

2025/26 International Prospectus



Christchurch | New Zealand





UC PROVIDES EVERYTHING:
*connections, opportunities,
 community service, and
 brilliant learning.*
 — Rishi, India



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UC is proud to partner with Ngāi Tūāhuriri and Ngāi Tahu to uphold the mana and aspirations of mana whenua.

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Nau mai, haere mai, welcome to Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha University of Canterbury

As you contemplate your career aspirations, and the next steps of your academic journey, I am delighted you are considering the University of Canterbury (UC).

UC is welcoming, inclusive, and diverse, with more than 100 nationalities represented in our international student community.

Aotearoa New Zealand's second oldest university, we celebrated our 150th anniversary in 2023. UC ranks among the top 2% of universities worldwide, with innovation and global awareness just some of the characteristics that underpin our teaching quality, which UC students have ranked at 91%, placing UC among the top universities in Australasia.

We are proud of the positive impact our graduates have in Ōtautahi Christchurch, New Zealand, and around the world. Over 95% of UC graduates

are employed or engaging in further study, and QS ranked UC second in New Zealand for employability.

UC brings you opportunities to make lifelong friends while establishing the foundation of your future career, and offering you endless opportunities for education, exploration, and recreation.

The University of Canterbury Student's Association (UCSA) is committed to your interests and has a strong student-led clubs' culture which encourages you to explore a number range of activities and immerse yourself in an authentic Kiwi experience.

Christchurch is one of the most affordable cities in New Zealand to both study and live and is a gateway to the South Island's spectacular and unique geography.

You can explore food and culture and embrace the many exciting activities available – with beaches and mountains only 90 minutes from the city, you can surf, ski, walk, bike and more.

For these reasons and more, QS ranked Christchurch in the top 100 best



student cities worldwide. Christchurch is a place for everyone, from everywhere. Whatever your life looks like, you'll find your place in our city.

We give our students the chance to find themselves, to connect with others and positively contribute to a changing world. We look forward to being part of your journey.

Professor Cheryl de la Rey
Tumu Whakararae | Vice-Chancellor



About the University of Canterbury (UC)

Established in 1873, UC was New Zealand's second university. The University of Canterbury was different from many universities of the time: women were welcomed right from the start.

We still strive to be a welcoming community that supports and encourages you, no matter where you come from or what your interests are.

History

Starting as Canterbury College, UC was renamed Canterbury University College in 1933 before becoming the University of Canterbury in 1957.

For our first 100 years, the University was situated in the centre of Christchurch (now the Arts Centre), but moved to its current location in 1975. We are currently located in a spacious, purpose-built 76-hectare site in the suburb of Ilam — like a little city between the sea and the mountains.

The 'new' campus has a central complex of libraries, lecture theatres, laboratories, and student accommodation surrounded by playing fields, a river, and the renowned Ilam Gardens.

It also has the most extensive network of research field stations of any university in Aotearoa, including Kaikōura, Cass, Westport, Harihari (South Westland), Aotearoa New Zealand's premier astronomical research facility at Mount John in Tekapo, the sub-Antarctic Snares Islands, Antarctica, and Nigeria.



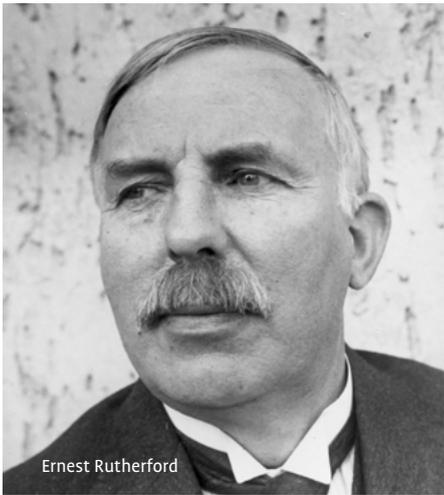
“University is an important stage of growth in your life – make the most out of it!”

Chanya

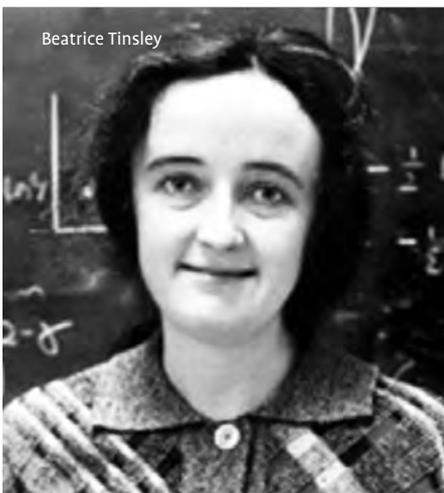
Thailand

Master of Business Information Systems

Marketing Lead, Virtual Medical Coaching Ltd



Ernest Rutherford



Beatrice Tinsley

Legends of UC

From scientists, prime ministers, journalists, artists to entrepreneurs, many legends have graduated from UC.

Many campus buildings are named after accomplished graduates such as:

- Ernest Rutherford, the first person to split an atom and Nobel Prize winner.
- Beatrice Tinsley, known as the ‘Queen of the Cosmos’ and has a mountain named after her.
- Karl Popper, one of the greatest philosophers of the 20th century.
- Jack Erskine, physicist and electrical engineer after whom UC’s Erskine Fellowship is named.
- Elsie Locke, a writer and historian who fought for women’s rights, nuclear disarmament, social justice, and the environment long before these causes became popular.

Other well-known graduates include leader and politician Sir Āpirana Ngata (Ngāti Porou), a contemporary of Ernest Rutherford, who became the first Māori graduate from a New Zealand university. Portraits of the two legends are on New Zealand’s \$100 and \$50 notes respectively.

Dame Ngaio Marsh and Rita Angus, graduates of UC, are important artists. Dame Ngaio is known as a “Queen of Crime” novelist and an actor; and Rita, a pioneer of modern painting known for showcasing her love of humanity in her art.

Inspired by Dame Ngaio Marsh is UC alum Sam Neill. You would recognise him from the original *Jurassic Park* movies and many other big Hollywood projects.

Anthony Wilding, former world no. 1 tennis player and winner of 11 Grand Slam titles, was considered to be the world’s first tennis superstar.

Besides our legends, we have other notable alumni from the 21st century, including recent graduates.

canterbury.ac.nz/communities/alumni



Why Aotearoa New Zealand?

As an international student, you will experience all that Aotearoa New Zealand has to offer, from dynamic cities to breathtaking landscapes and unlimited outdoor adventure.

NEW ZEALAND IS...

4th most peaceful country*

11th in the world for natural environment^

18th in the world for education^

* Global Peace Index, 2023.

^ Legatum Prosperity Index, 2023.





Mt Hutt ski field



Marlborough



Franz Josef Glacier



Kaikōura



Queenstown



Hanmer Springs



Milford Sound



Auckland



Wellington

Ōtautahi Christchurch



City Centre



Parks and recreation



Akaroa



Shopping



Sumner Beach



Activity on campus

Canterbury photos courtesy ChristchurchNZ



Source: ChristchurchNZ

Source: ChristchurchNZ

489,000
Population of Christchurch

Why Ōtautahi Christchurch?

Christchurch is the second largest city in the country. It is located in the iwi region of Ngāi Tahu.

Ōtautahi Christchurch has become one of the world’s most modern and sustainable cities through its strong partnership with Ngāi Tūāhuriri as mana whenua. Mana whenua refers to the mana (authority) held by the local hapū or iwi (tribe) over the land. Throughout the city, you will find cultural narratives of the region woven through our streets, open spaces, and buildings .

Explore

Christchurch is a city that makes time and space for recreation with over 700 parks and gardens to explore including the largest in the southern hemisphere. Low traffic congestion means that you can reach most parts of the city in a 20 minute drive.

As the largest and most central city in the South Island, it is the perfect base from which to explore —you can ski and surf in the same day!

What sets Christchurch apart?

We are in a city filled with entrepreneurial spirit —for future-focused, sustainable businesses and people who want to do things differently.

You will find:

- new infrastructure
- favourable rent-income ratio
- affordable housing
- a diverse, innovative community
- a strong education sector.

CHRISTCHURCH IS...

2nd largest city in New Zealand

19% cheaper than Wellington to live*

17% cheaper than Auckland to live*

#1 largest inner city park in the southern hemisphere

* ChristchurchNZ



Source: ChristchurchNZ



Digital City

Ōtautahi Christchurch leads the way in innovation, research, and technology, and is home to the country's 2nd largest tech sector. Our graduates are highly sought after for this growth sector.

The Canterbury economy is growing at a higher rate than the national average. We have an estimated long-term skills shortage of over 50,000 workers by 2030.

Future Growth Industries

Christchurch is ranked in the world's top 250 cities for start-ups. Sectors where Canterbury has a competitive advantage, opportunity of scale, and value chain collaboration are:

- aerospace
- IT and high-tech services
- health and medical technology
- food, fibre, and agritech.

Cost of living

“New Zealand offers a great learning environment with a beautiful surrounding that can help keep minds relaxed.”

Syaida
 Malaysia
 Master of Applied Data Science
 Tourism Economic Analyst, ChristchurchNZ



Christchurch



Auckland



Wellington



Perth



Sydney



Melbourne



London

The cost of living is cheaper in Christchurch. \$100 spent on everyday expenses will cost more in other cities as you can see in this diagram.

Source: ChristchurchNZ



UNIQUE LOCATION

UC is a well situated campus — distinct from the rest of Christchurch — so it is easy to get around, whether you walk, bike, ride the bus, or drive.

Source: ChristchurchNZ

Life in Christchurch

In Christchurch, there’s always a way for students to be part of something exciting — home to multinationals and future growth industries: aerospace and future transport, health tech and resilient communities, food and agritech, and IT.





Source: ChristchurchNZ

1. UC campus

2. University of Canterbury Student Association (UCSA)

3. UC accommodation

4. Asian supermarket and restaurants

15-minute walk from UC

5. Westfield shopping mall

5-minute drive from UC

6. Central business district (CBD)

10-minute drive from UC

7. Port Hills

20-minute drive from UC

8. Beach

20-minute drive from UC

9. Airport

10-minute drive from UC

10. UC sports field



Why UC?

A world-recognised university

The University of Canterbury cultivates curious students and delivers creative and innovative research for the benefit of both local and global communities. Our academic leaders explore their fields of expertise with integrity and vigour, encourage conversations and challenges, and share their discoveries to create better outcomes for everyone.

UC has six faculties and one business school

- Arts | Toi Tangata
- Education | Ako
- Engineering | Pūhanga
- Law | Ture
- Health | Oranga
- Science | Pūtaiao
- UC Business School | Te Kura Umanga



Times Higher Education
Impact Rankings
2024 TOP 90



Times Higher Education
Impact Rankings
SDG12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION
AND PRODUCTION
2024 TOP 10

Triple crown accredited Business School:



MORE

60+

Partner Universities

3000+

Employer Connections

35+

Research Centres

International Partnerships

UC works closely with universities around the world to provide opportunities to our students. It could be a semester abroad at one of our exchange partners, or an international short course with your

classmates, our international connections mean there's something for everyone.

We also provide opportunities for students from partner institutions to study part of their qualification in their home country and then complete it at UC through

articulation agreements and dual degree programmes.

We have partnerships with more than 100 institutions around the globe.

canterbury.ac.nz/about-uc/partnering-with-uc/global-partnerships



Improve job outcomes

Our latest Graduate Destination Survey 2023 revealed:

88%

of graduates found jobs

22

countries where graduates work



Half our graduates earned between **\$50,001-\$70,000** in a year, and 31% earned **\$70,001 and above**.

Modern facilities

We have many resources to support your study:

- over 1.9 million research items in UC's three libraries
- computer suites that are open 24-7
- modern lecture theatres and innovative learning hubs
- online portal and interactive resources
- well-equipped laboratories, including the Canterbury Engineering the Future (CETF) precinct and the Rutherford Regional Science and Innovation Centre (RRSIC).

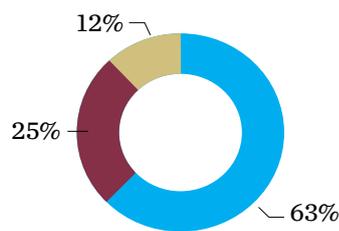
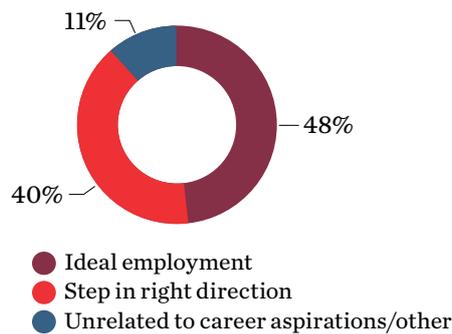
Hands-on experience

Many of our courses offer internships, community engagement, and access to world-class field stations like the Mount John observatory and Cass field station.

World-class academics

UC's academic staff are well known in their fields and often write the textbooks you will study. We also bring in academics from universities around the world, including Oxford and Cambridge, via our staff exchange programme.

How our graduates described their current job



- Directly related to study
- Indirectly related to study
- Not directly related to study

Cutting-edge research

UC is home to cutting-edge research facilities, including:

- Biomolecular Interaction Centre
- Gateway Antarctica: Centre for Antarctic Studies and Research
- Human Interface Technology Laboratory (HITLabNZ)
- MacDiarmid Institute for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology
- New Zealand Institute of Language, Brain and Behaviour
- NZi3
- Social Science Research Centre
- Waterways Centre for Freshwater Management.

