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NEW ZEALAND (NZ)



Similar in size to the UK



Diverse population of approx. 5 million



English-speaking democracy



Frequently highly ranked in international comparisons of national performance (ie. quality of life, education, protection of civil liberties, government transparency, economic freedom, etc.)



Flight times (approx.)

- Singapore to New Zealand = 10 hours
- USA (Los Angeles) to New Zealand = 12 hours
- Australia (Sydney) to New Zealand = 3 hours
- Auckland-Wellington = 45 min.
- Christchurch-Wellington = 45 min



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WELLINGTON



Capital city of NZ



Approx. 500,000 people live in the Wellington region



Approx. 30% of Wellington's population was born overseas



Compact city – easy to get around



Reliable public transport system



Southernmost capital in the world

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON



Established 1897



Public university



3 campuses across Wellington



22,000 students



3,200 international students from 100+ countries



8 teaching faculties and 27 schools



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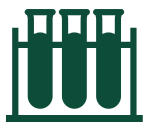
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30 undergraduate/graduate and 140 postgraduate programmes



#1 in NZ for research intensity
(2018 Performance-Based Research Fund)



40+ research institutes



Strong connections to government, industry, and leading national organisations



100+ international partnerships



Commitment to sustainability, diversity and inclusion





Pipitea Campus

- Commerce and Government
- Law

Kelburn Campus

- Education
- Engineering
- Health
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Science

Te Aro Campus

- Architecture
- Design

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RANKINGS

- Top 2% of the world's 18,000 universities overall (2024 QS Ranking #241)
- Top 100 subjects (2022 QS World University Rankings by Subject):
 - Development Studies (50)
 - English Language and Literature (82)
 - Geography (51-100)
 - Hospitality and Leisure Management (51-100)
 - Law (73=)
 - Library and Information Management (34)
 - Linguistics (62)
 - Performing Arts (51-100)
 - Politics and International Studies (51-100)
 - Psychology (86=)
- Education is ranked 79 in the world in the 2021 Times Higher Education Rankings by Subject.
- One of only 14 universities in the world to hold the maximum 'five stars plus' overall in the three-yearly QS Stars rating of excellence and five stars in each of the eight indicators.
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ACCREDITATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

Business School – Triple Crown

- EQUIS
- AACSB (Business)
- AMBA

Accounting

- Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ)
- CPA Australia
- Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)
- Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)

Tourism Management

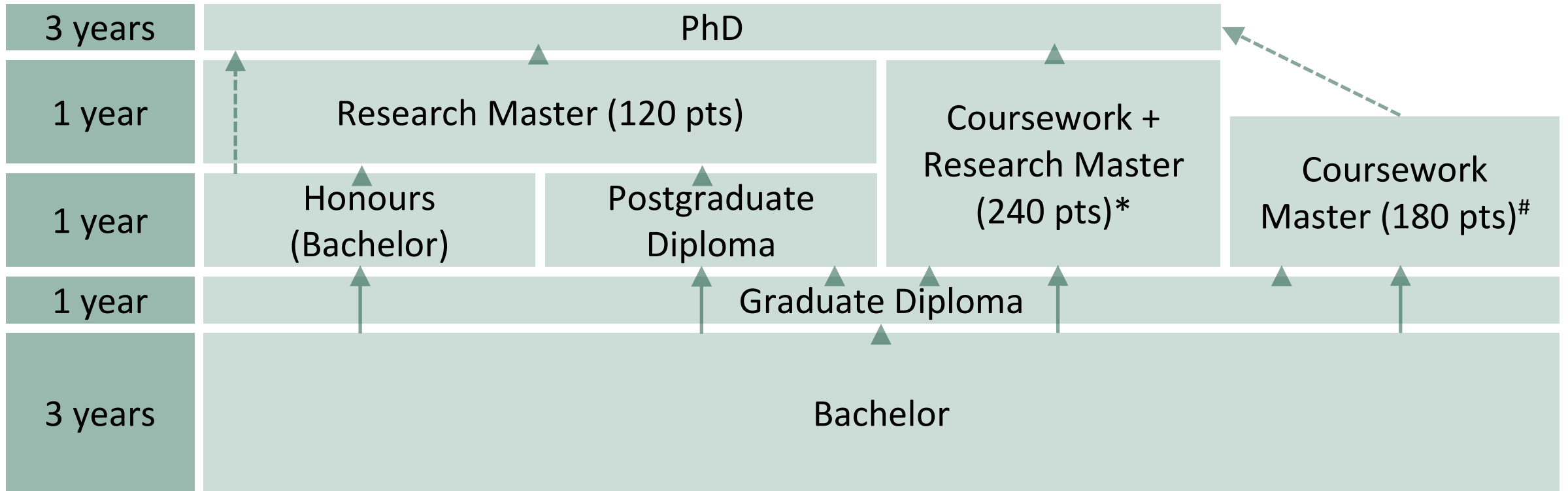
Tourism Education Quality (TedQual) Certification by the United Nations World Tourism Organisation

