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Combining the benefits of a developed country with the charm of a quiet and peaceful countryside, New Zealand offers some distinct advantages over other countries as a destination for education. An important one of which is the affordability – getting a degree in NZ actually works out to be cheaper than many courses in India.

Another significant advantage is the welcoming nature of the New Zealanders and the relative ease in getting there: NZ has recently opened its doors to students from South East Asia. Getting yourself an education in New Zealand can change your life forever – this site tells you how you can do it.

EDUCATION IN NEW ZEALAND:

Education in New Zealand follows the three-tier model which includes primary schools, followed by secondary schools (high schools) and tertiary education at universities and/or polytechnics. The Programme for International Student Assessment ranks New Zealand's education as the 7th best in the world.

Education is free and compulsory between the ages of 6 and 16; though typically, children start school on their 5th birthday, or the first School Day after it. Post-compulsory education is regulated within the New Zealand National Qualifications Framework, a unified system of national qualifications in schools, vocational education and training.

QUALITY ASSURANCE:

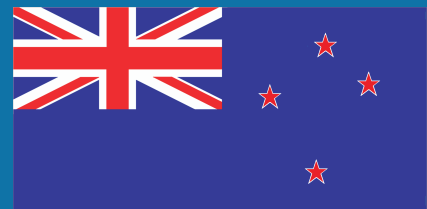
To ensure that both the Government and individuals are investing in quality education, training and assessment, the Government has set up nationally recognised processes of quality assurance. There are a number of government appointed bodies responsible for approving qualifications in New Zealand and for the quality that determines the delivery of qualifications. These bodies are:

New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA)

Responsible for approving and registering all courses and national qualifications offered at polytechnics and private training establishments.

New Zealand Vice-Chancellor's Committee (NZVCC)

Responsible for approving all diplomas, undergraduate and graduate programs offered by New Zealand universities.



Universities in New Zealand:

University education was established in New Zealand in 1870 and has a similar tradition to the British university system. There are eight state-funded universities in New Zealand, all of them internationally respected for their academic and research performance. In addition to a centrally co-ordinate system of quality assurance audits at both institution and programme level, each university undertakes internal quality checks. All New Zealand universities offer a broad range of subjects in Arts, Commerce and Science. Each has developed its own specialist subjects such as Medicine, Engineering and Veterinary Science. Computer Studies, Agriculture and Environmental Studies, Sports-Science, Biotechnology, Architecture etc. Bachelor's, Masters and Doctoral degrees are offered by all New Zealand universities. A range of under graduate and postgraduate diplomas is also available, along with honors programmes (usually requiring an additional year of study).

Private Training Providers (PTEs):

Private training establishments are registered and their courses approved by NZQA. Institutions and schools in this sector provide a range of courses including English language, aviation flight training, air traffic control, English, business computing, dance, design and arts, religious studies, travel and tourism and training for the hospitality industry.

TERTIARY EDUCATION IN NEW ZEALAND:

📌 Vocational Study

- ~ Offered at Polytechnics, Institutes of Technology and private tertiary and training establishments.
- ~ Students can achieve certificates, diplomas and degrees in a diverse range of subjects.

📌 Bachelor's Degree

- ~ During the admissions process students get evaluated on their NCEA results as well as other criteria.
- ~ A Bachelor's degree typically lasts for 3 years at university.
- ~ An Honours degree is awarded after an additional year of research at university.

Academic year in New Zealand varies between institutions, but generally runs from late January until mid-December for primary and secondary schools and polytechnics, and from late February until mid-November for universities.

Application Procedure:

New Zealand generally has 2 intakes, i.e. Feb. & July. It is suggested that you should start making applications in the month of August for the Feb intake. Universities generally take around 6 weeks to process an application and immigration services again take around 6 weeks for the Visas. Documents needed for making an application are resume, statement of purpose, mark sheets & certificates of X, XII, till Graduation or relevant degree transcripts in specific cases, Certificates of extra curricular activities and passport copy, birth certificate & 2 reference letters from colleges & employers.

English Language Requirements:

All students must be fluent in English language if they are to succeed at university in New Zealand. There are many courses available at public and private institutions in New Zealand and elsewhere to assist international students reach the required level of English language competence. We can recommended waiver of IELTS / TOEFL wherever possible. A band of 6.0/6.5 for undergraduate & 6.5 / 7.5 for postgraduate courses is desirable.

