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The University of Auckland International Short Courses

Professional Development



International professional development programmes

The Centre for Continuing Education at The University of Auckland offers customised international professional development programmes for small groups from overseas.



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Many professions and organisations value international training as a way to gain a competitive edge or develop competence.

If you want a high quality professional development programme for your people, we will design one to meet your needs. Whether your group wants to study for a few days or several months, we can help.

We work closely with you to design a unique programme. Our presenters are professionals from both local industry and the nine university faculties. They are all highly regarded as experts both in New Zealand and internationally. We also arrange field trips, industry visits and other activities to enhance classroom learning.

If you would like to know more, please email us: cce@auckland.ac.nz

We also provide customised programmes for English language and Study Abroad students.

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Why choose The University of Auckland?

Busy professionals look for programmes that allow them to develop new skills and knowledge quickly. International programmes help professionals to develop both academic and cultural competencies.

By choosing us as your provider of an international professional development programme, you benefit from

- Content designed to suit your specific needs
- Content underpinned by current research and internationally benchmarked practice
- Presenters from a range of disciplines within The University of Auckland and local industry
- Contact with New Zealand colleagues in your profession or business
- Delivery that reflects the range of learning needs and styles of adult learners
- Regular monitoring to ensure that the programme is meeting the participants' needs
- Scheduling which fits your dates and times

Your people also enjoy the safe and pleasant environment of New Zealand's pre-eminent research-led university.

When your programme is finished, we help you evaluate and adapt the programme for future groups as required.



Your programme

Academic programme

Your customised programme can focus on one particular subject or cover a range of topics.

In partnership with academics and local industry leaders, we develop a programme that meets your professional development objectives, required timeframes and financial resources.

We encourage interactive learning and strongly emphasise practical application of theory. Learning can take place on-campus in the classroom and off-campus through field trips, industry visits and other activities.

Field trips and industry visits

International professional development programmes usually combine lectures with field trips and industry visits. The Centre for Continuing Education has experience and expertise in arranging visits to organisations relevant to the course of study.

We also organise trips to areas of interest around Auckland and elsewhere in the country. Popular destinations are Rotorua, the Bay of Islands and Queenstown.

The University of Auckland has a set of Health and Safety Protocols that we strictly observe when organising off-campus activities. These protocols ensure the safety of everyone taking part.

Contact us

We enjoy hosting international groups and offer a truly personal service.

If you would like to know more about designing an international professional development programme for your people, please email us: cce@auckland.ac.nz

Or call us. From within New Zealand, phone 0800 864 266. From other countries, phone +64 9 373 7599 ext 87038.

Sample programme

Course 1: New Zealand Law and Restorative Justice
Course 2: English Language

Two-week programme

Day 1	2.00pm-5.30pm	Arrive Auckland Auckland City tour
Day 2	9.00am-10.30am 10.45am-12.00pm 12.00pm 1.00pm-3.00pm	Orientation and welcome English language class Welcome lunch Lecture: New Zealand Family Law; Family Law practitioner
Day 3	9.00am-10.00am 10.15am-12.00pm 1.00pm-3.00pm	English language class Lecture: Restorative Justice; Restorative Justice practitioners Restorative Justice discussion
Day 4	9.00am-10.00am 10.15am-12.00 1.00pm-3.30pm	English language class Lecture: New Zealand Legal System; Law Professor Lecture: New Zealand Legal System - continued
Day 5	9.00am-10.00am 10.15am-12.00pm Afternoon	English language class English language class - continued Free
Day 6	8.00am-12.00pm Afternoon	Field trip: Waitakere District Court Free
Days 7 - 9		Rotorua field trip
Day 10	9.00am-10.00am 10.15am-12.00pm 1.00pm-3.30pm	English language class Lecture: New Zealand Criminal Law; Law Professor Field Trip: Auckland District Court
Day 11	9.00am-10.00am 10.15am-12.00pm 1.00pm-3.30pm	English language class Lecture: Human Rights; Dean of the Law Faculty Field trip: Auckland High Court
Day 12	9.00am-10.10am 10.15am-12.00pm 1.00pm-3.00pm	English language class English language class - continued Lecture: Restorative Justice; High Court Judge
Day 13	10.00am-12.00pm 6.00pm	Farewell and presentation of certificates Farewell dinner

How we look after you

To make each learner's experience valuable and enjoyable, we work closely with participants, accompanying academics and tour group leaders.

We arrange the following and more, depending on your needs.

Pre-departure

- Programme design
- Curriculum development
- Pre-departure information
- Accommodation

While you are here

- Airport greeting and transfers
- Orientation programme
- Programme coordination
- University library resources
- University Health Services
- University Support Services
- Field trips
- Social events
- Farewell function



Accommodation

The Centre for Continuing Education can advise you about accommodation to fit your budget.

There is a good range of quality and budget hotels or apartments within 15 minutes walk of the university campus. The University Halls of Residence are often available during the summer holiday from November to February.

We can also arrange homestay accommodation within a 30-minute commute of the university. You may prefer this option for the length of the group's stay. Alternatively, you may choose homestay accommodation for just a few days to enable participants to meet a New Zealand family.

Homestay accommodation includes a room, breakfast and dinner on weekdays, and all meals for weekends and public holidays.