Engineering

- Engineering New Zealand
- Washington Accord
- Seoul Accord



DEGREE STRUCTURE IN NZ



*2-year programme

#1-1.5-year programme

Years show minimum duration of studies

Honours graduates may be invited to go straight to PhD

Coursework masters may lead to PhD studies

TRIMESTERS

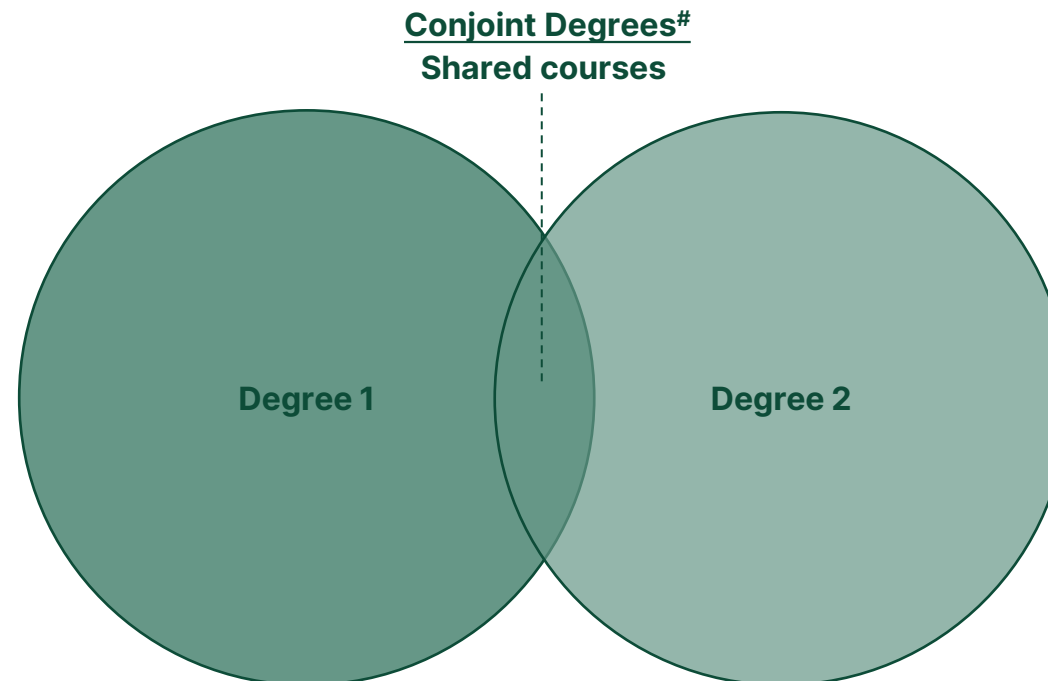
Month	Trimester	Season in NZ
February	Trimester 1*	Autumn
March		
April		
May		
June		
July	Trimester 2	Winter
August		
September		
October		
November	Trimester 3 (Summer School)	Spring
December		
January		

*Trimester 1 starts late February / early March

MAJORS, DOUBLE MAJORS & CONJOINT DEGREES

Degree	Single Major	Double Major*
3-year degree 360 points	Major	1 st Major
	Minor and/or Electives	2 nd Major

*Some degrees allow the second major to be from another degree. Some combinations of double majors may be discouraged/declined due to high workload.



*Some combinations of conjoint degrees may be discouraged/declined due to high workload.