Polytechnics in New Zealand:

New Zealand Polytechnics, and Institutes of Technology, are state funded and provide education and training at all levels ranging from introductory studies through to full degree programmes. A few of them offer PG programmes as well. Polytechnics and Institutes of Technology are efficient tertiary providers offering programmes which can be both academically and vocationally focused. Due to their active engagement with industry, employers and government agencies they provide programmes which are of a high academic standard and are relevant to the rapidly changing workforce on a global basis. Polytechnics offer diverse courses like Arts and Design, Travel&Tourism, Hospitality etc.

Private Degree Providers:

In 1989, amendments to the Education Act in New Zealand enabled the private tertiary sector to award degrees through the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA). The key to the legitimacy of the private degree providers is their relationship with the NZQA which has responsibility for course accreditation. The mission of the private degree providers is to provide a quality service to their students and a range of skills of value in the work environment.

GRADUATE STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND:

📌 Master's Degree

- ~ A Masters degree typically last for 2 years at university.
- ~ An Honours degree is awarded after an additional year of research, however it is only awarded to students who do not already have an Honours degree.

📌 Doctoral Degree

- ~ Requires a student to have either a Master's degree or Bachelor's degree with Honours.



Accommodation:

Most educational institutions in New Zealand will assist you in finding accommodation while studying in New Zealand. There are various types of accommodation which are available to international students. These are like Halls of residence / Students Hostel, Home stay, Apartments / Flats. All students on finalising institution, should refer to its website for accommodation arrangements.

Student Visa:

NZIS is the sole agency of the NZ Government responsible for migration & entry to NZ. Student visa is required to enter the country to study a course more than 3 months duration, also the course opted should be offered by education institutions approved & registered with NZQA. Student is issued a visa for One year duration could be & easily extended being in New Zealand as per the further duration of course. Visit our Visa counselor for personal guidance & documentation requirement for student visa. You can only get a student visa to study in a course at an education institution, which is registered and approved by the NZQA. Your student visa will be issued for the length of time your course tuition fees have been paid. You must pay your tuition fees in advance for the University to send you an official receipt and the Offer of Place Certificate, which also guarantees that accommodation will be available, which are required with your visa application. Acceptance by the University does not Guarantee that a student will be issued a student visa by the immigration authorities. Student visa and permit information and application forms can be obtained from any New Zealand Immigration Service branch office within New Zealand or overseas (contact the nearest New Zealand High Commission or Embassy in Delhi). You can also obtain all relevant information and forms from the New Zealand Immigration Service website, www.immigration.govt.nz However visit your Vega Global counselor for personal guidance and the latest checklist.

Tuition Fees:

New Zealand provides high quality courses with high standard of living at lower cost than Australia, UK, and USA. The costs below will give you an idea of how much spending money you will need in New Zealand as it can vary from city to city. Tuition fees vary from programme to programme.

Under Graduate Programmes:

	Tuition fees (per year)
Arts / Humanities / Social Science / Commerce / Administration Management.....	10,000 - 12,500 NZ\$
Computing / Mathematical Science.....	13,000 - 17,500 NZ\$
Engineering & Technology.....	14,000 - 18,000 NZ\$

Post Graduate Programmes:

	Tuition fees (per year)
Arts / Humanities / Social Science.....	14,000 - 16,000 NZ\$
MBA & other Management programs.....	16,000 - 33,000 NZ\$
Engineering.....	18,000 - 24,500 NZ\$

Living Expenses:

Students can choose from Halls of Residence, Students Hostels, Dormitories, Home stay private apartments and flats. NZ\$ 10,000 -12,000 Per annum. This includes food, clothing, transport, entertainment and accommodation.