About The University of Auckland

Established in 1883, The University of Auckland is New Zealand's pre-eminent research-led university. It is the largest university in the country and is well-known for excellent teaching and service.

The University of Auckland also enjoys international status as the only New Zealand university invited to join Universitas 21 and the Association of Pacific Rim Universities. Membership of both groups is by invitation and limited to research-led institutions of international reputation across a broad spectrum of disciplines.

The university attracts postgraduate and undergraduate students from all over the world. Nearly 5,000 international students from 80 countries choose to study at Auckland. Their different perspectives and cultures enrich the entire university community.

The Times Higher Education Supplement World University Rankings 2007

Overall ranking: 50

Subject area rankings

- Biomedicine: 41
- Arts and Humanities: 32
- Social Sciences: 35

Students

Undergraduate: 29,000

Postgraduate: 9,000

Domestic: 33,000

International: 5,000

Staff

Academic: 2,800

General: 2,800

Degrees awarded (2006)

Undergraduate: 6,143

Postgraduate: 4,098

Alumni

Over 100,000 alumni—about 20,000 offshore.



Campus life

The city campus is in the heart of Auckland, separated from the central business district towers by historic Albert Park. To the south-east lie the trees and open spaces of the Auckland Domain. Students enjoy being close to the cultural and commercial amenities of the country's largest city, yet still enjoy an attractive park-like setting.



Good public transport makes The University of Auckland easily accessible from all corners of the city.

Students on International Short Courses can use many of the university's facilities and services. These include the Recreation Centre, Library and iSPACE, which is a place for international students to meet and socialise.

Student Health operates a general medical practice on campus. You have access to this practice and will be charged a NZ\$20 consultation fee, plus a charge for any medication.

Other amenities located on the city campus include

- A hairdresser
- Post and travel agencies
- A pharmacy
- Book and computer shops
- A bank and several ATM machines
- A foodhall and several cafés
- Bars and licensed restaurants

There are always plays, concerts and other entertainment running at the University's Maidment Theatre and other nearby performance venues.



About Auckland

Landscape and climate

Auckland city is built on the isthmus between the Pacific Ocean and Tasman Sea. It is sheltered from the prevailing westerly winds by the scenic Waitakere ranges. The region stretches from the rugged west coast, with its black sand beaches, over mountain ranges to the beautiful white sandy beaches of the east coast and out to the islands of the Hauraki Gulf. Auckland is known as the 'City of Sails' and Aucklanders love being out on the water. The numerous volcanic cones around which the city is built make for an interesting and hilly terrain with spectacular views. Auckland experiences a temperate coastal climate with plentiful sunshine and rain showers. Monthly average maximum temperatures range between 14 and 24°C (57-75°F).

People

Auckland is the gateway to New Zealand. About 70% of all overseas migrants choose to live in Auckland. It is therefore the most multicultural city in New Zealand and the biggest Polynesian city in the world. The population of 1.3 million is made up of people mainly from European, Maori, Polynesian and Asian cultures. So the Auckland lifestyle has plenty of cultural diversity.

Things to do

Auckland is a great place to live and study. There is something for everyone, from extreme adventure to a quiet morning coffee and browsing in the local markets and shops. Residents and visitors take part in world class entertainment and sporting events, cultural festivals and leisure activities. For dining out, there are restaurants to meet every taste, including many ethnic restaurants in the city and suburbs.

People have the choice of relaxing in one of the 800 parks and open spaces in Auckland. Outside the city centre, Regional Parks provide larger open spaces for recreation and exploration. There are well-maintained, safe walkways providing access to the unique natural environment on the coast or in the bush.

About New Zealand

Landscape

New Zealand lies in the southern Pacific Ocean, 1,600 km east of Australia and is made up of two main islands.

In the South Island, the spectacularly beautiful landscape includes the vast mountain range of the Southern Alps. There are also broad coastal plains, deeply indented fiords and lush rainforest. In the North Island, there are fascinating geothermal areas, beaches and large harbours. One quarter of New Zealand is protected wilderness and much of the country is pollution free.

Although New Zealand is about the same size as Japan or Colorado, the population is small—just 4 million people. So New Zealand is one of the world's least crowded countries. It provides an environment for students seeking a peaceful, slower pace of life as well as a playground for thrill seekers and adventurers.

History

Polynesian settlers arrived in Aotearoa/New Zealand around the tenth century. By the twelfth century, settlements were scattered over most of the country. Abel Tasman was the first European explorer to see New Zealand in 1642. But it was Captain James Cook who first set foot on New Zealand soil in 1769. The first permanent European settlers arrived in the 1830s.

The Treaty of Waitangi established the country as a nation and is regarded as New Zealand's founding document. It was signed in 1840 between leading Maori chiefs and representatives of the British Crown at Waitangi in the Bay of Islands. Waitangi is now one of the country's most historic sites. The signing of the treaty began on 6 February and this day has become New Zealand's national day, known as 'Waitangi Day'.

Culture

New Zealand culture is unique and dynamic. The culture of its indigenous Maori people affects the language, the arts, and even the accents of New Zealanders. Recent migrants, particularly from Asia, have helped to create a diverse society full of interest and variety. New Zealanders are heavily involved in outdoor activities, with sports and leisure playing a major role in shaping their cultural identity.