QUALIFICATION EQUIVALENCY TO NZQA LEVELS

Level	Certificate	Diploma	Degree
10			PhD
9			Master
8	Postgraduate Certificate	Postgraduate Diploma	Bachelor with Honours
7	Graduate Certificate	Dipl. + Graduate Diploma	Bachelor
6	Certificate	Diploma	
5	Certificate	Diploma	
4	Certificate		
3	Certificate		
2	Certificate		
1	Certificate		

UNDERGRADUATE STUDY



Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Bachelor of Arts (41 majors) / 3 years
- Bachelor of Global Studies / 3 years
- Bachelor of Communication / 3 years
- Bachelor of Music / 3 years



Faculty of Science

- Bachelor of Science (27 majors) / 3 years
- Bachelor of Biomedical Science (3 majors) / 3 years
- Bachelor of Psychology (9 majors)
 - Psychological Science | Brain Sciences and Mental Health | Criminal Justice and Psychology | Educational Psychology



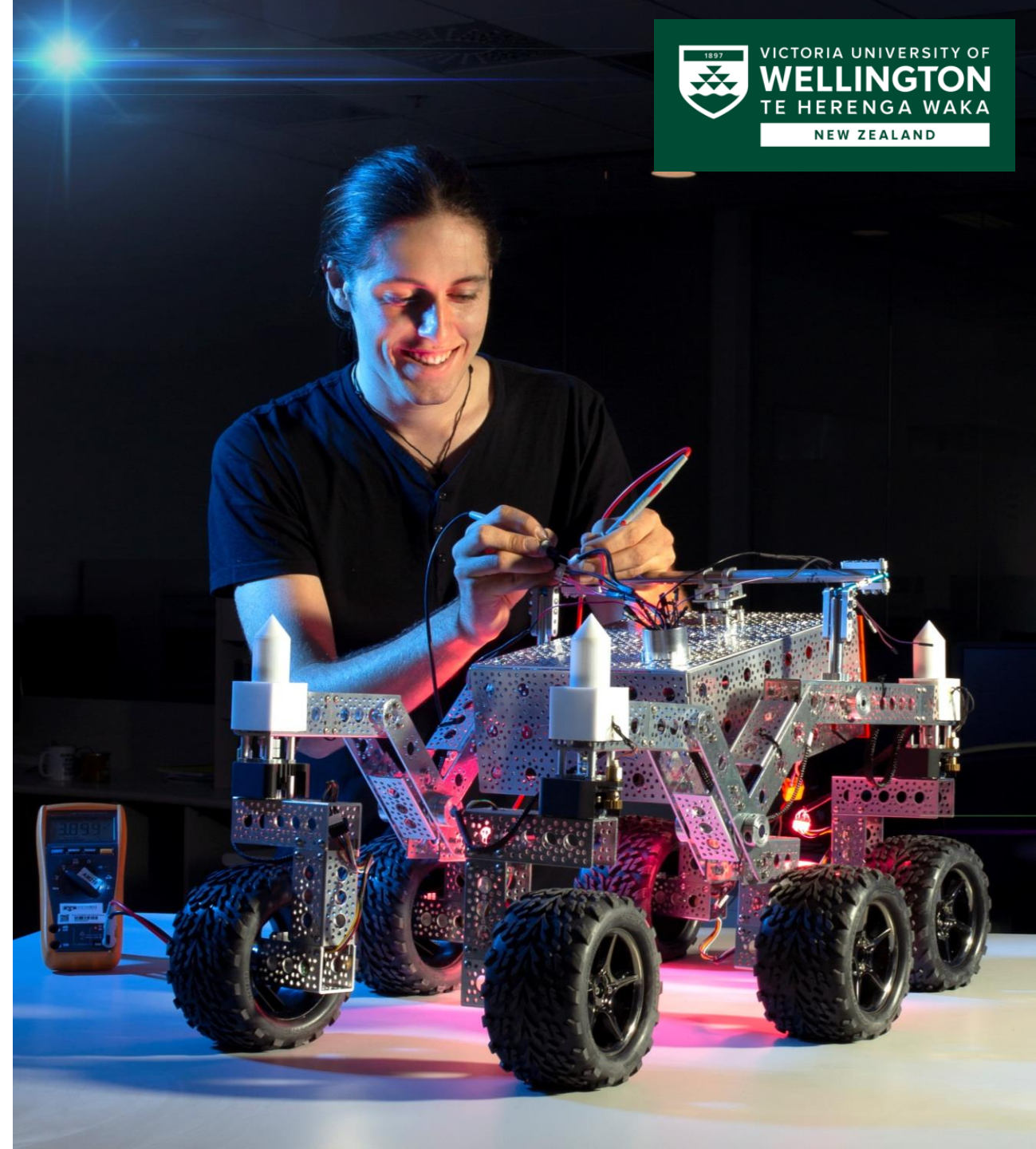
Faculty of Engineering

- Bachelor of Engineering (Hon) / 4 years
Cybersecurity, Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Software Engineering



