

2024

# School of English

for New Zealand permanent  
residents and citizens



**Ara**

Institute of Canterbury

Ara rau, taumata rau



# Welcome

Ara is a Business Division of Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology.

As an Ara student, you will enjoy a strong sense of belonging within an inclusive and multicultural environment. You will never be just a face in a crowd. Your tutors and other staff will get to know you, and because our class sizes are small, you will get to know your classmates too.

During your studies, we will equip you with the skills employers want. With our extensive range of student services, we will support you to succeed in your studies and help you make the most of your time in New Zealand.

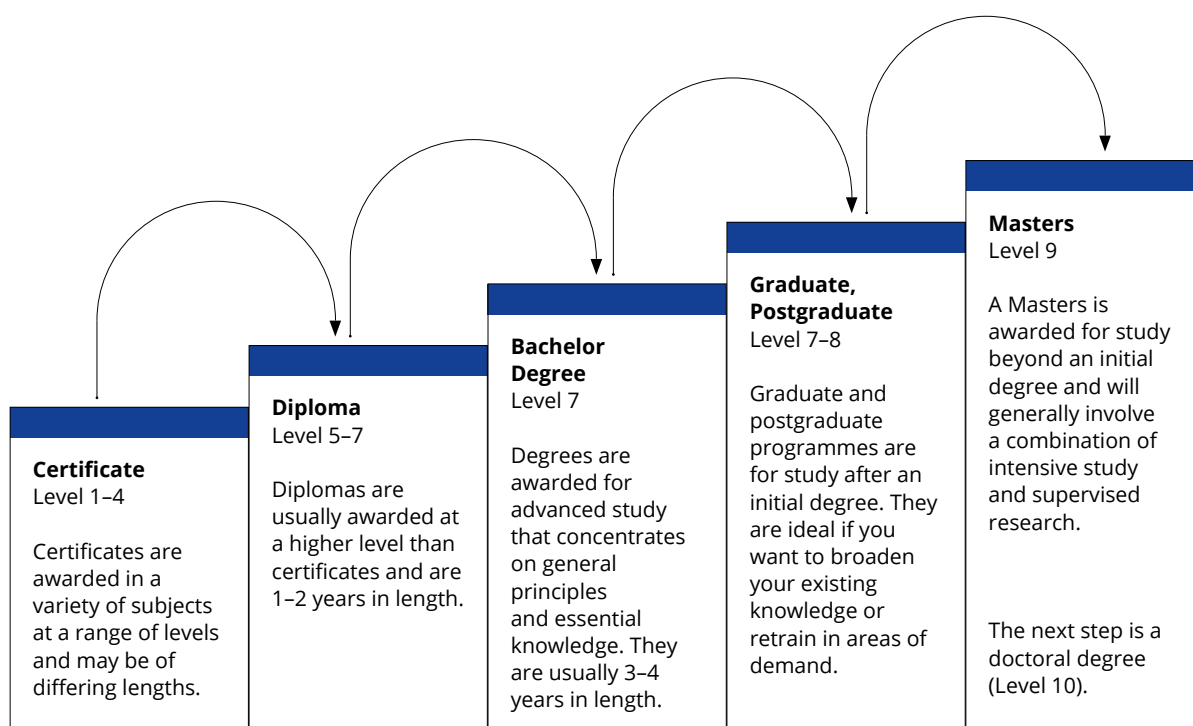
# Why study with us?

Ara has excellent facilities at campuses in Christchurch, Timaru, Ashburton and Oamaru. 19,000 students study with us each year.

We offer:

- Internationally recognised degrees and postgraduate qualifications in a wide range of subjects
- Tutors with years of real-world experience and industry contacts
- Small class sizes (you will get to know your tutors and they will get to know you)
- Skills employers want (you will be work-ready upon graduation)

## More than 150 qualifications



Ara is a member of:



# English Language

The School of English Language at Ara is internationally recognised as one of the best English language training centres in New Zealand.

