Waikato Pathways College

Your gateway to a degree at the University of Waikato
pathways.waikato.ac.nz
Starting your course

Students currently offshore can now start their pathway programme at Waikato Pathways College online. During your studies, you will be taught by the same teachers as you would in a classroom in New Zealand and receive the same quality education as you would face-to-face.

After successfully completing your university degree, you are eligible to apply for a three-year post-study open work visa. For more information, visit immigration.govt.nz

The University of Waikato

The University of Waikato offers a wide variety of subject areas, nine of which are globally ranked, including Accounting and Finance, Business and Management, Computer Science, Economics and Environmental Sciences. Through the University’s strong connections with local, national and global industries, you will be able to gain practical skills in real-work environments and have the confidence to be successful in the modern world.

Foundation Studies

The Certificate of Attainment in Foundation Studies (Foundation Studies programme) prepares you for university studies and provides entry to most University of Waikato undergraduate degrees.

Foundation Studies programme – standard

Intakes: March, July and November 2021
Programme length: 8 months (2 trimesters)
English entry requirements: IELTS 5.5 or above (with at least a 5.0 in writing) or approved equivalent

Foundation Studies programme – accelerated

Intakes: March, July and November 2021
Programme length: 5 months (1 trimester)
English Entry Requirements: IELTS 5.5 or above (with at least a 5.5 in writing and no band less than a 5.0), or approved equivalent

Applicants not satisfying these requirements will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Find out more about the programme including fees, academic and English entry requirements and how to apply online by visiting pathways.waikato.ac.nz/programmes/foundation-studies

Over 90% of our students would recommend us

International Student Barometer 2019

Ranked at 375= out of the world’s best 1,000 universities

QS World University Rankings 2021

New Zealand ranked one of the most peaceful countries in the world

Global Peace Index 2020

Accommodation

Once the borders open and you can travel to New Zealand, a variety of accommodation options are available to suit your individual lifestyle and budget. To find out more, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz
Hamilton
Waikato Pathways College is located on the main University campus in Hamilton, one of New Zealand’s fastest growing cities. Hamilton is the fourth largest city in New Zealand and just a one-and-a-half-hour drive south of Auckland.

Tauranga
Once you have successfully completed your programme at Waikato Pathways College you can choose to study at the University of Waikato campus in Tauranga. Tauranga is home to New Zealand’s largest export port and has the fastest-growing population of any New Zealand city.

International Diploma (Business)
The International Diploma (Business) enables students to progress into year two of the Bachelor of Business at Waikato Management School, a Triple-Crown accredited business school.

Intakes: March 2021
Programme length: 12 months (3 trimesters)
English entry requirements: IELTS 5.5 (no band less than 5.0), or approved equivalent

Find out more about the programme, including English and academic entry requirements, fees and how to apply by visiting pathways.waikato.ac.nz/programmes/diploma/business

Pre-Masters programme
Diploma in Postgraduate Preparation – Pre-Masters
The Diploma in Postgraduate Preparation – Pre-Masters (DipPP) aims to prepare international students for a postgraduate degree at the Waikato Management School. Once successfully completed, you will gain entry to a selection of master degrees at the University, giving you the opportunity to study at a business school ranked in the top 1% worldwide.*

Intakes: November 2021
Programme length: 8-months (2 trimesters)
Entry requirements: A qualification equivalent of Level 6 on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF). The equivalent of at least 2 years’ full time successful tertiary study, IELTS 6.0 (with no less than 5.5 in any band) or approved equivalent

For more information about the programme, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz

*Accredited by AACSB, EQUIS and AMBA – only 1% of the world’s business schools have met the strict standards of all three accreditation bodies.

English language programmes
Our English programmes are designed for students who need to improve their English language skills and there are a number of programmes to suit your needs.

Certificate of Attainment in English Language (CAEL)
This programme focuses on maximising your progress in each of the four core English skills – speaking, writing, reading and listening. Successful completion of level 6 will provide you entry to the Foundation Studies programme at Waikato Pathways College, level 7 to most undergraduate degrees and level 8 to most postgraduate degrees at the University.

Levels: 8 levels, from elementary to advanced
Intakes: February, May, August and November 2021
Programme length: 10-weeks full time (levels 1-5), 8-10 weeks full time (levels 6-8)
English entry requirements:
Levels 1-3: You will enter into a level based on your current English proficiency
Levels 4-8: From IELTS 4.0 (4.0 in writing, no band less than 3.5) to IELTS 6.0 (6.0 writing, no band less than 5.5), depending on the level

For more details about the programme, entry requirements and start dates, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz/programmes/english-language

General English
General English is a programme designed for students who wish to improve their everyday English and is suitable for students preparing to enter the Academic English Language programme.

For more information about the programme, entry requirements, fees and start dates, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz/programmes/general-english

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How to Apply
To apply directly, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz and complete the online application form. You can also apply via an authorised education agent near you.

Information about how to accept your offer and pay fees, as well as refunds and administration charges, is available at pathways.waikato.ac.nz/terms-and-conditions.

You can now apply for the programmes at Waikato Pathways College in 2021 using a selection of approved English tests, including the Duolingo English Test (DET). For more details including terms and conditions, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz/admissions/entry-requirements

Terms and conditions apply.

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StudyGroup

Courses at Waikato Pathways College are delivered by Study Group NZ Limited on behalf of the University of Waikato

Code of Practice
The University of Waikato and Study Group NZ Limited have agreed to observe and be bound by the Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016. Copies of the Code are available from nzqa.govt.nz/studying-in-new-zealand. For further information on studying at Waikato as an international student, visit waikato.ac.nz/students/international

Immigration and student visas: For information on immigration requirements and student visas to New Zealand, visit immigration.govt.nz

Complaints procedure for international students: The University of Waikato is committed to ensuring you have a positive experience while you study with us. If at any time you have a problem with your experience at the University of Waikato, you can make a formal complaint. For more information, visit pathways.waikato.ac.nz/student-complaints

Quality assurance: The University of Waikato took part in the Cycle 5 Academic Audit in association with the Academic Quality Agency for New Zealand Universities (AQA) and received an audit report in 2015. The Cycle 6 Academic Audit is ongoing. Details are available at waikato.ac.nz/official-info/academic-audit/

International Student Contract Dispute Resolution Scheme (DRS): The University of Waikato is committed to fully complying with the DRS rules. For more information, please visit istudent.org.nz

Students under 18: It is our aim to offer all areas of support to ensure our international students enjoy a positive, safe and memorable experience while they study with us. If you are under the age of 18, you will be supported by one of the International Student Advisers as required by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students.* You must also live in a homestay or designated caregiver accommodation. This can include the halls of residence on campus.

* nzqa.govt.nz/providers-partners/education-code-of-practice/