Faculty of Health

- Bachelor of Health / 3 years
- Bachelor of Midwifery / 4 years



UNDERGRADUATE STUDY



Faculty of Commerce and Government

- Bachelor of Commerce (14 majors) / 3 years



Faculty of Architecture and Design

- Bachelor of Architectural Studies / 3 years
- Bachelor of Building Science / 3 years
 - Project Management
 - Sustainable Engineering Systems
 - Project Management and Sustainable Engineering Systems
- Bachelor of Design Innovation (8 majors) / 3 years
 - Animation and Visual Effects | Fashion Design Technology | Game Design | Industrial Design | Interaction Design | Media Design



Faculty of Education

- Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Early Childhood / 3 years



Faculty of Law

- Bachelor of Laws / 4 years



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GRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE STUDY (a selection)



Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Master of Arts
- Master of Linguistics
- Master of International Trade
- Master of International Relations
- Master of Political Science



Faculty of Science

- Master of Science
- Master of Climate Change Science and Policy
- Master of Marine Conservation
- Master of Environmental Science/Studies
- Master of Data Science
- Master of Drug Discovery and Development



Faculty of Engineering

- Master of Artificial Intelligence
- Master of Computer Science
- Master of Engineering Practice
- Master of Renewable Energy
- Master of Software Development



Faculty of Health

- Master of Health
- Master of Health Research
- Master of Nursing Practice



GRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE STUDY (a selection)



Faculty of Commerce and Government

- Master of Global Business
- Master of Professional Accounting
- Master of Professional Business Analysis
- Master of Public Management
- Master of Actuarial Science



Faculty of Architecture and Design

- Master of Architecture (Professional)
- Master of Interior Architecture
- Master of Design Innovation/Technology
- Master of User Experience Design



Faculty of Education

- Graduate Diploma of Teaching (Primary/Secondary)
- Master of Education
- Master of Educational Psychology



Faculty of Law

- Master of Laws
- Master of International Trade





PATHWAYS

English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

- Three intakes per year – March, July, November
- 12-week programme
- Leads to most undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD programmes

Foundation Studies

- Taught exclusively at UP Education in Wellington
- 6-18-month programmes
- IELTS 4.5 to 6.0
- Guaranteed pathway to undergraduate degree
- Scholarship opportunity for high achievers

Graduate/Postgraduate Diplomas

Graduate and postgraduate diplomas can be a pathway into Master degrees (ie. students want to continue in a field different from their undergraduate major).

Credit Transfer and Exemptions

- If students already have a tertiary-level qualification, or part of one, they can apply for academic credit transfer or exemptions from required courses at the University.
- This might provide students with advanced standing or reduced workload for their study at the University



STUDY ABROAD / FIRST YEAR ABROAD

Study Abroad

- Available at undergraduate and postgraduate level
- Students can select courses from any subject area, some courses may have restrictions
- Students usually nominate 6-8 subjects and they eventually study 3-4
- Study time is usually 6 months or 1 year (1 to 2 trimesters)
- Undergraduate student must have completed at least one year at their home university

First Year Abroad

- Same as Study Abroad, but for students who aren't currently enrolled in a university (students can only choose first year courses)

Points vs. Credits

The value of most courses is usually 15 points (3.75 US credits/7.5 ECTS) or 20 points (5 US credits/10 ECTS) – based on recommendations from Victoria University of Wellington.

One point typically requires about 10 hours of student work, including both, scheduled contact time (lectures, tutorials, laboratories, workshops, etc.) and individual (or group) study.



PHD STUDIES

PhD / Doctoral Programmes

- Usually completed within 3-4 years
- PhDs in NZ are research only
- Three application rounds per year at Victoria University of Wellington
(students must apply before 1 March, 1 July or 1 November)

Why PhD in NZ?

- International PhD students only pay domestic fees
- PhD students usually get full-time work rights, partner gets open work visa and children get enrolled as domestic students in NZ state schools

Why PhD at Victoria University of Wellington?

- Easy online application system
- No need to identify supervisor (supervisor will be matched with applicant) – however, outreach to academic highly recommended to check possible supervision
- Expression of Research Interest for initial application (full research proposal is written with supervisor in first year)
- Generous scholarship opportunity

STUDENT SERVICES AND SUPPORT (a selection)

Health / Wellbeing / Counselling

- Medical centre, pharmacy, counselling, wellbeing awareness team

Visa / Insurance

- Visa support and insurance claim service

Course Advice

- Advice on course selection, degrees, academic structures, etc.