No of students: up to 300 at any time  
Class size: Average 15; maximum 22

Levels: 7 levels (beginner to advanced)  
Minimum age: 17 years old, no maximum age

## Improve your English

Intensive English  
Short enrolment in:  
General or Academic English

4-week or 6-week blocks

Beginner to advanced

## English for Further Study

New Zealand Certificate in English Language (NZCEL):

- Level 1 Foundation
- Level 1
- Level 2
- Level 3 General
- Level 3 Applied (Academic or Community)
- Level 4 Academic or General
- Level 5 Academic

18 weeks

Levels 1 - 5

## It's easy to get started

### Step 1 – Book a FREE placement test\*

Book by emailing [enrolmentsupport@ara.ac.nz](mailto:enrolmentsupport@ara.ac.nz) with your full name and phone number.

### Step 2 - Take the test

The test takes 90 minutes. The result shows which course is best for you, from Level 1 to Level 5.


### Step 3 – Enrol in a course

You can enrol on the day of your test or later. Please bring your passport for ID.

### Step 4 – Start your course

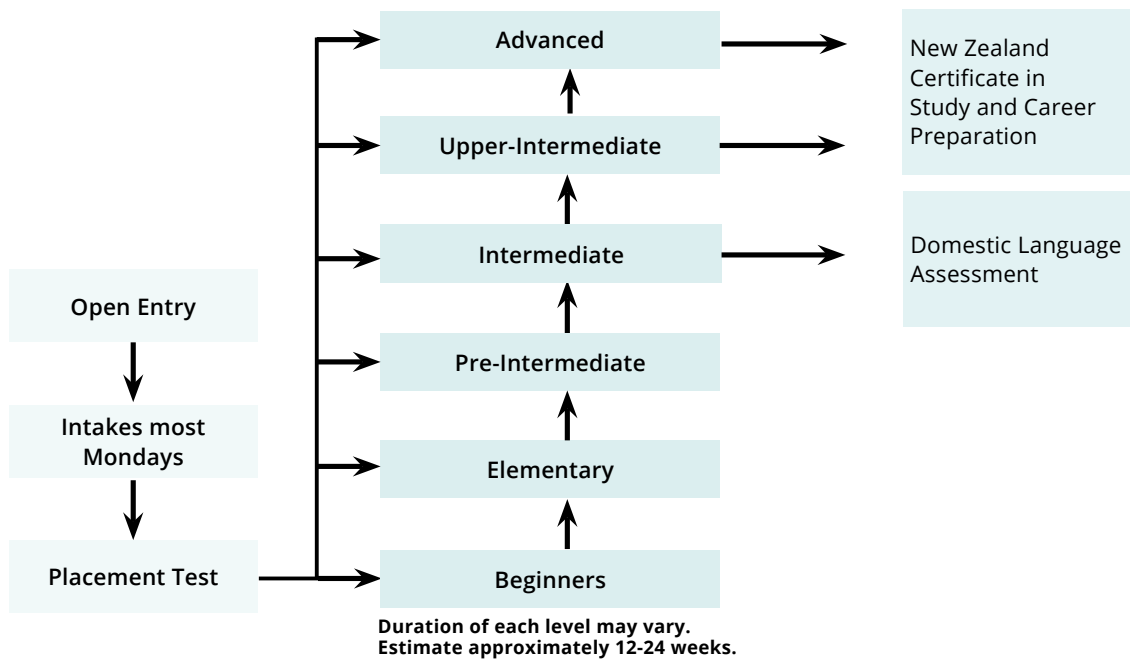
*\*You can also take the placement test in Timaru or Ashburton. The map shown is the Christchurch test location.*



 Test location, School of English, A Block, City campus

# Intensive English courses

Intensive English courses are short enrolments. You will be placed in the appropriate level after sitting a placement test.



- Times:** Dependent on level:  
Monday to Friday 9am – 1pm  
or  
Monday to Thursday 9am – 3pm
- Course dates:** Start every Monday during the year from 8 January 2024
- Entry Level:** All levels; you will be tested
- Textbooks:** Materials are provided
- Tuition fees:** *(Indicative only)* Domestic students:  
\$495 for 4 weeks (course code EGLI101)  
\$742 for 6 weeks (course code EGLI102)  
Pre-paid PELT funds can be used



'The staff are really supportive and always encouraging.'