The University operates field stations in Cass, Westport, Harihari, the sub-Antarctic Snares Islands, and Antarctica; and Aotearoa New Zealand's premier astronomical research facility at Mount John, famous for its clear southern skies.

These facilities mean that UC offers research opportunities in the field that no other New Zealand university can match.

#2

for employment outcomes in Aotearoa New Zealand (QS World Rankings, 2023)



“I chose to study at UC because I want to find a place to figure out what’s for me in the future. I wanted to be studying at a place that allows a good degree of freedom but provides all the necessary support I need.”

Vincent
Indonesia
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

What can I study at UC?





Arts

At UC, you will find an academically vibrant and culturally diverse environment.

With many critical research centres and over 40 subjects spanning the humanities, social science, languages, and creative arts; UC Arts is the place to broaden your perspective and gain an outstanding education.

PACE Internship

The PACE Internship programme offers unique Work integrated Learning (WIL) and practical learning with local organisations and workplaces.

MORE

50

Arts subjects offered

100

Top 100 in the world for Linguistics*

200

Top 200 in Political Science and International Relations*

* QS World University Rankings by subject, 2024.



Times Higher Education
Impact Rankings
SDG13 CLIMATE ACTION
2024 TOP 40



“UC and NZ is a good place to learn about media for many reasons. Importantly, people are very kind, not just inside of the campus but also outside.”

Shotaro

Japan

Bachelor of Arts in Media and Communication, and Chinese
TV Tokyo Broadcaster

Undergraduate

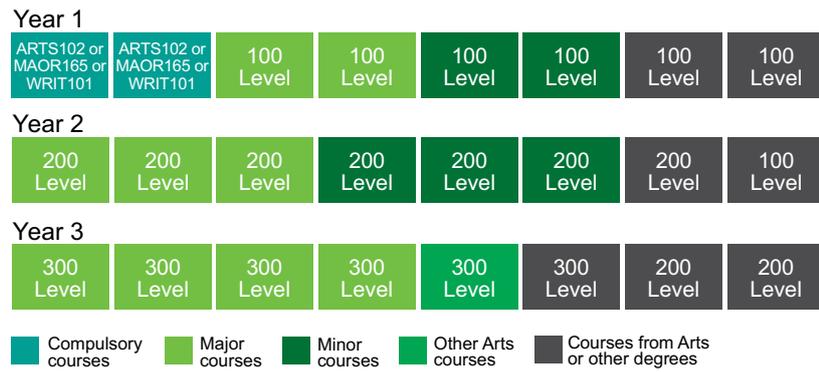
Bachelor of Arts offers two pathways:

Bachelor of Arts (major and minor)

Subjects
Anthropology
Art History and Theory
Chinese
Cinema Studies
Classics
Cultural Studies
Economics
Education
English
European and European Union Studies
French
Geography
German
History
Human Services
Japanese
Linguistics
Māori and Indigenous Studies
Mathematical Sciences Education
Mathematics
Media and Communication
Music
Philosophy
Political Science and International Relations
Psychology
Russian
Sociology
Spanish
Statistics
Te Reo Māori

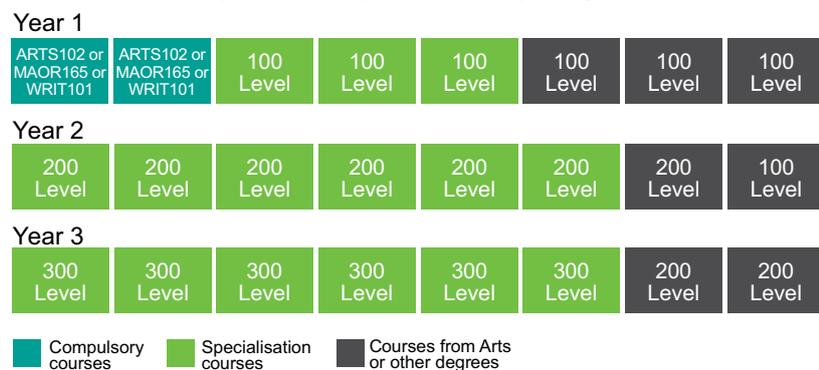
Find out more at canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/bachelor-of-arts

Bachelor of Arts – Major/minor pathway example degree structure



Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Bachelor of Arts – Specialisation pathway example degree structure

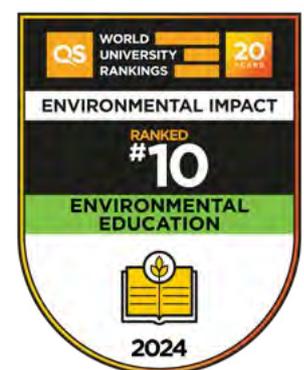


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Bachelor of Arts (specialisation)

Specialisations	
Creative Industries and Contemporary Practice	Language, Brain and Behaviour
Cultural Heritage	Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Global Societies and Cultures	Society, Diversity and Change
International Affairs	

Find out more at canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/arts/study-arts/arts-qualifications/ba-specialisations



Bachelor of Social and Environmental Sustainability

The only undergraduate degree in New Zealand that focuses on all areas of sustainability from social to economic to environmental. Majors include:

- Environmental Policy, Governance and Social Justice
- Sustainable Business, Enterprise and Economics
- Social Action, Community and Global Development
- Indigenous Knowledge and Sustainable Partnerships.

Bachelor of Social and Environmental Sustainability– example degree structure

Year 1

SENS 101	ENVR 101	MAOR 108	WRIT 101	ARTS102 or STAT101	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

SENS 201	200 Level	100 Level					
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Year 3

SENS 301	PACE 295 or 395	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level
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■ Compulsory courses
 ■ Major courses
 ■ Courses from Arts or other degrees

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Points	Cost per year (120 points)
Bachelor of Arts	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$33,550
Bachelor of Communication	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$33,325
Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours	Feb	4 years	360	\$40,450
Bachelor of Fine Arts	Feb	4 years	480	\$37,300
Bachelor of Music	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$38,050
Bachelor of Social and Environmental Sustainability	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$34,975

Graduate and Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Bachelor of Arts with Honours	Over 25 subjects are available to study and you can do your own research as well as taught electives. (C+R)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,800
Graduate Diploma in Arts	The Graduate Diploma is a pathway into postgraduate Arts study if you hold a bachelor's degree in a non-Arts subject. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$32,800
Postgraduate Diploma in Arts	This Diploma is ideal for graduates wishing to undertake advanced study in humanities or social sciences. It offers pathways to other postgraduate study opportunities. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$32,400
Postgraduate Diploma in Translation and Interpreting	This Diploma teaches you the advanced language, cultural, and communication skills needed by professional interpreters and translators. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$32,400
Master of Arts	This degree combines coursework and dissertation. Prerequisites vary, but normally good grades in 300-level courses in the subject concerned are required. (C+R)	Feb or July	1–2 years	180	\$55,200
Master of Arts (Thesis)	This degree consists of a thesis in a chosen subject. Prerequisites vary between programmes, but normally good grades in an Honours degree in the subject concerned are required. (R)	Start of any month	1–2 years	120	\$36,800

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Fine Arts	This degree comprises a submission of work in one of Moving Image, Graphic Design, Painting, Photography, or Sculpture. A Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with Honours is required for entry. (R)	Feb	1 year	120	\$42,200
Master of Applied Translation and Interpreting	Learn the advanced language, cultural, and communication skills you need to work as professional interpreters and translators. (C)	Feb	12–18 months	180	\$48,600
Master of European Union Studies	This degree is unique in Australasia. It looks at the European Union in the global context while focusing on the Asia-Pacific region and EU–NZ relations. (C+R)	Feb or July	12–18 months	180	\$48,600
Master of International Relations and Diplomacy	The MIRAD is perfect for students interested in careers in foreign affairs or inter-state coordination. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$48,600
Master of Linguistics	Offers linguistic analysis courses as well as a research component. Graduates will gain awareness and appreciation of linguistics in Aotearoa and the Pacific. (C+R)	Feb or July	1 year	180	\$48,600
Master of Music	Follows the MusB(Hons) and may be taken in Composition or Performance. (R)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$42,200
Master of Policy and Governance	A professional capstone qualification in policy analysis and strategic decision making, this degree will provide training for those wishing to progress in local, regional, national, and third sector/not-for-profit roles. (C+R)	Feb	12–18 months	180	\$48,600
Master of Strategic Communication	This degree will allow you to understand communication in complex media environments. Learn media writing, analytics, and workplace research methods. (C+R)	Feb	12–18 months	180	\$48,600
Master of Writing	Offers a thorough grounding in the skills common to all genres of writing – creative, professional, technical, and academic – while deepening your knowledge and ability in one or more genre. (C+R)	Feb or July	12–18 months	180	\$48,600
Doctor of Musical Arts	The Doctor of Musical Arts is aimed at those wishing to undertake advanced research in music composition or performance. (R)	Start of any month	3 years	360	\$43,850 per 120 points
Doctor of Philosophy	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	Start of any month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

(C) = coursework qualification; (R) = research qualification; (C+R) = coursework plus research qualification.



Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours



Be part of the exciting transformation in the digital screen industry!

The digital screen sector is rapidly growing, in areas such as virtual and augmented reality, 3D storytelling, and virtual production. UC's Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours is an applied, four-year degree with a key focus on storytelling, whether it is with words, images, animation, or sound. During your degree, you will work on collaborative projects with other students to build a portfolio of work to give you a headstart in your career.

You will have access to high-tech facilities and industry standard tools. Including editing suites, motion capture studio, and digital filmmaking technology.

The Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours will equip you with the core foundations required to join the film and game industry!



Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours – example degree structure

Year 1

DISC 101	DISC 102	PROD 110	PROD 121	PROD 142	MUSA 126	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

DISC 201	200 Level	100 or 200 Level					
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Year 3

DISC 301	DISC 380	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 or 300 Level	200 or 300 Level
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Year 3

DISC 401	DISC 402	DISC 403			
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■ Compulsory courses
 ■ Major courses
 ■ Minor or elective courses

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Majors
Animation
Cinematic Arts
Game Arts
Game Development
Screen Sound
Screenwriting
Indigenous Narrative (minor only)

Career pathways

As a successful graduate of the Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours, you will finish your study with a portfolio of work to show future employers. Career options include:

- Game Engine Programmer
- Automation Engineer
- Film Producer
- Character Animator
- Screenwriter
- Sound Engineer.



UCE

UC Centre of Entrepreneurship (UCE) provides a dedicated, student-focused space where ideas and innovation can flourish.

Business

UC Business School offers internationally recognised qualifications with courses underpinned by research in a vibrant learning environment.

Student support

UC Business School offers personalised support for international students, including providing real-time support via social media and regular activities designed to support your academic, social, and career needs. The overall support service satisfaction rate among UC Business School students is 94% according to the 2023 International Student Barometer, 6% above the global university benchmark.

Your future career

At UC Business School, we offer many industry-based projects or internships and career-focused extra-curricular activities such as the Global Impact Industry Project. 97% of UC Business School students were satisfied or very satisfied with the opportunities to meet employers and the career support they had received according to the 2023 International Student Barometer, 25% and 22% above the global university benchmark respectively.

MORE

1%

of business schools that holds the 'Triple Crown' accreditation

200

Top 200 in the world for Business and Economics*

31st

in Hospitality and Tourism Management**

* Times Higher Education (THE), 2024.
** Shanghai Global Ranking, 2023.



Undergraduate

Bachelor of Commerce

Customise your degree by combining majors and minors in commerce and non-commerce subjects to suit your goals and interests.

Majors
Accounting
Economics
Finance
Human Resource Management
Information Systems
International Business
Management
Marketing
Operations and Supply Chain Management
Strategy and Entrepreneurship
Taxation and Accounting
Tourism Marketing and Management
Minors
Business Analytics
Business and Sustainability
Economics
Entrepreneurship
Taxation
Minors from other degrees

Bachelor of Commerce – example degree structure

Year 1

ACCT 102	ECON 104	INFO 123	MGMT 100	STAT 101	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

BSNS 201	200 Level	200 Level	200 Level	200 Level	100 Level	200 Level	200 Level
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Year 3

BSNS 299	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level
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Zero-points, zero-fees courses
 Compulsory courses
 Major courses
 Other Commerce courses
 Courses from Commerce or other degrees

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Get social with UC Business

Follow the official UC Business School social media channels for all the latest from students and staff.

Engage with other students and find out more about student life at UC. Follow [ucnz.life](https://www.instagram.com/ucnz.life) on Instagram and UC坎大环游记 on Little Red Book (小红书) for student stories.



Instagram



Little Red Book



WeChat



Whatsapp



“UC was the choice of my studies in light of the Triple-Crown accreditation of its Business school. This means that my degree is recognised by the international community.”

Nathaniel

Singapore

Bachelor of Commerce in Management
Advisor, ADV Risk Consulting, KPMG

UC Business School offers a range of awards for international students. Your eligibility is assessed as part of the application process for eligible programmes.

Undergraduate programme

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Total Points	Tuition fees per year (120 points)
Bachelor of Commerce	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$36,550

Postgraduate programmes

As a postgraduate student at UC Business School, you will interact closely with supervisors and lecturers, plus have the opportunity to engage with guest lectures and presentations by business leaders, innovators, and entrepreneurs.