Employment:

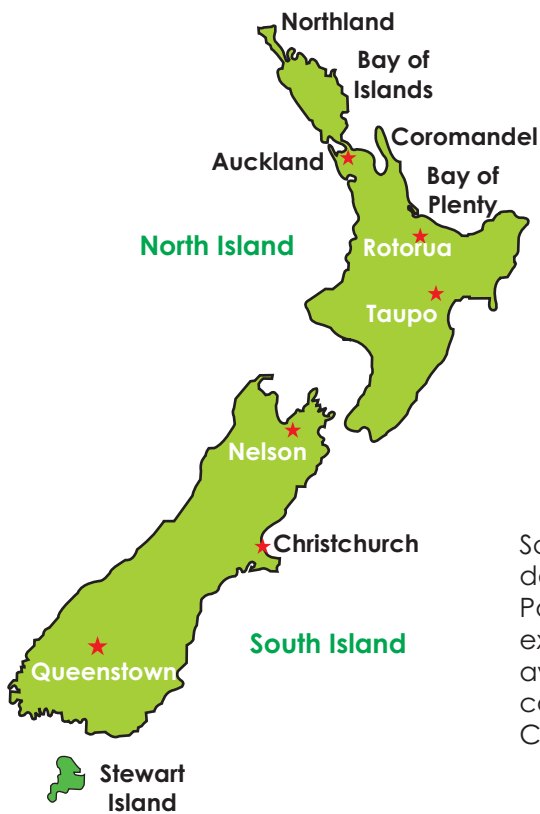
International students enrolled in a tertiary programme of study are eligible to work up to 20 hours per week during the academic year. Students can work full time (40 hrs) in New Zealand only during the summer holidays. The average wage for part time jobs is between NZ\$10 - NZ\$12 per hour. International students who have graduated from a course in New Zealand that would gain points under the Skilled Migrant Category may apply for a six month open work permit. Eligible student's partner may apply for a work permit, valid for the duration of the study course.

Industry:

NZ industries work side by side to encourage and sustain the economic activity and the benefits it brings to the people of NZ. Over 60% of NZ GDP is generated by services. This includes : The computer software development industry, film, television and commercial production industry, services like banking, finance, advertising, property, tourism & hospitality, and food processing. The manufacturing sector has shown strong export performance growth, which has encouraged investment and employment growth.

Health Insurance:

It is strongly recommended that all international students obtain medical insurance cover because most temporary students are not entitled to publicly funded health services while in New Zealand. A condition of your student visa is that you must have an adequate allowance and this should include coverage of medical costs. It is costing generally between NZ\$ 450 - NZ\$ 492.



Bank Loans:

Bank loans are easily available for higher studies. You need to have a collateral security. Interest varies from Bank to Bank.

Financial Assistance:

Funds are required for living (rent, food, transport, etc) and course costs (books and research expenses including international literature searches and data collection) in addition to tuition fees, if you need additional financial support to your own or family resources, there are a number of possibilities worth exploring. Note that application for funding is a separate operation to applying. You may receive admission to study but not be successful in your application for funds. You will not be granted a scholarship without admission

These scholarships and funding sources are available:

Scholarships offered by the New Zealand Government for Students from developing countries. These Overseas Development Assistance (NZODA) Postgraduate Scholarships cover airfares, accommodation and living expenses, as well as tuition fees. Please note that the number of scholarships awarded are very limited, and only students with exceptional grades will be considered. Application forms are available from the University International Centre or your New Zealand Diplomatic post.

NZAID (New Zealand's International Aid and Development Agency) is New Zealand's agency responsible for international assistance to developing countries. NZAID support for basic, post basic and tertiary education includes financial & technical assistance to strengthen existing higher education institutes and systems and the provision of scholarship for study in home country, regional and New Zealand institutions. NZDS, the programme under NZAID are for full time multi year courses in New Zealand for tertiary level studies through the public and open category. NZDS scheme covers tuition, orientation fees, economy fare, travel, a basic living allowance with the provision for accommodation expenses (paid through study institutes). Students from India can apply for NZDS open (via universities) categories.

WHY UNISOFT?

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- Representing Topmost Universities And Colleges
- Professional Counseling for UG & PG Courses by Experienced Counselors
- Hosting Direct Interviews from University Representatives

ADMISSION FORMALITIES

- Special attention to your application
- Highlighting areas essential for well presented error free application
- Recommend waiver of IELTS / TOFEL

VISA FORMALITIES

- Well Stocked With Visa Application Forms & Visa Formality Updates
- Comprehensive Guidance Regarding Completion Of Visa Application Forms
- Verification & Advice by specially trained accountants with regards to preparation of financial documents in the manner recommended by the New Zealand high commission

OTHER SERVICES

- IELTS registration center
- Bank Loan Assistance
- Tie up with Forex Providers
- Accommodation Assistance
- Ticket Booking

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