

## Professor Louise Nicholson (Green)



1966-1970

Louise Nicholson found her love for science, especially biology during her time at Epsom Girls Grammar School. Her science teachers influenced her to take both Biology and Zoology as majors at the University of Auckland, where she progressed through the undergraduate programme to research teaching.

Nicholson's proudest achievement was winning a Rhodes Fellowship to Oxford University, however publishing her student's research work is very rewarding. To achieve her goals, she takes the hard work approach. Being committed is part of her strong work ethic, she always tries her best and is prepared to put the hours in to achieve the desired outcome. Nicholson taught secondary school for 10 years, which she found very hard but a rewarding experience. She is now a professor at the faculty of medical and health sciences.

Louise says "Seize every opportunity you have no matter how impossible it looks at the time. The higher you have to reach, the better you will perform."

"Value your education at all levels. It is your passport to the future. Education will allow you to choose what you do in life."