Our options are developed to support both students with a commerce degree and those from other areas of study.

Conversion programmes

- Postgraduate Diploma in Business Information Systems
- Postgraduate Diploma in Business
- Master of Business – Marketing, Management, Financial Management, Supply Chain Management
- Master of Business Information Systems.

Professional programmes

- Master of Professional Accounting (No background in Accounting required)
- Master of Applied Economics and Finance.

Executive programmes

- Master of Business Administration
- Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration.

Research programmes

- Bachelor of Commerce with Honours
- Master of Commerce
- Doctor of Philosophy.

Graduate and Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Bachelor of Commerce with Honours	Further your expertise in your chosen major, and explore specialist topics that can lead to entry to master's programmes by thesis. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	120	\$35,100
Diploma in Advancing University Studies	Pre-master's qualification that provides a direct pathway for those without a bachelor's degree to enter master's programmes.	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$32,400
Graduate Diploma in Commerce	Complete advanced undergraduate commerce courses in a new subject area and transition to research-based postgraduate study. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$34,900
Postgraduate Diploma in Business	Gain knowledge and skills that you can apply across a wide range of industries. It is a pathway into the Master of Business or Master of Professional Accounting. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,400
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration	This diploma includes courses from the Master of Business Administration programme. You may transfer to the Master of Business Administration if you complete this qualification with a B average or higher. (C)	Feb, May, or Sept	1 year	120	\$40,900
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Information Systems	Gain information systems-related skills with the opportunity to transfer to the Master of Business Information Systems. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,400



“I work as a marketing and sales coordinator for a local company. I got the job from a connection I made through a summer micro internship from UC Business School.”

Jenny

China

Master of Business in Marketing
Sales and Marketing Executive,
Walnuts New Zealand Co-operative

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Postgraduate Diploma in Information and Systems Technology	Deepen your information systems knowledge or to prepare yourself for further research in this area. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,400
Master of Applied Finance and Economics	Study Finance and Economics by taking coursework in both subjects followed by a practical course. (C)	Jan	12–13 months	180	\$54,600
Master of Business	Explore business basics as well as specialising in Financial Management, Management, Marketing, or Supply Chain Management. It also includes project opportunities through our industry contacts. (C)	Feb or July	16 months	180	\$54,600
Master of Business Administration	The Master of Business Administration offers a chance to upskill, make a career change, and gain relevant business connections and experiences. You will take compulsory and elective courses as well as a consulting project. There are also opportunities to attend seminars, guest lectures, and networking events. (C)	Feb, May, or Sept	18 months	180	\$61,350
Master of Business Information Systems	Take advantage of the demand for “tech-savvy” business graduates. Combining business with information systems, this qualification is designed to equip you with the specialist knowledge and skills to manage technology-driven innovation. (C)	Feb or July	16 months	180	\$54,600
Master of Commerce	Comprised of taught coursework and complemented by thesis or research project. (C+R)	Feb	12–18 months	180	\$54,600
Master of Professional Accounting*	As a conversion taught master’s, this qualification will give you the skills and knowledge to be an accountant. Leads to provisional membership of professional bodies such as Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand. (C)	Feb or July	16 months	180	\$54,600
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	Start of any month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

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(C) = coursework qualification; (R) = research qualification; (C+R) = coursework plus research qualification.



“I enjoyed how the entire programme was just not classroom based and involved working on case studies, real-life business situations, networking with current industry professionals, and focused more on my overall development and getting me ready to step into the professional world.”

Abhinav
India
Master of Business Management
Domain Specialist (L2) – Planning and
Performance, Te Tari Taake | Inland Revenue



*UC Education has been training
teaching and educational
professionals for over*

135 YEARS

Education and Teaching. Youth and Community Leadership

UC is committed to excellence in teacher education, educational studies, and youth and community leadership. We will equip you to make a positive difference in the lives of children and adults, and their communities.

Practical learning

As part of your learning experience at UC, you will undertake professional practical placements to build teaching and management skills, and connect with students and community.

Learn from the best

Our lecturers are national and global leaders and we lead with research on student engagement in learning; education leadership and policy; development for teachers; children's language and literacy learning; and culturally responsive practices, inclusivity, and equity in education and e-learning.

Innovative teaching-learning environments

Understand how digital technologies can be best used to create student-centred practices that enhance student learning.

MORE

96% Employment rate for education students*

250 Top 250 in the world for Education**

25k CHCH101 students have completed 25,000 hours of community service

1-7 weeks spent in schools for each teaching placement

* Graduate destination survey, 2020.

** QS World University Rankings by Subject, 2023



Undergraduate programmes

Teacher Education

We offer many programmes that allow you to apply to become a certified teacher in New Zealand.

Ako: Bachelor of Teaching and Learning

This degree has two internationally-recognised endorsements:

- Early Childhood Education
- Primary Education.

Professional placements and te ao Māori courses allows you to build bicultural knowledge into your teaching practices.

The programme meets the requirements to apply for provisional teacher registration with the Teaching Council of New Zealand.

Graduate diplomas

We also have two graduate diplomas that allow you to apply to become a certified teacher in New Zealand:

- Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Early Childhood)
- Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning – endorsed in Primary or Secondary education.

These are one-year, undergraduate programmes for those who already have a bachelor's degree.

Applications

Applications for teaching qualifications close on **31 October**. Many of our teaching qualifications have limited numbers and applications may close early if capacity has been reached. Special requirements apply if English is not your first language

Youth and Community Leadership

The Bachelor of Youth and Community Leadership build on UC's reputation in youth-led social action and offers real-world leadership and project experience. Become an agile leader, connect for change, engage with the community, and do something that matters with this degree.

Ako: Bachelor of Teaching and Learning (Early Childhood Education) – example degree structure

Year 1

AKOT 100	AKOT 101	AKOA 161	100 Level					
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Year 2

AKOA 261	AKOA 262	AKOT 231	200 Level				
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Year 3

300 Level							
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Zero-points, zero-fees courses
 Compulsory courses
 Endorsement courses

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Early Childhood) – typical diploma structure

Year 1

TEPI 361	TEPI 362	TEPP 361	TEPP 362	TECE 358	TECE 359	TECE 361	TECE 362	TECE 364	TECE 365
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Professional Studies
 Professional Practice
 Curriculum studies

Each small block represents a 15-point course.

Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Secondary) – typical diploma structure

Year 1

TEPI 313	TEPI 314	TEPI 315	TEPI 316	TEPP 313	TEPP 314	TECS 333	TECS 334	TECS 335	TECS 336 or 337 ¹
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Professional Studies
 Professional Practice
 Secondary Education Endorsement

¹Select TECS336 or TECS337; or a TECP (primary level) course; or another approved course at 100-level or above that supports teaching.



Bachelor of Youth and Community Leadership – example degree structure

Year 1

YACL 101	CHCH 101	EDUC 101 or 102 or POLS103	100 Level				
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Year 2

YACL 201	EDUC 206	CULT202 or EDUC204 or INOV290	200 Level	200 Level	200 Level	200 Level	100 Level
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Year 3

EDUC 302 or 339	YACL 301	YACL 302	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	200 Level
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Compulsory courses
 Elective courses
 Courses from Arts or other degrees

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Postgraduate programmes

UC Education offers a range of postgraduate programmes. Key areas of research and research hubs include:

- A Better Start
- Learning Environments
- Digital Education Futures Lab
- Language and Literacy Research lab
- Teacher learning and Innovations in Practice Research Hub
- UC Community Engagement Hub
- UC Child Wellbeing Research Institute



“The reason why I chose UC is that the programmes in the Faculty of Education are excellent! The professors give me more than enough time to think and explore the content of the given topic.”

Yuanzhen Cao

China

Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Teacher qualifications

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Cost per year
Ako: Bachelor of Teaching and Learning	Level 7 qualification – consists of coursework and 120 days of professional practice in centres or schools.	Feb	3 years	360	\$32,800
Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Early Childhood)	Level 7 qualification for graduates interested in training to become an early childhood teacher – consists of coursework and 80 days of professional practice in schools.	Jan	1 year	150	\$33,000
Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning	Level 7 qualification – consists of coursework and 80 days of professional practice in schools. The endorsements are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary education • Secondary education. For the Secondary endorsement, students must have studied to 300-level in a secondary curriculum subject area.	Jan	1 year	150	\$33,000

Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Postgraduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning	This level 8 qualification consists of coursework and 80 days of professional practice in schools. (C). The endorsements are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary education • Secondary education. For the Secondary endorsement, students must have studied to 300 or 400-level in a secondary curriculum subject area.	Jan	1 year	150	\$40,500
Master of Teaching and Learning	This level 9 qualification consists of coursework and 80 days of professional practice in schools. (C). The endorsements are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary education • Secondary education. For the Secondary endorsement, students must have studied to 300 or 400-level in a secondary curriculum subject area.	Jan	13 months NOTE: MTchgLn is completed in January of the following year.	180	\$48,600

Successful completion of one of the above teaching qualifications enables you to apply for teacher registration in New Zealand.

Youth and Community Leadership programmes

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Points	Cost per year
Bachelor of Youth and Community Leadership	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$34,150

Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Postgraduate Diploma in Youth and Community Leadership	Here you will examine leadership theories in order to justify your own approaches to leadership practice. It includes features of Māori and Pasifika leadership, leadership as partnering, and youth and community leadership in a global context.	Feb	1 year	120	\$36,800

Other Education degrees

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Postgraduate Diploma in Education	This diploma is designed to improve professional practice and examine critically significant issues in education. (C) The degree can be endorsed in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Education Futures (Distance learning) Inclusive and Special Education Leadership (Distance learning) Literacy Teaching and Learning Languages Tertiary Teaching (if already employed in tertiary teaching). 	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,800
Master of Education	This degree pathway can be completed by coursework alone or by coursework and thesis. (C) or (C+R) The degree can be endorsed in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Education Futures (Distance learning) Early Years* Inclusive and Special Education Leadership (Distance learning) Literacy Teaching and Learning Languages Tertiary Teaching (if already employed in tertiary teaching). 	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$55,200
Master of Education (Thesis)	A thesis qualification that allows students to demonstrate advanced knowledge in their field of educational research; or 30 points research methods and 90 points thesis. February or July intake for the research methods. (R) You must have a Postgraduate Diploma in Education (or equivalent) before being eligible to apply for this qualification.	First day of month	1–2 years	120	\$36,800
Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages	A professional qualification aimed at producing skilful English language educators for a wide variety of educational settings. This programme will give you the skills, knowledge, and capabilities to adapt to English language developments, as well as technological and pedagogical advances. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	180	\$48,600

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Master of Education

The Master of Education (MEd) allows a pathway for teachers, educational professionals, counsellors, and leaders to gain a master’s level qualification examining practice and critical issues in education.

Those interested in a research-focused programme of study may consider the Master of Education (Thesis).

Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

The Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MTESOL) is a one-year professional qualification aimed at producing skillful English language educators for a wide variety of educational settings in the 21st century, from early childhood through to tertiary level.

With its future focus, this Master’s programme will give you the skills, knowledge, and capabilities to be adaptable in the face of future English language developments, as well as technological and pedagogical advances.

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Doctor of Education	Aimed at Education professionals and other related fields. You will synthesise theory and address questions of professional practice while further developing your leadership capacities. It is completed in 2 parts – Part 1 can only be completed part-time over 2 years. (R)	1 March	4–6 Years	360	\$36,800 per 120 points
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	First day of month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

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AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND'S PREMIER SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Engineering, Forestry, and Product Design

Founded in 1887 as the first school of Engineering in Aotearoa New Zealand, UC Engineering is internationally recognised for excellence in teaching and research, and high calibre graduates.

As well as its elite ranking in Civil and Structural Engineering, UC Engineering offers innovative programmes tailored to careers in the real world, with study options in different types of Engineering plus our unique qualifications in Global Humanitarian Engineering, Forestry Science, and Product Design. UC has close links with numerous local companies, which presents the opportunity for students to work alongside them and gain vital 'on the job' experience as part of their study.

MORE

100

Top 100 – Civil and Structural Engineering*

800

hours of practical work are part of undergraduate engineering and forestry degrees

\$163M

state-of-the-art laboratories and teaching spaces

* QS World University Rankings by subject, 2024.



Undergraduate programmes

Bachelor of Engineering with Honours (BE(Hons))

This degree is fully accredited by Engineering NZ, meaning it is benchmarked with other engineering programmes worldwide. Our programme is internationally recognised – a ticket to a career that can take you around the world.

The first year is comprised of courses which vary depending on which discipline you want to specialise in. Your first year is followed by three years of specialised study. Entry into the disciplines is limited and based on your first year's performance.

Disciplines

Chemical and Process Engineering

Minors: Bioprocess Engineering, Environmental Process Engineering, Sustainable Energy Engineering

Civil Engineering

Minors: Structural Engineering, Water and Environmental Systems Engineering

Computer Engineering

Minor: Communications and Network Engineering

Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Minor: Power Engineering

Forest Engineering

Mechanical Engineering

Minors: Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Engineering

Mechatronics Engineering

Software Engineering

Engineering degree conjoint options:

Engineering conjoint degrees require an overall combined 675 points, with at least 405 points from the Engineering degree and at least 255 points from a second degree (plus another 15 points from either degree), and at least a minimum sustained Grade Point Average of B.

