TOP MOST UNIVERSITIES FOR STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND

The educational institutes and universities in New Zealand offer world-class education with updated industry-based curriculum and programmes which are globally recognized. In fact, all the 8 Universities of the country are ranked among the top 3 % in the world by QS World University Rankings 2018.

The 8 universities in New Zealand are:

- Auckland University of Technology
- University of Canterbury
- Lincoln University
- University of Otego
- University of Auckland
- Massey University
- University of Waikato
- Victoria University of Wellington

EDUCATION SYSTEM OF NEW ZEALAND

The education system of New Zealand mainly focuses on both educational attainment and practical learning. It is rated as one of the best education systems in the world by London's Legatum Institute. The country's education system is based on a 3-tier model which

includes **primary** and **intermediate** schooling, after that secondary schooling (high schools) and the final one, is the **tertiary education** at universities and polytechnics. The nation is ranked as the best-funded education system in the world since they have the highest percentage of public funding in the education sector.

Universities in New Zealand provide a variety of courses and programs to the students depending on their area of interest, so that students can undertake flexible courses.

The country offers numerous options for international students.

- Level 1, 2, 3, and 4- Certificates
- Level 5 and 6 Diplomas
- Level 7 Bachelor's Degree and graduate diploma
- Level 8 Post Graduate Diploma
- Level 9 Masters Degree
- Level 10 Doctorate/PhD

In every academic level, there are numerous options for students, who wish to study aboard in New Zealand.

QUALIFICATIONS OFFERED

Generally, a bachelor's degree takes three years but if you are planning to do an honors course, it will take 4 years of study. However, this rule is not universally applicable to all universities. Hence, it is advisable to check with the university you are planning to apply for foreign study in New Zealand.

Undergraduate Courses

- Graduate Diploma
- Graduate Certificate
- Bachelor's Degree
- Bachelor's Degree with Honors

Post Graduate Courses

- Post Graduate Diploma
- Post Graduate Certificate

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The general eligibility criteria for studies in New Zealand are mentioned below:

English Requirement

- Both undergraduate and Master courses, the applicant must have a minimum score of 6.5 in IELTS for (the score depends on the course and university).
- Several universities ask for a minimum score of 50 in PTE Academic for undergraduate and 64 for Masters Courses.

Undergraduate

- 12 years of elementary and secondary education (12th /Intermediate).
- Most universities accept a minimum of 75% aggregate marks and a minimum of 60% in English
- Mathematics in class XII as a requirement (for some Sciences and Technology courses).
- Minimum mandatory IELTS/PTE Academic scores

Masters in New Zealand

- Bachelor's degree.
- Minimum compulsory IELTS / PTE Academic scores.
- Relevant work experience (for MBA and IT program).

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DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

The lists of documents required for applying to universities are:

- Class 10 mark sheet
- Class 10 Passing Certificate
- Class 12 Mark sheet
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- Bachelor's Mark sheets

- Provisional Certificate/Graduation Degree
- Supportive documents:
- Appointment letter/work experience letters
- Proof of work experience (for courses like MBA and Masters in IT)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Diplomas certificates if relevant
- GMAT/GRE results
- IELTS/ PTE Academic scores
- Letter of Recommendation (if applicable)
- Statement of purpose
- Proof of other extracurricular and co-curricular activities to support your application.

Financial Documents required are:

- A valid passport
- An offer letter from a New Zealand education provider for an NZQA approved the course.
- Proof of sufficient funds:
 - Money for tuition fee (self/sponsor)
 - Financial undertaking by the sponsor to cover living expenses.
 - Scholarship letter (if applicable).
 - The student must show that they are having NZ\$ 15,000 per annum to support their living expenses.
 - Evidence for air tickets that you will leave New Zealand after completing studies in New Zealand.
- The complete the medical examination report and chest X-ray for courses having a duration of more than 1 year.
- The international students planning to study in New Zealand for more than 2 years must submit a police certificate.
- Medical insurance is mandatory
- TT receipt /Fee receipt
- sters Degree
- Doctorates

WHEN AND HOW TO APPLY

If you are planning to study in New Zealand, it is always advisable to start sending queries at least 6–8 months before the proposed date of admission. There are two intakes in a year: in **January and July.** Certain institutions do offer multiple intakes in the month of September and November. They start accepting applications in August prior to the academic year, you are applying for. Application for vocational courses are open in March, April, May, July, and October (do check the university/institution).