

Victoria Public Lecture Series



Climate change: beliefs, biases and measures

When: 5.30–8pm, Wednesday 22 July

Where: Manukau Institute of Technology Theatre, Newbury St,
Otara, Auckland

Victoria University of Wellington invites you to a free public lecture to be presented by Dr Marc Wilson from the School of Psychology and Professor Lionel Carter from the Antarctic Research Centre.

If it's so obvious, why doesn't everyone believe in climate change?

Who believes in climate change? What is the psychology behind believing (or not believing) in climate change? Using data from two large New Zealand surveys, Dr Wilson will talk about some of the factors associated with climate change belief. He will also talk about some of the biases in decision-making that make it very difficult to change strongly-held opinions either way.

Global warming is ocean warming

Oceans, which make up 71 percent of the earth's surface, have played a major role in sparing our planet from the full force of climate change, taking up about 30 percent of the carbon dioxide and 90 percent of the extra heat produced by human activities. However, despite their vastness, the oceans are changing in response to climate change. Professor Carter will discuss those changes and the measures underway to adapt to them.

If you would like to attend, rsvp by Monday 20 July to rsvp@vuw.ac.nz with 'Manukau lecture' in the subject line or phone 04-463 5791.