The conjoint degree combinations currently offered at UC are:

Bachelor of Engineering with Honours – example degree structure

Year 1

ENGR 100	ENGR 101	EMTH 118	EMTH 119	COSC 131	PHYS 101	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

ENGR 200	Engineering discipline courses							
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Year 3

ENGR 200	Engineering discipline courses							
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Year 4

ENGR 200	Engineering discipline courses							
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Zero-points, zero-fees courses
 Compulsory courses
 Engineering discipline courses
 Other courses from Engineering or other subjects (depending on discipline)

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

BE(Hons) in Chemical and Process Engineering with:

- Bachelor of Commerce (Operation and Supply Chain Management)
- Bachelor of Product Design (Chemical Formulation Design)
- Bachelor of Science (Chemistry and Environment)
- Bachelor of Science (Medicinal Chemistry)

BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering with:

- Bachelor of Commerce, (Operation and Supply Chain Management)
- Bachelor of Science (Geography) Coastal and River Themes
- Bachelor of Science (Biological Science) – Ecology and Ecosystem Pathway
- Bachelor of Science (Geology)

BE(Hons) in Mechanical Engineering with:

- Bachelor of Data Science (Business Analytics)
- Bachelor of Data Science
- Bachelor of Commerce (Operation and Supply Chain Management)
- Bachelor of Product Design (Industrial Product Design)

BE(Hons) in Mechanical Engineering (Biomedical) with:

- Bachelor of Sport
- Bachelor of Health Science

BE(Hons) in Software Engineering with:

- Bachelor of Commerce, (Operation and Supply Chain Management)*
- Bachelor of Commerce, (Management)

Bachelor of Product Design

A Bachelor of Product Design combines design, science, engineering, and business studies. You'll gain the skills to design and develop new products that solve problems for home, business, and industry.

From creating a kayak or phone app, to formulating medicinal products or a virtual training world, you'll be equipped to work in a range of occupations and industries.

Majors

Applied Immersive Game Design

Chemical Formulation Design

Digital Product Design

Industrial Product Design

Bachelor of Forestry Science

Forestry Science is a professional degree that prepares you for managing forest resources by combining science with management, commerce, and technology.

Practical work is a key component of the degree with regular field trips and 90 days of work experience undertaken in the forestry industry.

Bachelor of Product Design – example degree structure

Year 1

PROD 101	PROD110 or ENGR101	MATH or EMTH 100 Level	MGMT 100	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

PROD 200 Level	PROD 200 Level	PROD 200 Level	PROD 200 Level	200 Level	200 Level	MKTG 100
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Year 3

PROD 300 Level	PROD 300 Level	PROD 300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	200 or 300 Level ¹	200 or 300 Level ¹
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■ Compulsory courses ■ Major courses

¹ 200 or 300-level courses from MGMT, MKTG, ECON, FINC, INOV, BSNS, or ACCT. Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Bachelor of Forestry Science – example degree structure

Year 1

FORE 111	FORE 131	FORE 141	FORE 151	BIOL 112	STAT 101	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

FORE 200	FORE 205	FORE 215	FORE 218	FORE 219	FORE 222	FORE 224	SOIL 203
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Year 3

FORE 307	FORE 316	FORE 327	FORE 342	400 Level
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Year 4

FORE 419	FORE 422	FORE 447	400 Level	400 Level	400 Level	FORE 414
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■ Zero-points, zero-fees courses ■ Compulsory courses ■ Elective courses ■ Courses from Science or other degrees ■ Dissertation for honours students only

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.



“The reason I chose UC is that I am able to study in more detail the project management field. UC helped me make a soft-landing. While studying construction management at UC, I was able to learn about the construction industry situation in NZ, and connect my prior knowledge with NZ’s codes and standards. It is very helpful to me working in NZ.”

Jongmin

Korea

Master of Civil Engineering with an endorsement in Construction Management
KiwiRail Project Manager, KiwiRail Ltd

Postgraduate programmes

UC offers both coursework and research-based qualifications and doctoral degrees.

Our award-winning lecturers and researchers, in topics from earthquakes to renewable energy, are among world leaders in developing new technology and responses.

Students also benefit from our strong industry links to establish their professional network.

Key research centres include:

- Electric Power Engineering Centre (EPE Centre)
- Human Interface Technology Laboratory (HIT Lab NZ)
- Wireless Research Centre
- Spatial Engineering Research Centre
- UC Quake Centre
- QuakeCORE
- Wood Technology Research Centre.

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees per year (120 points)
Bachelor of Engineering with Honours	A 4-year degree that allows graduates to work globally as professionally qualified engineers.	Feb	4 years	480	\$45,700 (first year) \$49,000 (2–4 year)
Bachelor of Forestry Science	A professional degree that prepares graduates for managing forest resources by combining core science courses with management, commerce, and technology.	Feb or July	4 years	480	\$41,438
Bachelor of Product Design	An interdisciplinary degree that combines creative design with engineering, science, and business studies.	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$43,488

Graduate and postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Aerospace Engineering	Gain knowledge and skills in Aerospace Engineering, combining a thesis and coursework. You will learn about aerospace technologies and processes, and be introduced to the global impact of the aerospace industry, including contemporary practice in professional ethics, legal, environmental, and safety guidelines.	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$49,900 (120 points)
Master of Architectural Engineering	Gain professional, work-ready, collaborative building design skills, and advanced training in selected areas of building design. This degree also caters for practitioners wanting to upskill. (C) The degree can be endorsed in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Services and Energy Engineering • Integrated Building Design • Structural Engineering. 	Feb or Aug	1 year	120	\$49,900
Master of Civil Engineering	This is a taught postgraduate programme that enhances an engineer's knowledge and skills, improving their prospects for career progression. (C) Endorsements are offered in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction Management • Earthquake Engineering • Geotechnical Engineering • Renewable Energy • Structural Engineering • Structural Fire Engineering • Transportation Engineering • Water Engineering. MCivilEng also includes an Indigenous Consultation and Engagement workshop.	Feb Some July — see website	1 year	120	\$49,900
Master of Engineering	This degree aims to provide a research-focused learning environment where you can develop independent problem-solving skills through research. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bioengineering (R) • Chemical and Process Engineering (R) • Civil Engineering (C+R) • Construction Management (C+R) • Earthquake Engineering (C+R) • Electrical and Electronic Engineering (R) • Mechanical Engineering (R) • Software Engineering (R) • Transportation Engineering (R). 	Varies — see website	1–3 years	120–165	\$49,900 (120 points) \$68,613 (165 points)

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Artificial Intelligence (taught out of Science)	Learn and use advanced Artificial Intelligence (AI) theories, software, and tools. You will get to make real-world applications through project work in an area of AI.	Feb or July	1-1.5 years	180	\$65,700
Master of Engineering Management	This online programme is designed to meet the need for engineering managers in New Zealand. It focuses on project management, stakeholder engagement, and sustainability. This qualification offers small group classes, flexibility, close connections with industry, and the ability to apply integrated technical and business skills in an industry-based project. (C)	Feb or July	12-15 months	180	\$54,600
Master of Engineering in Fire Engineering	Fire engineers use science and engineering principles to protect people and their environment from fire. In the first half of the degree, students take courses in areas such as fire dynamics and fire safety and systems. Online learning allows for flexible study. The second half of the degree requires a thesis. (C+R)	Feb	16-36 months	210	\$49,900 per 120 points
Master of Engineering Studies	Master of Engineering Studies caters for professional engineers seeking advanced technical training, and is a taught master's degree with no thesis or research requirement. (C) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable Energy • Mechanical Engineering 	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$49,900
Master of Fire Engineering Studies	Explore testing and designing high-performance structures with sustainable and fire-durable materials. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$49,900
Master of Forestry Science	This degree will give you a head start into forest management, governance, or research at an advanced level. (C+R or R only)	Feb or July	1-3 years	120-240	\$45,200 per 120 points
Master of Human Interface Technology	Human Interface Technology aims to improve interactive technology to meet users' needs. You will develop specialist knowledge of interface design principles, the ability to evaluate hardware and software, and research and development skills. This qualification will prepare you for a career with wide application to areas such as health, education, entertainment, and business. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	120	\$49,900
Master of Mathematical Sciences	UC's Master of Mathematical Sciences offers flexible study to upskill in mathematics, computational and applied mathematics, and statistics. (C+R)	Feb or July	12-18 months	180	\$62,100 (180 points)
Master of Product Design	The Master of Product Design takes advantage of UC's research expertise in a range of commerce, IT, and engineering fields. You will gain advanced knowledge of product design practice, particularly related to your area of design specialisation. (C+R)	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$63,000
Master of Product Innovation	Open to students of any study background, the Master of Product Innovation is a perfect opportunity to access specialised facilities and industry experts at university while beginning to develop your own product or business ideas. (C)	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$63,000
Professional Master of Computer Science	This qualification is an application-focused programme providing advanced computer science theory and practice. (C)	Feb	1 year	180	\$65,700
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	First day of month	3-4 years	360	\$7,627-\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

(C) = coursework qualification; (R) = research qualification; (C+R) = coursework plus research qualification.





120-HOUR

*internship in your final year
of the Bachelor of Sport degree*

Health, Sport, and Social Work

Health is becoming more about wellness and prevention, with a stronger focus on community. Sport is not just about performance anymore, but wider participation — ultimately, it is all about people.

At UC, we recognise this shift, and prepare you for diverse roles, from frontline nurses; psychologists; sports coaches; social workers; and health promoters, policy makers, and managers. If you want to make a difference in your community, this study area is for you.

Why UC

Actively engaged lecturers

Our lecturers take a collaborative approach to teaching and engage with national and international experts from a range of health, social work, and sport disciplines.

Designed for the future

UC's multidisciplinary approach allows you to develop the skillsets that employers are seeking: collaboration, cultural responsiveness, and innovation. Time spent in internships, practice clinics, labs, and gyms prepares you for the workforce.

State of the art facilities

Our Sports Science, Biomechanics, and Strength and Conditioning laboratories provide you with a dynamic environment filled with sport-related technologies, testing, and performance equipment.

MORE

#1

UC is ranked first in New Zealand for research in Public Health*

26,500

The projected number of people employed in the sports and fitness sector by 2028**

120

You take part in a 120-hour internship in your final year of Sport degree

* Te Amorangi Mātauranga Matua | Tertiary Education Commission 2018 PBRF assessment

** mbie.govt.nz



Undergraduate programmes

Bachelor of Health Sciences

Key highlights:

- Smaller classes mean academic staff can work closely with you to help you achieve your goals.
- Option to study a minor from subjects across Arts, Commerce, Health Sciences, Science, Sports, and Youth and Community Leadership.
- Successful completion of the Public Health major means you meet the generic public health competencies and the health promotion competencies endorsed by Health Promotion Forum of New Zealand.

Subjects
Health Education
Physical Activity (minor)
Psychology
Public Health
Maori and Indigenous Health
Society and Policy (minor)

Bachelor of Sport

The Bachelor of Sport is a 3-year programme which offers a blend of practice and theory covering all aspects of sports and allows you to put your skills into practice with a 120-hour internship in your final year.

Subjects
Nutrition (Minor only)
Performance Data Analysis
Physical Activity and Wellbeing
Sport Coaching (Minor only)
Sport Coaching and Physical Education (Major only)
Sport Management (Minor only)
Te Ao Hākinakina
Sport Marketing and Management (Major only)

Bachelor of Health Sciences – example degree structure

Year 1

HLTH 101	HLTH 102	HLTH 106	BIOL 116	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

HLTH 203	MAOR 270	200 Level					
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Year 3

HLTH 301	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	200 Level
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■ Compulsory courses
 ■ Major courses
 ■ Courses from Health Sciences or other degrees

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Bachelor of Sport – example degree structure

Year 1

SPCO 101	SPCO 104	SPCO 105	SPCO 110	SPRT 108	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

SPCO 208	SPRT 203	200 Level	100 Level				
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Year 3

SPCO 308	SPCO 320	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	200 Level
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■ Compulsory courses
 ■ Major courses
 ■ Courses from Sport or other degrees

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.



“Every year, you get out to the real world and get involved.”

Shun

Japan

Bachelor of Sport Coaching in Sports Leadership and Management with a minor in Human Resource Management
Selected member, Crusaders Under-20 Rugby team

Bachelor of Social Work with Honours

Our Bachelor of Social Work with Honours is New Zealand's most established Social Work programme. This highly regarded interdisciplinary degree will engage you in theory and practice and prepare you for a wide range of work.

Bachelor of Social Work with Honours – example degree structure

Year 1

SOWK 101	SOWK 102	SOWK 104	HRSV 103	MAOR 108 or 165	100 Level	100 Level	100 Level
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Year 2

SOWK 202	SOWK 203	SOWK 205	SOWK 206	SOWK 212	MAOR 212	MAOR 219	200 Level
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Year 3

SOWK 301	SOWK 303	SOWK 304	SOWK 308	SOWK 340
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Year 4

SOWK 490	SOWK 491	SOWK 492
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■ Compulsory courses ■ Elective course

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Points	Cost per year
Bachelor of Health Sciences	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$40,413
Bachelor of Social Work with Honours	Feb	4 years	480	\$33,550
Bachelor of Sport	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$32,800– \$37,413

Postgraduate programmes

UC offers a variety of interdisciplinary postgraduate options that include clinical and non-clinical programmes. Increasingly, employment in the health sector requires postgraduate qualifications, particularly for senior roles.

