Portfolio): Climate Change ‘Warriors’. Image: BBC

JOUR810 International Journalism Project - Mid-semester break 2018
Associated with JOUR801 Asia-Pacific Journalism Studies Semester 2, 2018

The opportunity of the year! On offer, two chances for Postgraduate Journalism Students enrolled on the Asia-Pacific Journalism Studies paper this year.

A tremendous opportunity is available for two Postgraduate Diploma in Communication Studies (Journalism), recent Graduates and International Journalism students to travel to Fiji and report on the country in the context of our “Bearing Witness” climate change project reporting for *Asia Pacific Report*. The PMC is offering airfares and accommodation based at the University of the South Pacific Journalism programme staying on one of the world’s most beautiful campuses in Suva, Fiji, and working for an award-winning publication and with one of the most high profile environmental university programmes at the Pacific environmental centre PaCE-SD.



Assignment: Travelling to Fiji, staying on the USP campus and reporting for two-weeks with one of the best student publications in the region - USP's award-winning [Wansolwara](#) ("One Ocean, One People"); the "Bearing Witness" project and a USP media environmental research programme. Stories will also be published on the Pacific Media Centre's course website *Asia Pacific Report* in partnership with Multimedia Investments' *Evening Report*.

When: During the two-week mid-semester break between April 14 and 28, 2018

Cost: Two students will have **full return airfares and accommodation** funded at the self-catering USP Lodge on campus paid by AUT University. Students will have to also fund some meals and incidentals themselves, but food (especially from the Suva markets) and transport is relatively cheap. The PMC will provide a koha of \$200 each to contribute towards incidentals and food.

Eligibility: Preference will be given to students with experience in the Pacific and/or who are enrolled on the **JOUR801 Asia-Pacific Journalism Studies paper**, who have a current passport and do not need a visa for Fiji (New Zealand citizens get a one-month visitor visa at the airport).

Insurance: Covered as current AUT students.

Assessment: This a professional internship for experience and there will be a formative assessment based on your teamwork. It will look great on your CV.

Call for Expressions of Interest: Apply to PMC director Professor David Robie david.robie@aut.ac.nz with your CV and covering letter explaining why you would be ideal to be sent on this mission. Candidates may be interviewed. Send your Expression of Interest via the Postgraduate Administrator: jessie.hsu@aut.ac.nz

Application deadline: 4pm, Friday, March 2

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Asia Pacific Report website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the date "Wednesday, February 17, 2016", the name "David Robie", and links for "Logout", "About", "Contact", "EveningReport.nz", "MILNZ.co.nz", and "Pacific Media Centre". Below the navigation bar is a header section with the "Asia Pacific Report" logo and the tagline "Edited by AUT's Pacific Media Centre". To the right of the logo is a "Discover, Map & Monitor Your Network" section with a "solarwinds" logo and a "LEARN MORE" button. Below the header is a main navigation menu with categories: "NEWS", "ANALYSIS", "REPORTAGE", "COUNTRY", "EDITOR'S PICKS", "MULTIMEDIA", and "PMC ON DEMAND". The main content area features a "BREAKING NEWS" section with a "Ruia indigenous rights lawyer tells of 'early zero-emissions' lifestyle" article. Below this are three featured articles: "Climate Warrior: 'It's scary ... you've seen what they do to activists'" (with a photo of a person holding a "PACIFIC CLIMATE WARRIORS" sign), "Tess Newton Cain: How to turn democracy into autocracy" (with a photo of Tess Newton Cain), and "Russians hand over equipment to Fiji military" (with a photo of military personnel). A fourth article, "Indigenous rights lawyer tells of 'early zero-emissions' lifestyle", is partially visible on the right.