Career Development

Guidance for job applications, CV writing, interview techniques, career expos

Academic Support + Academic Monitoring

- Workshops and one-to-one appointments
- Enhancing writing, reading, research, maths, and general study skills
- Monitoring of students' academic progression

Interest, Conflict and Dispute Resolution

- Advice and assistance around students' safety, studies and interests

Disability Services

- Tailored assistance (disability or impairment, mental illness, injury, medical condition or specific learning disability that affects learning, participation or enjoyment at university)

Student Finance

- Assistance with paying fees, budgeting and scholarship applications



STUDENT EXPERIENCE & DEGREE ENHANCEMENTS

130+ Student Clubs & Societies

Sports, cultures, nationalities, languages and abilities (music, arts, etc.)...

Student Exchange

Exchange available with 100+ university partners worldwide (NZD1,000 exchange scholarship + NZD1,000 upgrade through Wellington International Leadership Programme possible)

Internship

Internship Course available at undergraduate level that can be taken as an elective, which provides 20 points towards degree

Wellington International Leadership Programme

- Global competency, advances critical thinking and leadership challenges in world affairs
- Tailored version for short-term students available

Wellington Plus Programme

- Leadership skills and social responsibility through community-based volunteering programme
- Tailored version for short-term students available

Inclusion, Diversity and Sustainability

- Commitment to diversity and inclusion
- Support and services for students from various backgrounds, minorities and religions
- Plan to become carbon neutral and to put services and resources on a sustainable foundation





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SCHOLARSHIPS

Tongarewa Scholarship

NZ\$5,000 or 10,000 for successful applicants
(holistic consideration with focus on merit)

Vice Chancellor's International Excellence Scholarship NZ\$10,000

Featured master's programmes

Automatic fees waiver (specific amount) for selected master's programmes
when students meet course entry requirements

A full list of scholarships and their conditions is available on the website.



ACCOMMODATION & LIVING EXPENSES

Accommodation

Halls of Residence

- 12 halls (catered + self-catered halls)
- Almost all dietary requirements can be catered for
- Alcohol free floors and female only floors (selected halls only)

Homestay

Living in a family environment

Private Accommodation

Can be tricky to organise from overseas and to find during peak seasons

Age groups

- 17↓: homestay family + catered hall
- 18+19: catered hall + homestay + private accommodation
- 20↑: self-catered hall + catered hall (if space available) + homestay + private accommodation

Living Expenses (estimated expenses for one academic year)

- For visa purposes, Immigration New Zealand requires NZ\$20,000
- Realistic for a university student is NZ\$20,000-22,000 (depending on lifestyle) per year



All Halls of Residence are within the city centre, except Helen Lowry Hall (which provides a free daily shuttle – up to 10 min. drive to city).

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WORK RIGHTS

Working in NZ

The authorising agency for student work rights and post study work visa is Immigration New Zealand.

Student Work Rights (full degree students)

Usually 20 hours per week and full-time during scheduled holidays.

Post Study Work Visa

Qualification	Weeks of study in NZ	Duration of PSWV
L7 or below non-degree qual.*	30 weeks	1 year
Bachelor L7	30 weeks	1 year
Bachelor L7	60 weeks	2 years
Bachelor L7	90 weeks	3 years
PG Diploma L8	30 weeks	1 year
Master L9	30 weeks	3 years
PhD L10	30 weeks	3 years

*Intended occupation must be on INZ's Green List

WHY VICTORIA UNIVERSITY WELLINGTON?

High quality education in Wellington (NZ) – a wide range of academic opportunities combined with a safe environment, beautiful nature, a quirky city!

Quality Education

Victoria University of Wellington is ranked among the best in the world and the many accreditations of its programmes is testimony to the quality of its education.

Academic Variety

The University's large suite of programmes allows students to focus on their passion while flexibility in many degrees enables them to explore.

Safety

New Zealand features regularly among the safest countries and Wellington is one of the safest capital cities in the world.

Nature

New Zealand's diverse landscape (from beaches to snow-capped mountains, and everything in between) is breath-taking and Wellington's large harbour in combination with its hills, parks, forests and coastline frames city life in a beautiful scenery.

The City

Wellington is known for its tucked-away bars, quirky cafes, award-winning restaurants, great coffee, cultural offerings, and street art. A great diversity in its population ensure influences from all over the world – often with a unique Kiwi twist.



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Helpful Websites

Immigration New Zealand – www.immigration.govt.nz

Information related to visa and work rights in NZ

Study in New Zealand – www.studyinnewzealand.govt.nz

Information related to studying in NZ

NauMai NZ – www.naumainz.studyinnewzealand.govt.nz

Information related to living in NZ as an international student