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Postgraduate Diploma in Child and Family Psychology	A professional qualification, this Diploma is designed for students who wish to become registered child and family psychologists with the New Zealand Psychologists' Board. Entry is limited to 12 places – applications close on 1 October .	Feb	3 years	270	\$98,550
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Science	Aimed at people who are currently employed or seeking employment in a health-related field, the social services, or local or central government. Students complete a programme of advanced, specialised study and receive their qualification either unendorsed or endorsed in Environmental Health, Health Behaviour Change, Health Information Management, Health Leadership and Management, Nursing, Palliative Care, and Taha Hinengaro Health and Wellbeing Practice.	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$43,800
Postgraduate Diploma in Sport Science	Develop expertise in the sporting industry and upskill on sporting knowledge for further career opportunities.	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$43,800
Master of Science or PGDipSci plus Master of Arts	In Child and Family Psychology – go to canterbury.ac.nz/health/qualifications-and-courses/child-and-family-psychology	Feb	2 years	270	\$36,800 –\$43,800 per 120 points
Master of Counselling	This is the only master's counselling degree in the South Island and uses a solution-focused model of counselling. Students learn to identify and use systematic, effective ways to help clients. Entry is limited. Applications close 1st October . (C+R)	Feb	2–4 years	240	\$43,800 per 120 points

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Health Sciences	Students may either follow a general programme, or focus on a specialisation and receive their qualification endorsed in one of several areas, like health leadership and management. Involves a research component. (R)	Feb or July	2 years	240	\$43,800 per 120 points
Master of Health Sciences (Nursing)	This allows students with a Bachelor's degree to become a registered nurse. This full-time programme combines online and in-person learning as well as clinical placements in your area. Graduates may undertake the Nursing Council of New Zealand registration examination and apply to become a New Zealand registered nurse. NZ-registered nurses can automatically register in Australia and apply for registration to work in many other countries.	Feb	2 years	240	\$43,800 per 120 points
Master of Health Sciences Professional Practice	Coursework-based master's can be awarded unendorsed or endorsed in Environment and Health, Health and Community, Health Behaviour Change, Health Information Management, Health Leadership and Management and Palliative Care. (C)	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$65,700 (180 points)
Master of Social Work	This degree is ideal for those with specialist practice, supervisory, management, or policy analysis and development responsibilities.	First day of month	1 year	120	\$32,400
Master of Social Work (Applied)	Allows those with an approved social science degree to complete a recognised professional qualification. The programmes can be completed on a part-time basis. (C+R)	Feb	2 years	240	\$32,400 per 120 points
Master of Sport Science	This Master's offers sport science research insights from experts within and outside of UC, in areas such as high performance exercise physiology and biomechanics. (C+R)	Feb or July	18 months	180	\$65,700
Doctor of Health Sciences	The Doctor of Health Sciences consists of a research portfolio and thesis. (R)	Feb	4–6 years	360	\$43,800 per 120 points
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	First day of month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

(C) = coursework qualification; (R) = research qualification; (C+R) = coursework plus research qualification.



“People with completely different culture, language, beliefs, ethnicity, and sexuality come together and study. I loved seeing how students brought different perspectives to the discussion and challenged and expanded my knowledge.”

Momoka

Japan

Master of Health Sciences Professional Practice endorsed in Nursing

Registered Nurse, Timaru



**LAW INTERNSHIPS
LET YOU GAIN
SKILLS THROUGH
COMMUNITY AND
CLINICAL WORK
EXPERIENCE**

Law

UC Law is one of Aotearoa New Zealand’s leading law schools — consistently ranking in the top 250 law schools worldwide — and combines academic and practical legal skills.

We have a strong reputation in traditional areas of law and offer innovative courses investigating the ways law intersects with Antarctica, the media, sport, and medicine.

Our unique Criminal Justice qualifications also have a strong vocational focus, and can lead to careers in law enforcement, corrections, offender rehabilitation, working with young offenders, criminal law, security, and border control.

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UC Law has been producing outstanding legal graduates for 140+ years

1st

UC Bachelor of Criminal Justice degree is the 1st of its kind in Aotearoa New Zealand

250

UC Law is ranked in the Top 250 worldwide*

* QS World University Rankings by subject 2023.



“I choose UC for its strong academic reputation.”

Eric
Malaysia
Bachelor of Laws
Associate, Layburn Hodgins Barrister and Solicitor

Undergraduate programmes

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

The Bachelor of Laws degree (LLB) is a professional 4-year degree. The content of the compulsory courses is prescribed by the New Zealand Council of Legal Education (NZCLE) and meets the criteria set by this organisation for courses of study that qualify for the examination and practical legal training of persons wishing to be admitted as barristers and solicitors in Aotearoa New Zealand.

In the first year, you will study two core courses designed to teach you about the legal systems in Aotearoa and build your foundational skills in legal research and writing. With good grades in LAWS101 and LAWS110 (normally at least a B), you can advance into 200-level Law courses, all of which are subject to limited entry.

From third year, you will be able to customise your study to focus on different areas of the law, including:

- Corporate and Commercial Law
- Criminal Justice and Rights
- Employment and Dispute Resolution
- General Legal Practice
- Media Law
- International Law
- Property and Resources
- Constitutional Law.

You will also need to also study five non-Law courses in the first year of your degree.

Bachelor of Criminal Justice

Bachelor of Criminal Justice is a 3-year programme which involves understanding the law and psychology behind crime, its causes, and the treatment of convicted offenders. UC is the only University in New Zealand that offers a degree in criminal justice with innovative practical teaching.

Bachelor of Laws – example degree structure

Year 1

LAWS 101	LAWS 110	100 Level				
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Year 2

LAWS 203	LAWS 204	LAWS 205	LAWS 206
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Year 3

LAWS 202	LAWS 301	300 Level				
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Year 4

300 Level							
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Compulsory courses
 Elective courses
 Non-Law courses

Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Bachelor of Criminal Justice – example degree structure

Year 1

CRJU 101	CRJU 150 ¹	CRJU 160 ¹	HSRV 103	HSRV 104	PSYC 105	PSYC 106	MAOR 108 or 120 or 165
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Year 2

CRJU 201	CRJU 202 ²	MAOR 219	HSRV 210	SOCI 293	PHIL 139	200 Level	200 Level ³
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Year 3

CRJU 301	CRJU 302	300 Level	300 Level	300 Level	200 Level	200 Level
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Compulsory courses
 Elective courses

¹ Students enrolling in the LLB/BCJ double degree will enrol in LAWS101 instead of CRJU150 and CRJU160.

² Students enrolling in the LLB/BCJ double degree will enrol in LAWS202 instead of CRJU202.

³ If LAWS202 taken, then 45 points from the 200-level electives. If CRJU202 taken, then 60 points from the 200-level electives.

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“The Law degree at UC is great as the lecturers are the authorities for their respective legal fields in NZ.”

Santanna

Malaysia

Bachelor of Laws

Corporate Finance Solicitor, Holland Beckett Law

Postgraduate programmes

UC offers a wide range of opportunities for postgraduate studies and is ranked as one of the world's top 250 law schools. UC Law has a strong reputation in the fields of international law and governance and offers a master's programme in International Law and Politics.

Master of Laws (LLM)

The LLM by thesis gives you the flexibility to thoroughly research an area of particular interest. A thesis is a significant piece of research of 35,000 to 50,000 words.

LLM students develop in-depth expertise in particular fields of legal specialisation, broaden their knowledge in a range of legal subjects, and combine law study with related disciplines. You will get the chance to undertake research under the supervision of expert staff in the Law team

You must have a Bachelor of Laws with a minimum B+ grade average.

Master of Laws (International Law and Politics)

This is a one-year programme designed for Law graduates to meet a growing interest in multi-disciplinary study in international law and politics. Our graduates work for international organisations such as the United Nations, government departments such as foreign ministries, international law firms, and international non-governmental organisations. Students take courses in international law and international politics plus a dissertation.

You must have a Bachelor of Laws with a minimum B grade average.

Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Points	Cost per year
Bachelor of Laws	Feb	4 years	480	\$37,150
Bachelor of Criminal Justice	Feb	3 years	360	\$36,475

Graduate and Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Criminal Justice	The Master of Criminal Justice is a relevant qualification for those seeking employment in a range of criminal justice sector occupations and professions, including Police, Corrections, the Ministry of Justice, and in policy development and social service roles. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$55,200
Master of Laws (International Law and Politics)	Designed for students who wish to develop specialist knowledge in international law and politics. Students take courses in international law and international politics, plus a dissertation. The degree prepares students for careers in the diplomatic service, specialised legal practice, government, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, and the military. While a July start is possible, we encourage students to start in February if possible as the two compulsory courses for the degree are offered in Semester One. (C+R)	Feb or July	1–2 years	120	\$36,400
Master of Laws	The Master of Laws (LLM) degree offers a choice of over 40 topics for specialised research where you can study by thesis alone. In certain circumstances and with approval, students enrolled for the LLM by Thesis can transfer to the PhD degree. If you are interested in the LLM by Thesis, then please send a research proposal (approx. 500 words) so that we can see if we have supervisory capacity. (R)	Start anytime	1 year	120	\$42,200
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	First day of month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

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Science

UC's convenient location provides a living laboratory for our science students' work. Lab and field work can be part of your studies from day one.

Purpose-built facilities

As well as extensive science laboratories, research hubs and field stations, UC has:

- A Regional Science and Innovation Centre
- On-site clinics
- 24-hour computer labs
- An Engineering and Physical Sciences library.

Learn in the field

UC Science has more field stations than any other New Zealand university, with more than 30 field trips each year.

- Our courses make extensive use of our field stations in Cass, Harihari, and Westport.
- We operate New Zealand's leading astronomical observatory at Mount John.
- UC Science also runs an experiential weekend as part of UC's Study Abroad programme, you'll have the opportunity to discover Aotearoa New Zealand's spectacular South Island.
- UC also has research connections with Antarctica and Nigeria.



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HECTARES**

UC's Cass Mountain Research Area is the largest university-owned and operated high-country teaching and research area in Aotearoa

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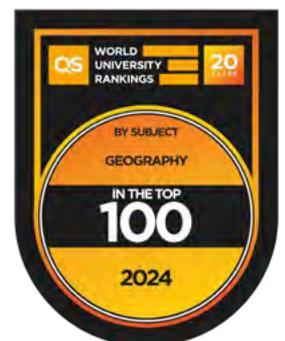
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Top 100 in the world for Geography*

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Top 200 in the world for Earth and Marine Science, Geology, and Geophysics*

* QS World University Rankings by subject, 2023



Accreditations

We offer top science qualifications, illustrated by our numerous accreditations:

Programme	Organisation
Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours	Environmental Institute of Australia and New Zealand
Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences	Royal Society of Biology (UK)
Bachelor of Speech and Language Pathology with Honours	New Zealand Speech-Language Therapists' Association
Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology	NZ College of Clinical Psychologists
Master of Audiology	NZ Audiological Society
Master of Science in Medical Physics	The Australasian College of Physical Scientists and Engineers in Medicine
Master of Speech and Language Pathology	New Zealand Speech-Language Therapists' Association







Undergraduate programmes

Bachelor of Science

The 3-year Bachelor of Science degree lets you to mix and match across a range of subjects. Choose from 19 Science majors plus minors and courses from other subject areas to give you the opportunity to design your own future.



“No day is ever the same, you work on great projects, and most importantly you build lasting friendships.”

Shimon Endo

Japan
Bachelor of Science
Forensic Scientist, Institute of Environmental Science and Research Limited (ESR)

Bachelor of Science – example degree structure

Year 1

SCIE 101	100 Level						
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Year 2

200 Level	100 Level						
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Year 3

300 Level	200 Level	200 Level					
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Compulsory courses
 Major courses
 Other Science courses
 Courses from Science or other degrees

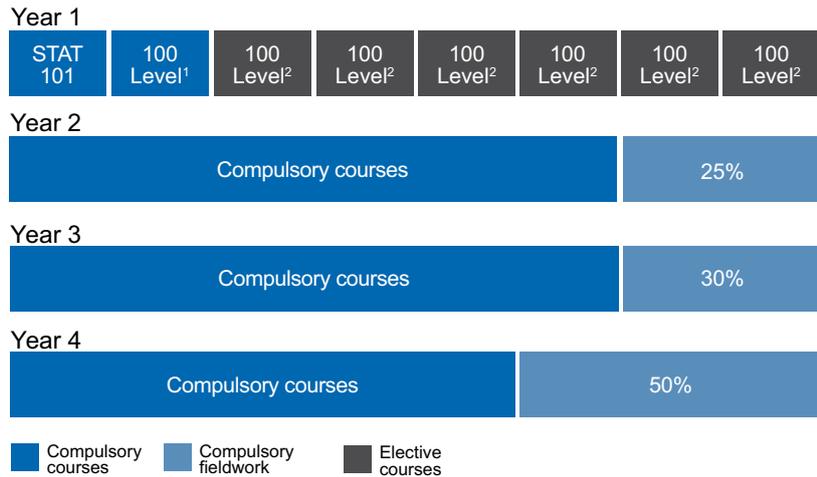
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Majors	
Astronomy	Geology
Biochemistry	Linguistics
Biological Sciences	Mathematical Sciences Education
Chemistry	Mathematics
Computer Science	Medicinal Chemistry
Economics	Philosophy
Environmental Science	Physics
Finance	Psychology
Financial Engineering	Statistics
Geography	

Bachelor of Speech and Language Pathology with Honours

The BSLP(Hons) is a highly regarded, professional degree accredited by the New Zealand Speech-language Therapists' Association (NZSTA). Students have the opportunity to work with people of all ages at clinics on campus, nationally, and overseas. Fieldwork accounts up to 50% of your coursework depending on the year of study. Entry into the professional years of the degree is based on your grade point average from year 1, a personal statement and interview, and your fluency in English.

