

## Study in New Zealand

There are three categories of institutions in New Zealand to enable higher studies

1. [Universities](#)
2. [Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics\(ITPs\)](#)
3. [Private Training Establishments](#)



**Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics (ITP)** offer general technical and vocational education. Curriculum are based on practical knowledge in a working environment. Courses usually take place in workplaces (workshops, hospitals, studios...), certification upon graduation are industry-related and real work experiences are usually part of the curriculum

**Private Training Establishments (PTEs)** are to provide training often not available in the public sector. They offer curriculum in "niche occupations" like tourism, design or ICT. They also provide training to special needs groups or in time frames that support different learner needs. The tutors are generally drawn from industry rather than academia and the goal for most learners is to reach employment quickly. It has been argued that private trainers have the ability to respond quickly to the changing needs of industry. Most providers provide courses that are NZQA accredited and many offer certificates, diplomas and degrees. Private trainers offer an alternative to state schools and many learners prefer the supportive environment of most private trainers

### Do you need International Qualifications Assessment?

When you need to know if your international qualification meets the entry requirements for admission into a New Zealand education programme.

#### [What assessment do you need to do?](#)

Please note: If this is the only reason you're applying to have your international qualification assessed by us, please check with your intended New Zealand education provider first to see if they require an IQA from NZQA for admission. [Excerpts from NZQA website](#)

### Tuition and living Cost

- The tuition fee for one year study: ranges from NZD 16000-25000 and depends on college & course.
- As per requirements of INZ, the cost of living is NZD 15000 per year. You need to show evidence of these funds

### Mandatory Documents for your Student Visa Application

The full requirements are listed on the Application To Study In New Zealand form – Below is an outline of list of documents:

- A valid passport
- A completed application form
- The application fees
- Two recent passport-sized photos
- An unconditional offer of place to study at a university/Polytechnic/PTE in New Zealand
- Receipt showing payment of one year's tuition fees (if your visa application has been approved in principle)
- Guarantee of accommodation
- Evidence of sufficient funds for maintenance, via a letter or bank statement, or completed Financial Undertaking form (INZ 1014)
- Evidence of sufficient funds to purchase an outward ticket.



### About your partner's visa

Your partner or spouse have the option of applying for a work visa if you enrol in either :

- i) Studying for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage, as specified in the Long Term Skill Shortage List, or
- ii) Studying for a postgraduate qualification.

For other courses, it is not possible to add your partner to your student visa as a dependant. Your partner will need to apply for their own visa to be in New Zealand if he or she wishes to work or study.

### Visa Processing time:

Immigration New Zealand recommends you allow between four and six weeks for student visa processing.

### Your Obligations

You must hold comprehensive health insurance for the duration of your stay, as only residents and holders of two year or longer work permits are eligible for publicly funded health and disability services. You also have a legal obligation to be in New Zealand on a valid permit at all times. If you fail to remain in New Zealand lawfully you may be declined a visa to travel to the country in the future.