Bachelor of Speech and Language Pathology with Honours – example degree structure



¹ Take at least one of the following: MAOR165; TREO110; TREO111; MAOR172; HLTH106.

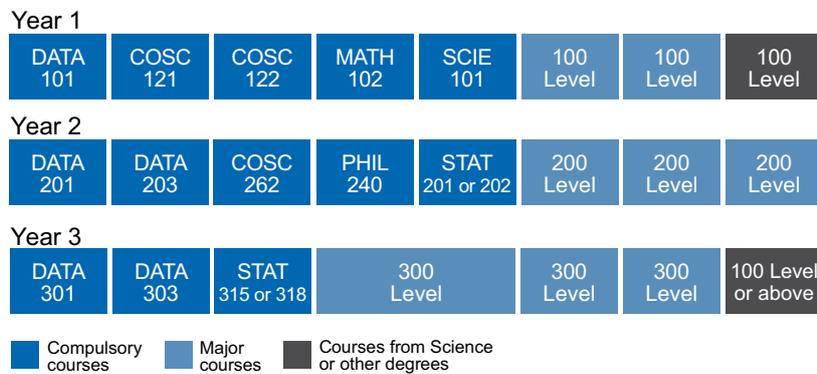
² You can choose courses from other degrees to make up 120 points. Some courses are recommended.

Bachelor of Data Science

The first year of your degree introduces you to programming, mathematics, statistics, and computer science. You will do lab work and group projects. In the final year, you complete a research project aimed at solving a particular industry or community problem.

Majors
Bioinformatics
Business Analytics
Computational Linguistics
Data Science
Population Health Data Science
Spatial Data Science

Bachelor of Data Science – example degree structure



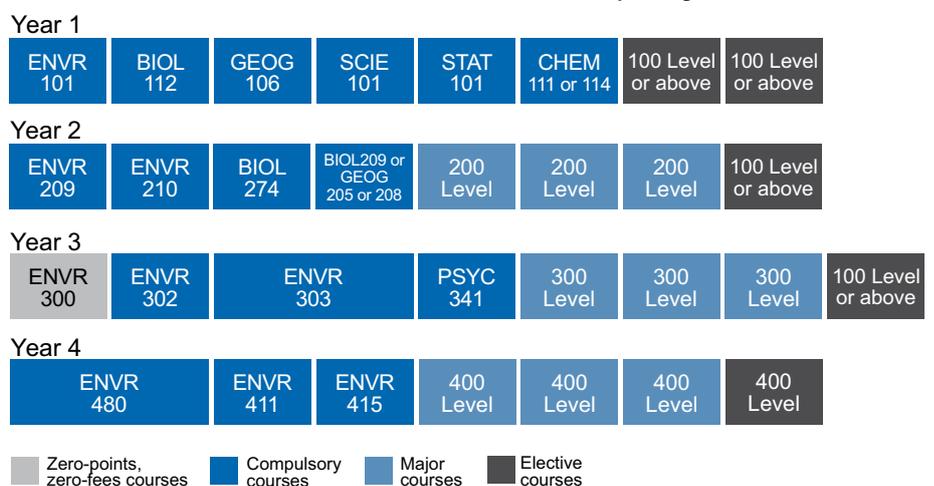
Each small block represents a 15-point course. However, some courses may be 30 points or more.

Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours

The Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours is accredited by the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand (EIANZ). It is a career-focused degree that will prepare you with skills to solve environmental and sustainability challenges.

Majors
Ecosystem Health and Biosecurity
Environmental Change
Environmental Contamination
Environmental Hazards and Disasters
Freshwater
Sustainable Coasts

Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours – example degree structure



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Undergraduate programmes

Qualification	Intakes	Duration	Points	Cost per year
Bachelor of Science	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$41,500
Bachelor of Speech and Language Pathology with Honours	Feb	4 years	480	\$40,713
Bachelor of Data Science	Feb or July	3 years	360	\$40,544
Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours	Feb or July	4 years	480	\$40,413

Graduate and Postgraduate programmes

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Bachelor of Science with Honours	A one year full-time programme of study that includes a 30 point research project undertaken in the major subject of the degree. This can be a helpful introduction to developing research skills for further study. (C+R)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$43,800
Graduate Diploma in Science	This Diploma is designed for graduates seeking to qualify for other postgraduate qualifications in science, or to extend or upgrade their existing qualification/s. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$41,500
Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Data Science	Applied Data Science caters for students who wish to build their data science capabilities and combine these with the skills and knowledge acquired from previous studies. This can add to employability and career prospects. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$36,400
Postgraduate Diploma in Geospatial Data Science*	Provides experience and knowledge of geospatial science and technology. Graduates will be prepared for entry-level geospatial roles, and also for further postgraduate study. (C)	Feb	1 year	120	\$43,800
Postgraduate Diploma in Science	This qualification builds on subjects that you took at undergraduate level. It can be used for professional development, or if you want more in depth knowledge in a particular area. (C)	Feb or July	1 year	120	\$43,800
Master of Antarctic Studies	Combining work with an Antarctic partner organisation, coursework, and an Antarctic-related research dissertation, you will gain a 360-degree view of Antarctic issues. Ideal for careers requiring a solid background in Antarctic science or policy. (C+R)	Nov	1 year	180	\$71,257
Master of Applied Data Science	A qualification for students who wish to build their data science capabilities and combine these with the skills and knowledge acquired from previous studies.	Feb or July	1 year	180	\$62,100
Master of Artificial Intelligence	UC's Master of Artificial Intelligence (MAI) allows you to build on previous studies in computing and venture into the field of AI engineering and innovation. (C+R)	Feb or July	1 year	180	\$65,700
Master of Audiology	Focuses on training professional clinical audiologists with an emphasis on the development of clinical and administrative skills relating to the practice of audiology. (C+R)	Feb	2 years	240	\$43,800 per 120 points
Master of Disaster Risk and Resilience	This Professional Master's degree provides an introduction to a rapidly evolving interdisciplinary field. Students will gain an understanding of current disaster risk and resilience research and practice fields; disaster risk drivers, risk communication, and disaster risk reduction strategies; and disaster resilience-building theory and practices. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$62,100 (180 points)

Qualification	Description	Intake	Duration	Points	Tuition fees
Master of Financial Engineering	This cross-disciplinary degree directly links real-world problems in financial engineering to an underlying theoretical framework. Graduates are capable of high-level performance in the financial industry. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$62,100
Master of Science	The MSc usually consists of coursework and thesis, allowing students to conduct independent and original research in over 30 subjects. (C+R) See a full list of our 30+ MSc subjects at canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-science	varies	1–2 years	240	\$43,800 per 120 points
Master of Speech and Language Pathology	This professional qualification is accredited by the New Zealand Speech-Language Therapists' Association. It includes clinical experience with clients of all ages. Study areas include swallowing, fluency and voice, clinical linguistics, and speech and language development and disorders. (C+R)	Feb	2 years	240	\$41,400 per 120 points
Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal	This Master's focuses on how communities respond to challenges that cities are facing around the world. Students will engage with community groups and local government through coursework and a research project. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$65,700
Master of Water Science and Management	Students will gain specialist knowledge, the ability to work in interdisciplinary teams and experience in community engagement. Graduates will be prepared to work as water scientists and decision makers in the public and private sectors. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$43,800 per 120 points
Professional Master of Computer Science	Designed to provide advanced subject knowledge in computer science, this applied degree enables upskilling in the theory and application of advanced computer science.	Feb	1 year	180	\$65,700
Professional Master of Engineering Geology	The only programme of its kind in Australasia. Engineering Geology is a multidisciplinary area applying geological sciences to engineering work, identifying and mitigating geological hazards, and aspects of land-use planning.	Feb	1 year	180	\$62,100
Professional Master of Geospatial Data Science*	Equips professionals with the advanced skills required for geospatial leadership roles. (C+R)	Feb	1 year	180	\$65,700
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	The PhD comprises advanced research presented in a thesis. (R)	First day of month	3–4 years	360	\$7,627–\$9,186 per 120 points (2024 fees)

* subject to Te Amorangi Mātauranga Matua | Tertiary Education Commission approval
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Getting to UC



Am I eligible?



Studying at university will be one of the most rewarding challenges you will ever face. At UC, we aim to make it easy and achievable.



How do I gain admission to UC?

There are two main entry requirements to get into UC:

- English language entry requirements
- Academic entry requirements.

English language entry requirements

Before starting your degree at UC, you need to provide evidence of your English skills. You have met the language requirements if you have:

- National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA), Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), or International Baccalaureate (IB) qualifications that meet the New Zealand University Entrance (UE) standard literacy requirements for admission.
- an overseas entrance qualification from a country where the main language is English and the instruction for the qualification was also in English.

If you do not have the above, you will be required to perform well in one of the approved English language tests listed.

Approved English language test scores for entry to UC

To study at UC...	IELTS (Academic)	TOEFL (iBT)	English for Academic Purposes (EAP) at CCEL	PEARSONS (Academic)
Undergraduate programmes*	6.0 overall (no section < 5.5)	80 overall with 19 in RD, WR, LS	EAP 2 grade C+	Overall score of 50 (no section < 42)
Graduate Diploma and postgraduate programmes*	6.5 overall (no section < 6.0)	90 overall with 19 in RD, WR, LS	EAP 2 grade B+	Overall score of 58 (no section < 50)

* Some programmes may require higher test scores. For example, students need to give proof of an IELTS (academic) result (or approved equivalent) of at least 7.0 overall, with no band score below 7.0, for entry into teacher education programmes.



UC Undergraduate entry requirements

Undergraduate degree

Education system	Entry requirements for undergraduate study
AUSTRALIA	Year 12 Certificate and ATAR of 74 or higher; or Queensland OP at 12 or lower; or UNSW Foundation — Average C grade (6.5) or better overall
BRAZIL	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Brazil
CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS. (CIE)	canterbury.ac.nz/enrol/eligibility
CANADA	canterbury.ac.nz/enrol/eligibility
CHINA	Completed Gaokao with a Tier One score from related provincial authorities; or Completed one year of successful study (70% average) towards a four-year bachelor's degree at a recognised university; or Completed a Diploma from a recognised university requiring no less than two years to complete (70% average, the Diploma must have sufficient academic content. Applications are considered on a case by case basis)
FIJI	Fiji Form Seven Examination/Fiji Year 13 Certificate: a total of at least 250 out of 400 over four relevant subjects, with a minimum of 50 in English USP Foundation Year: Successful completion of the USP Foundation Year programme with a grade average of B or higher, and no grades less than C, in the eight required courses
FRANCE	Baccalauréat Diploma
GCE 'A' LEVELS	3 A-levels with one A-level at Grade C or above. A result in General Studies cannot be included (Sri Lankan students should refer to Sri Lanka)
GERMANY	Abitur: Students who have achieved a grade of 13 in the English language paper of the Abitur examination are exempt from taking one of the standard English language tests as proof of their competence in English
HONG KONG	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education: Holders of the Diploma must present a score of 15, based on aggregate of the student's best five subjects (at an average Level 3 in each subject) from any combination of Core and Category A and C electives but excluding Category B (Applied Learning) subjects
INDIA	Completed 12 years of high school and achieved the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overall average of 75% in Indian School Certificate (ISC) from CISCE or All-India Senior School Certificate (AISSC) from CBSE with a minimum of 60% in English or • An overall academic score of 75% with a minimum English score of 60% from one of the following three Indian State Board Year 12 qualifications : Maharashtra, Karnataka and West Bengal or • An overall academic score of 80% with a minimum English score of 65% from all other Indian State Boards
INDONESIA	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised University in Indonesia; or Completion of SMU III with average score of 8.5 or more
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)	Successful completion of International Baccalaureate Diploma
JAPAN	One year of successful study toward an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Japan; or Completion of a Junior College Diploma of 2–3 years duration (Applicants with a Junior College Diploma are likely to gain admission to a general degree programme only); or High School Diploma with a minimum average 3.5
MALAYSIA	STPM: Three passes at Principal level (no lower than C) including one at B grade or better; or UEC: A maximum of 20 points over five academic subjects. (Calculated on the basis that A1 = 1 point, A2 = 2 points, B3 = 3 points etc) Students who have achieved a grade of 4B or better in O-level English (SPM1119) are exempt from taking one of the standard English language tests as proof of their competence in English Malaysian Matrikulation Certificate: Minimum GPA of 2.5. (Calculated on the basis that A=4.0, A-=3.67, B+=3.33, B=3.0, B-=2.67, C+=2.33, C=2.0, C-=1.67, D+=1.33, D=1.0, F=0)

Education system	Entry requirements for undergraduate study
AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND (University Entrance through NCEA)	NCEA Level 3 Three subjects — at Level 3 made up of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 credits in each of three approved subjects is required Literacy — 10 credits at Level 2 or above made up of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 credits in reading • 5 credits in writing Numeracy — 10 credits at Level 1 or above made up of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achievement standards — specified achievement standards available through a range of subjects, or • Unit standards — package of three numeracy unit standards (26623, 26626, 26627 — all three required)
PAKISTAN	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Pakistan
PHILIPPINES	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised University in the Philippines
RUSSIA	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Russia
SAUDI ARABIA	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Saudi Arabia; or Associate Degree with a GPA of 3.00/5.00 or 2.00/4.00 at a recognised institution
SINGAPORE	NUS High School Diploma or Singapore GCE A levels: a minimum of three H2 passes at C grade
SOLOMON ISLANDS	Three or more B grades in the South Pacific Form Seven Certificate All students must have grade 5 or better in PSSC English (for literacy) and grade 6 or better in PSSC maths (for numeracy)
SOUTH AFRICA	Applicants must have completed the National Senior Certificate and be eligible to enrol in a bachelor's degree at a South African university
SOUTH KOREA	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised Korean university; or Korean University Entrance Examination with a minimum acceptable score of 250
SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES	South Pacific Form 7 Certificate with 3 or more B grades in academic subjects with a minimum Grade 5 in PSSC English (for literacy) and Grade 6 in PSSC Maths (for numeracy)
SRI LANKA	canterbury.ac.nz/enrol/eligibility
TAIWAN	A satisfactory standard in Senior High School and a Junior College Diploma of at least two years' duration; or Junior High School and a five year Junior College Diploma; or One year of successful study toward an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Taiwan
THAILAND	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Thailand; or Completion of Matayom 6 with an average score of 3.2 or higher
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in UAE
UNITED KINGDOM	'A' and 'AS' levels GCSE sat in UK: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five subjects: 2 'A' + 3 GCSE at Grade C or above; or 2 'A' + 2 'AS' + 1 GCSE at Grade C or above; or 1 'A' + 2 'AS' + 2 GCSE at Grade C or above • Four subjects: 3 'A' + 1 GCSE at Grade C or above; or 3 'A' + 1 'AS'; or 2 'A' + 2 'AS'; or 4 'AS' • Three subjects: 1 'A' + 2 'AS' • Two subjects: 2 'A'
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	a) High School Diploma or a General Education Development Certificate (GED) with an overall minimum of 580 (145 in each of 4 subjects); and b) SAT result of at least 1160 or a composite ACT score of 24 or better (SAT scores below 1160 may be considered on a case-by-case basis) Note: this refers to the new SAT test which includes the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and Math Assessment; if you completed the previous SAT test, please contact the UC Global Engagement for details
VANUATU	Three or more B grades in the South Pacific Form Seven Certificate. All students must have grade 5 or better in VSSC English (for literacy) and grade 6 or better in VSSC maths (for numeracy)
VIETNAM	One year of successful study towards an undergraduate degree at a recognised university in Vietnam; or National High School Graduation Certificate with a GPA of 8.0

Please visit checkwhatyouneed.canterbury.ac.nz for the admission requirements to UC.

Pathways to UC

Pathway diagram



*UTP is equivalent to Year 1 of the relevant degree from UC. Successful students then pathway to Year 2.
 †Foundation Studies Certificate pathways to Year 1 of degree at UC or to UTP, dependent on grades.

English Pathway to UC

Christchurch College of English



Courses are delivered on campus in Christchurch. Programmes include General English, IELTS Preparation, and English for Academic Purposes (EAP).

Students who successfully complete an EAP 2 programme at CCEL (and meet University of Canterbury's (UC) academic entry requirements) may transfer to UC's degree programmes.

CCEL College of English

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 study@ccel.co.nz
 ccel.co.nz



Academic pathways to UC

UC International College (UCIC)



UC International College (UCIC) delivers direct and exclusive pathways for international students to the University of Canterbury. UCIC is proud to be celebrating 10 years of partnership with the University of Canterbury and 10 years of supporting international students in achieving success in their studies and beyond. All UCIC programmes are delivered on the University campus, giving students a university experience from day 1 of their journey. Upon successful completion of their UCIC programme, students will transfer into the first or second year of their UC degree.

UCIC programmes are moderated by UC to ensure the highest academic quality. UCIC offers a fully integrated pathway experience for international students.

Foundation Studies Certificate

The Foundation Studies Certificate (FSC) allows students to enter into the first year of any UC bachelors degree.

University Transfer Programme

The University Transfer Programme (UTP) allows students to transfer to Year 2 of their UC degree programme.

UCIC students can:

- live in halls of residence
- access UC resources including libraries, computer labs, recreation facilities, on-campus accommodation (for students 18 years or older), health services, and career services
- be part of a diverse and vibrant student community
- have access to 160+ student clubs
- be given academic and personal support to reach goals
- learn in small classes, complemented by small group tutorials and workshops
- receive extra academic contact to better understand each course
- experience exceptional standards of teaching, with courses that are delivered by highly qualified academics.

Visit ucic.ac.nz to find out about the Foundation Studies Certificate and University Transfer programme (UTP) or please contact admissions@ucic.ac.nz

UCIC Entry requirements

To enter UCIC programmes, students must meet both the academic and English language requirements.

Foundation Studies Certificate

Country	Foundation Studies Certificate
A-level	GCSE/IGCSE/O-Level: Passing grades in 4 relevant subjects
Australia	Successful completion of Year 11 with acceptable grades
China	Successful completion of Senior Middle 1 and completion of 1 semester of Senior Middle 2 with 75% average; or successful completion of Senior Middle 2 or 3 with no GPA requirement (Grades in English, Chinese, and Politics will be excluded from admission assessment)
India	The Indian Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CISCE) or All India Secondary School Examination (CBSE); or successful completion of Year 10 with 70% or better in 4 academic subjects in a Secondary School Certificate awarded by a recognised Board of Secondary Education; or All India Senior Certificate; or the Higher Secondary School Certificate 50% or better in 4 academic subjects
Indonesia	SMA/MA Year 2 with average of 7.0 or completion of SMA/MA Year 3
International Baccalaureate	Completion of Year 1 of IB
Japan	General Upper Secondary School (Kotogakko): Year 2 with a Grade 3 average; or successful completion of Year 3
Malaysia	SPM (equivalent to IGCSE), Form 5 or UEC with minimum 4 passes in academic subjects
New Zealand	NCEA: 34 credits in total from NCEA Level 2 and Level 3 with no fewer than 10 credits in each subject
Philippines	Successful completion of Year 11 with an 80% average in relevant academic subjects
South Korea	Senior High School Year 2 with minimum Rank 6 average
Thailand	Matayom 5 (Maw 5) with minimum average 60% (2.5) or Completion of Matayom 6
Vietnam	Senior Secondary School Graduation Diploma Year 11 with a 6.0 GPA

NOTE: English language test score required – IELTS (Academic) 5.5, and no band below 5.0 or equivalent.

For full information about UCIC's entry requirements, please see ucic.ac.nz/admissions/entry-requirements/english

University Transfer Programme

Country	UTP: Commerce	UTP: Science	UTP: Engineering*
A-level	Passes in two A Level or AS Level academic subjects (with a minimum of 3 points)	Passes in two A Level or AS Level academic subjects (with a minimum of 3 points)	Passes in three A Level or AS level academic subjects (Maths with Calculus, Physics and/or Chemistry) with a minimum of 3 points.
Australia	Successful completion of Year 12 with a 65% average in relevant subjects or ATAR = 60 or OP = 16	Successful completion of Year 12 with 70% or better in Math and/or Physics (depending on intended major) and 65% or better in two other subjects or ATAR = 60 or OP = 16	Successful completion of Year 12 with a 70% average in relevant subjects (including 70% minimum in Math and Physics) or ATAR = 65 or OP = 15
China	Completion of Senior Middle 2 (SM2) with 70% average; or successful completion of SM3 with 60% average	Successful completion of Senior Middle 2 with 70% average and with 75% average in Mathematics; or successful completion of Senior Middle 3 with 60% average and with 65% average in Mathematics	Successful completion of Senior Middle 2 with 70% average and with 75% average in Mathematics and Physics, and/or Chemistry where these are required courses; or successful completion of Senior Middle 3 with 60% average and with 65% average in Mathematics and Physics and/or Chemistry where there are required courses
	Grades in English Chinese and Politics will be excluded from admission assessment		
India	All India Senior Certificate or the Higher Secondary School Certificate 60% or better in 4 subjects	All India Senior Certificate or Higher Secondary School Certificate 65% or better in Math and/or Physics (depending on intended major) and 60% or better in other subjects	All India Senior Certificate or the Higher Secondary School Certificate 65% or better in 4 subjects
Indonesia	SMA/MA Year 3 with average of 6.5 or more in 4 academic subjects	SMA/MA Year 3/National Examinations – Average overall grade 6.5 in academic subjects and a minimum of 7.5 in Maths and/or Physics depending on intended major	SMA/MA Year 3/National Examinations – Average of grade 7.5 or more in 4 academic subjects
Japan	General Upper Secondary School (Kotogakko), Year 3 with 2.5 average	General Upper Secondary School (Kotogakko), Year 3 with 2.5 average and a grade of 3.0 or better in Mathematics and/or Physics depending on intended major	General Upper Secondary School (Kotogakko), Year 3 with 3.0 average
Malaysia	STPM with passes in 2 academic subjects; or UEC with 2 B grades and 2 C grades	STPM with passes in 2 relevant academic subjects; or UEC with 2 B grades and 2 C grades in relevant academic subjects	STPM with passes in 2 academic subjects; or UEC with 3 B grades and 1 C grade
New Zealand	NCEA Level 3: 28 credits in total – A minimum of 8 credits in each of 3 UE approved subjects	NCEA Level 3: 32 credits in total - A minimum of 12 credits in Mathematics and 10 credits in 2 other UE approved subjects	NCEA Level 3: 34 credits in total – A minimum of 12 credits in Mathematics and Physics and 10 credits in another UE approved subject.
Philippines	High School Diploma with a 75% average in relevant Year 12 subjects	High School Diploma with a 75% average in relevant Year 12 subjects. Must attain 85% in Maths and/or Physics were required for intended major	High School Diploma with a 85% average in relevant Year 12 subjects
South Korea	Senior High School Diploma with Rank 6 average in 4 academic subjects	Senior High School Diploma with Rank 6 average, and rank 4 or better in Maths and/or Physics depending on intended major	High School Certificate of Graduation Year 12 with average Rank 6 in 4 academic subjects including mathematics and one of science subjects depending on intended major
Thailand	Matayom 6 (Maw 6) with an average grade of 2.5	Matayom 6 (Maw6) with an average grade of 2.5 and a minimum of 3.0 in Maths and/or Physics depending on intended major	Matayom 6 (Maw6) with an average grade of 3.0
Vietnam	Senior Secondary School Graduation Diploma Year 12 with a 6.0 average in 4 academic subjects	Senior Secondary School Graduation Diploma Year 12 with a 6.0 average and a minimum of 7.0 in Maths and/or Physics depending on intended major	Senior Secondary School Graduation Diploma Year 12 with a 7.0 average in 4 relevant academic subjects including Maths, Physics and Chemistry

* All students must have completed Maths with Calculus and Physics in their final year of high school and attained acceptable grades. Students applying for Civil, Mechanical, Natural Resources, Chemical and Process, and Forest Engineering specialisations without an adequate background in chemistry will be offered an alternative study pathway.

For full list of countries and entry requirements, visit ucic.ac.nz/admissions/entry-requirements/academic

Postgraduate qualifications

With 120+ qualifications available in 150 subjects, we are likely to have a graduate or postgraduate qualification that suits your interests and goals.

Graduate Diplomas

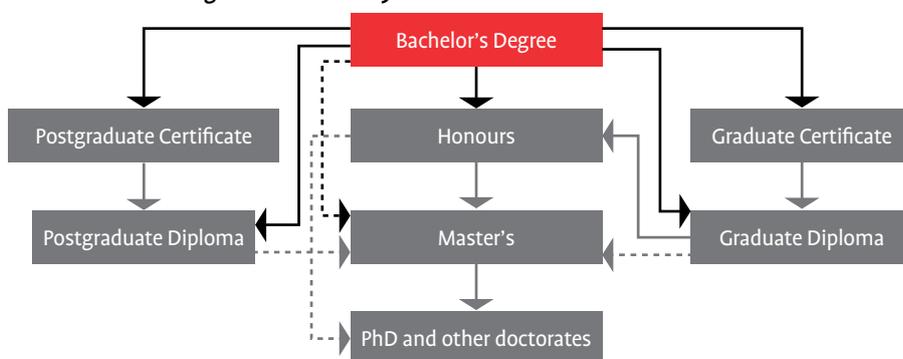
Most graduate diplomas enhance the value of your undergraduate degree, or be a first step to a new career or further study. Graduate studies typically involve taking advanced undergraduate courses.

Some graduate qualifications, for example the Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Early Childhood), are professional qualifications that prepare you for a specific career.

Honours degrees

Honours degrees are often a pathway to further study; if you complete one to a satisfactory standard then you may be able to progress to a master's degree by thesis only. It is typically taking one year of full-time coursework which will include a research component.

Graduate and Postgraduate Pathways



---> Indicates pathways are possible in some programmes. Please contact the relevant college, school or department or see www.canterbury.ac.nz/courses for individual qualification entry requirements.

Postgraduate diplomas

These qualifications develop higher level understanding and specialist skills, often in the same area as your first degree (and in some instances count prior professional experience for entry consideration).

Master's degrees

UC offers three types of master's degrees:

- research master's
- coursework ("taught") master's
- a combination of both.

A **research master's degree** advances your knowledge, and enables you to conduct a significant piece of independent research (with supervision). If you are intending to conduct research, you should investigate potential supervisors before applying to study at UC.

A **taught master's degree** provides a structured programme of courses at an advanced level. In some cases, it can allow you to study a different subject from that of your first degree (and so can facilitate a change of career focus). As well as courses, many offer applied learning opportunities, such as an independent project or industry placement.

PhD

Enrolment in a PhD requires completion of a research-focused honours or master's degree, at First or Second Class (Division I) Honours or Distinction level (or equivalent qualifications).



"I feel very included as an international student. People at UC are very kind, and they're patient with me as a non-native English speaker. The UCSA and other clubs organise lots of events, which are great opportunities to network and meet new friends. It pulls me out of my little research bubble."

Tin
Vietnam
PhD in Marketing

How much will it cost?

Scholarships

UC offers International First-year Undergraduate Scholarships to top-achieving international students.

- UC First year International undergraduate scholarship up to \$15,000.
- UC Engineering International Scholarship \$15,000.

You may also be eligible for many other scholarships and awards for high achieving candidates such as:

- the UC Dean's Award
- Fast Track Award
- South East Asia Award.

To find out more, please contact Global Engagement at iro@canterbury.ac.nz

UC Doctoral Scholarships

UC offers a diverse range of scholarships to support students for study towards their research doctoral degree. The UC Doctoral Scholarship is offered up to \$28,000 per 120 points of thesis enrolment and tuition fees for thesis enrolment only, at the domestic tuition fee rate.



Fees

International tuition fees (2025)			
Subject	Undergraduate (per 120 points)	Postgraduate (non-PhD)	PhD [#] (2024 fees)
Arts, Education, Social Sciences, Education (Teaching)	\$32,800	\$36,800	\$ 7,627
Business and Accountancy	\$34,900	\$36,400	\$ 7,983
Fine Arts, Music, and Law	\$38,800	\$42,200	\$ 8,344
Science	\$41,500	\$43,800	\$ 7,632
Engineering, Forestry	\$49,900	\$49,900	\$9,186
Communication Disorders	\$45,200	\$45,200	\$ 8,135

[#] International PhD students are eligible to pay domestic tuition fees if they are studying and living in Aotearoa New Zealand. International fees will apply for international PhD students if they are studying away from Aotearoa for more than 365 days during their PhD tenure (COVID allowances are currently in place).

Additional compulsory fees (2024)		
Student Services Levy [^]	\$1,100 (120 Points in 2024)	\$9.17 per academic point
Studentsafe University insurance [†]	\$910 2024 rate insurance	\$910

[^] See [canterbury.ac.nz/ssl](https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/ssl)

[†] Health and travel insurance is required for all international students studying in New Zealand. If you do not want to use Studentsafe insurance, you can choose an alternative policy as long as it meets the minimum requirements. — see [page 52](#)

Costs per academic year (Feb–Nov)** — example only	
Bachelor of Commerce programme (two semesters)	\$36,550
Student Services Levy (120 points)	\$1,100
Insurance	\$910
Accommodation in halls of residence	\$20,664
Textbooks and supplies (varies with programme)	\$1,000
TOTAL COSTS	\$60,224

** Costs will vary depending on course selection and lifestyle.
[canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/study-and-living-costs](https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/study-and-living-costs)

Visas and insurance

Student visa

Your student visa is normally for the same length of time as your studies.

You can apply for this visa if you are distance learning and you need to visit New Zealand for more than 3 months to attend your education provider, for example to do practical study or sit exams.

It is recommended to apply for your student visa as soon as you get an Offer of Place from UC.

Part-time work on student visa

You may be allowed to work part-time for up to 20 hours a week and full-time during all scheduled holidays and the Christmas and New Year holiday period if you meet the visa conditions stated by Immigration NZ.

Post Study Work Visa

If you successfully completed a programme at UC, you may be eligible for a Post Study Work Visa. The duration of your visa varies and is subject to change.

immigration.govt.nz

Medical and travel insurance

Most international students are not entitled to publicly-funded health services in Aotearoa New Zealand, so it is important you have insurance.

To enrol at UC, having medical and travel insurance while studying is a legal requirement under the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021.

health.govt.nz



Accident Compensation Corporation

The Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) provides accident insurance for everyone — New Zealand citizens, residents, and visitors — but you may still be liable for some medical and related costs.

acc.co.nz

Studentsafe-University insurance

You can purchase the Studentsafe-University policy when you complete your enrolment. This insurance cost will be added to your enrolment fees.

The policy meets the standards of the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021.

It covers students intending to enrol at UC from the time they leave home (up to 31 days prior to enrolment). The policy covers transit stopovers, but does not cover stopovers that are holidays.

Pre-existing medical conditions

Pre-existing medical conditions are conditions that you have before you enrol in the plan and can include conditions you were aware of, but did not seek treatment for. These conditions are not automatically covered by Studentsafe-University so you must apply to the insurer and receive notice of acceptance of such condition(s). You can apply for cover by completing an online medical risk assessment form.

Dental treatment

Dental treatment in Aotearoa New Zealand is expensive and is generally not covered by insurance. However, UCSA has subsidised dental care for all enrolled students.

ucsa.org.nz/student-support





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*You can find our support
services in one place:
[canterbury.ac.nz/life/
support-and-wellbeing](https://canterbury.ac.nz/life/support-and-wellbeing)*

Support services

At UC, we foster manaakitanga (support), whanaungatanga (connecting through shared experiences and working together), and tiakitanga (caring).

Code of Practice

The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021 is designed to guide institutions in their practice, and protect international students when they study in Aotearoa. UC, a signatory to the Code, is required to meet the standards set by the government.

Read the full code of practice at www2.nzqa.govt.nz/tertiary/the-code

The first thing you should do if you have any concerns with your UC experience is to contact Student Care, University of Canterbury Students' Association (UCSA), or the University Grievance Coordinator to discuss your concerns and options.

If your concerns are not resolved by UC, you can get help from NZQA, who provide an independent assessment of your complaint.

nzqa.govt.nz

E: code.enquiries@nzqa.govt.nz

T: 0800 697 296

If your concern is about a financial or contractual dispute (like tuition fees), you can contact Student Complaints at istudent.org.nz or 0800 00 66 75. This is a free, independent service for full-fee paying international students.



How can UC help you?

Te Pātaka

Te Pātaka, UC's student services hub, is the first place to visit if you have a question or need help with something while you are studying at UC.

Te Pātaka is a one-stop-shop of resources for students that is visible from the moment you enter the Central Library. Te Pātaka offers an abundance of resources, support, and information that will ensure you succeed and excel throughout your academic journey at UC.

Welcome to the International Desk at Te Pātaka, located on level 3 of Puaka-James Hight (Central Library). Our dedicated staff is there to assist international students with any inquiries they may have. Feel free to drop by during their walk-in hours (10am to 4pm) for assistance and support.

Academic Skills Centre (ASC)

ASC is a free service that helps students with writing and study. It helps you get a handle on how to complete assignments, receive grammar help, and offers workshops and seminars. If you need help adjusting to study in New Zealand, the ASC is a great starting point.



Rainbow support

We have a Rainbow Advisor on campus, plus other supportive staff, who can connect you with other students.

Mentoring

When you join UC's mentoring programmes, you will be matched with a mentor who is studying similar subjects to you. Mentors will help you adjust to life on campus, and you can talk to them about your experiences and studies at UC.

Student Care

Student Care is your international student support team when you are on campus. Contact us when you need advice on personal wellbeing, cultural transition, visa, and any questions you might have. The service is confidential, and any further referral will be made with your knowledge and consent.

UC Rec and Sport

The UC RecCentre is free to all students. Simply sign up online and your Canterbury Card becomes your membership card to access awesome group fitness classes, the climbing wall, squash or basketball courts, or get moving in the cardio and weight training areas (some programmes and hires incur extra charges).

UC Careers

Our staff are professionally qualified and experienced career consultants and recruitment specialists who are here to help students and recent graduates with:

- career development
- CV and cover letter writing
- interview practice
- one-on-one appointments.

UC Diversity Champions

This team understands diversity, equity, and differently-abled matters and is here to make your experience as inclusive as it can be. You can talk to them openly.

See a list of support services at canterbury.ac.nz/life/communities-and-clubs

UC Clubs

With 160+ clubs, UC has the most active club scene of any New Zealand University. The UCSA plays a key role in your UC experience and provides a wide range of services.

Some featured clubs include:

- Student Volunteer Army (SVA)
- Asian Kiwi Society
- UC Aerospace Club
- Animesoc
- Canterbury Malaysian Students' Association (CMSA)
- UC Global Society (UCGS)
- Global China Connection Canterbury
- UC Indian Student Association
- UC French Society
- K-Soc (Korean Society).

ucsa.org.nz/clubs



UNIVERSITY of CANTERBURY
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
 Ākonga tū, ākonga ora

Where will I live?

UC has over 2,700 rooms on campus accommodating students of all ages and level of study. Living amongst Kiwi students, we value the diversity and knowledge you bring to our student community.

We recommend you apply for accommodation as soon as you accept your offer to study at UC.

Your home away from home

With support services and staff on hand, we aim to make your transition to Aotearoa New Zealand life as easy as possible.

Most rooms are single occupancy with a small number of self-contained units for couples.

All halls of residence provide:

- a fully-furnished room with a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe, and bookshelf
- heating and power included in fees
- unlimited wi-fi for UC students
- study areas and academic tutorials for first-year students
- social events and activities
- Taurima/Residential Assistants supporting you throughout your stay
- dining facilities or furnished apartments with kitchens to self-cater
- laundry and bathroom facilities
- limited car parking and bike storage

UC has agreements with specialist accommodation providers to manage all aspects of your accommodation experience. Your contract is directly with your hall of residence.

2024 costs (\$)*				
	Self-catered Hall of Residence	Fully-catered Hall of Residence	Homestay	Private rental
Residential fee	\$176–\$344 per week (48 weeks)	\$431–\$645 per week (up to 41 weeks)	From \$300 per week	\$680–\$758 per week** (4-bedroom house in Ilam for 52 weeks)
Deposit	\$800	\$935–\$2,500	From \$300 placement fee	Up to 4 weeks rent as bond, and 1-2 weeks rent in advance
Additional costs	Food, contents/liability insurance	Contents/liability insurance	Transport, contents/liability insurance	Food, power, internet, furniture, transport, contents/liability insurance

* See hall options at canterbury.ac.nz/life/accommodation/halls-of-residence

** tenancy.govt.nz

Key dates	
1 August	applications open for February 2025 start
25 September	application due date
7 October	offers made
29 October	due date for responses to offers plus deposit if accepting
30 October	late applications considered
1 May 2025	due date for Semester 2 applications

View your room online

Videos and 360 panoramas of all halls of residence are available to view on our website.



Other accommodation options

Students under the age of 18 on arrival must apply for homestay, a fully-catered hall of residence, or live with a designated caregiver. For homestay information, see canterbury.ac.nz/life/accommodation/homestay-and-private-board

Accommodation on campus is limited for couples and families. For further information, see canterbury.ac.nz/life/accommodation/couples-and-families-accommodation

Arrival in Christchurch

Ensure you have booked accommodation before arriving in Christchurch. Check our website for information on arranging transport to your accommodation.

Te Ratonga Nohonga UC Accommodation Services

T: +64 3 369 3569

E: accommodation@canterbury.ac.nz
canterbury.ac.nz/life/accommodation



Next steps

To secure your place at UC, simply follow the steps below.

1.

Choose your qualification

UC offers more than 120 different qualifications across many academic fields of study. [canterbury.ac.nz](https://www.canterbury.ac.nz)

2.

Check your eligibility

Before you can enrol at UC, you must meet UC's admission and English language requirements.

Please visit [checkwhatyouneed.canterbury.ac.nz](https://www.checkwhatyouneed.canterbury.ac.nz). If you are unsure, email iro@canterbury.ac.nz

3.

Get advice from an expert

Before applying, it is wise to consult with a UC representative. They can give you advice about qualifications, admissions, visas, fees, accommodation, and travel.

4.

Apply for admission

If you have an overseas qualification, you need to apply for admission online at myUC (myuc.canterbury.ac.nz) or via an approved UC agent. We recommend you apply as early as possible in advance of your intended start date to allow for visa and other arrangements. Once you have done this, we will contact you by email about any further information required.

5.

Receive an Offer of Place

If your application for admission is successful, we will send you an Offer of Place, which will include a pro-forma invoice with instructions on how to pay your tuition fees.

6.

Accept your offer and select your courses

Accept your offer and confirm your place at UC by paying a deposit of NZ\$500, or your tuition fees in full. For information on how to pay fees, contact a Student Advisor at your respective faculty for course advice or go online at myUC (myuc.canterbury.ac.nz) to select your courses. Your courses will be checked by the relevant faculty, school, or department.

7.

Be ready to apply for a student visa

Prepare now and be ready to apply for a student visa. You can check updates about New Zealand border regulations and student visa requirements at [immigration.govt.nz](https://www.immigration.govt.nz)

8.

Come along to International Orientation

UC offers a dedicated international orientation programme to prepare new international students. You can register for the International Welcome and Orientation.

9.

Complete your enrolment

International enrolment takes place in the week before your lectures start.

10.

Enjoy life at UC

You did it! Now come and experience what it means to be a student at UC.





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