**Danna Garrido, Chile**  
NZCEL student, Timaru campus

# English for Further Study

## New Zealand Certificate in English Language (NZCEL)

The New Zealand Certificate in English Language is an NZQA qualification. There are seven levels from beginner to advanced. These programmes can be used for further study, for work or for general English development. They aim to extend your ability in all areas of English communication (speaking, listening, reading and writing), prepare you for further English or mainstream study and extend your ability, confidence and comfort in a new country. The NZCEL is an **18-week** course comprising two blocks with a two-week break in between. Classes are **20 hours** per week.

NZCEL can be used to meet English language entry into our mainstream programmes. For further details, refer to the entry criteria of each programme and the equivalence table on page 7. NZCEL studied at Ara is also accepted by the **University of Canterbury** and **Lincoln University**.

<b>Part time classes (February to December)</b>	Level 1 Foundation	Monday and Tuesday 9am – 12.30pm, Wednesday 9am – 12pm	
	Level 1	Monday and Tuesday 9am – 3pm	
	Level 2	Thursday and Friday 9am – 3pm	
	Level 3	Thursday and Friday 9am – 3pm	
<b>Full time classes (July to December)</b>	Level 1 Foundation Level 1 Level 2 Level 3	Monday to Thursday 9am – 3pm	
	Level 3 Applied Academic Level 3 Applied Community Level 4 General Level 4 Academic Level 5	Monday to Friday 9am – 1pm	
	<b>Full time classes (September to January)</b>	Level 4 Academic Level 5	Monday to Thursday 1.15pm – 5.15pm Friday 12pm – 4pm

**Entry level:** All levels; you will be tested  
**Tuition fees:** *(Indicative only)*  
 Domestic students: \$1832 per semester; pre-paid PELT funds can be used  
 International students: \$8,000 per semester, plus insurance, registration and student levy costs

## Textbooks

Some courses require learners to buy a course textbook. If your course requires a course textbook, you will need to buy this at the start of your course (within the first week of the course).

- You can buy your textbook at Ara. See Ana Neves in A115 (Christchurch) or Christine Prouting (Timaru) or Sharon Lloyd (Ashburton).
- You may be able to buy a second-hand book. See Millan Gurung in Student Central if you want to buy or sell a second-hand textbook.
- If you buy the book online, make sure you get the correct edition. Check the ISBN number.
- Photocopied books are not permitted under New Zealand copyright laws.
- If you are a domestic learner and you cannot buy the book due to financial difficulties, or if you are a refugee background learner see Millan Gurung in Student Central to discuss options or support available to you.

Level	Title	Approx discounted price
NZ1879 Level 1 Foundation <small>EALS100, EALL100, EALR100, EALW100</small>	No textbook required	N/A
NZ1880 Level 1 <small>EALS101, EALL101, EALR101, EALW101</small>	English File, 4th edition, Elementary <b>ISBN 9780194031592</b>  International students: must buy Domestic students: provided	\$65
NZ1881 Level 2 <small>EALS200, EALL200, EALR200, EALW200</small>	English File, 4th Edition, Pre-Intermediate <b>ISBN 9780194037419</b>  International students: must buy Domestic students: provided	\$65
NZ1882 Level 3 General <small>EALS300, EALL300, EALR300, EALW300</small>	English File, 4th Edition, Intermediate <b>ISBN 9780194035910</b>  All students: must buy	\$65
NZ3667 Level 3 Applied Community <small>EALS301, EALL301, EALR301, EALW301</small>	English File, 4th Edition, Intermediate Plus <b>ISBN 9780194038911</b>  All students: must buy	\$74
NZ3667 Level 3 Applied Academic <small>EALS302, EALL302, EALR302, EALW302</small>	Oxford EAP, Pre-Intermediate/B1 <b>ISBN 9780194002073</b>  All students: must buy	\$88
NZ3669 Level 4 General <small>EALS400, EALL400, EALR400, EALW400</small>	English File, 4th Edition, Upper-Intermediate <b>ISBN 9780194039697</b>  All students: must buy	\$78
NZ1883 Level 4 Academic <small>EALS401, EALL401, EALR401, EALW401</small>	No textbook required	N/A
NZ1884 Level 5 Academic <small>EALS500, EALL500, EALR500, EALW500</small>	No textbook required	N/A

# Language Self Access Centre

The Language Self Access Centre (LSAC) is where you can practise and improve your English. There is always a trained staff member available to help you select appropriate resources for your level and needs. Resources available to you include:

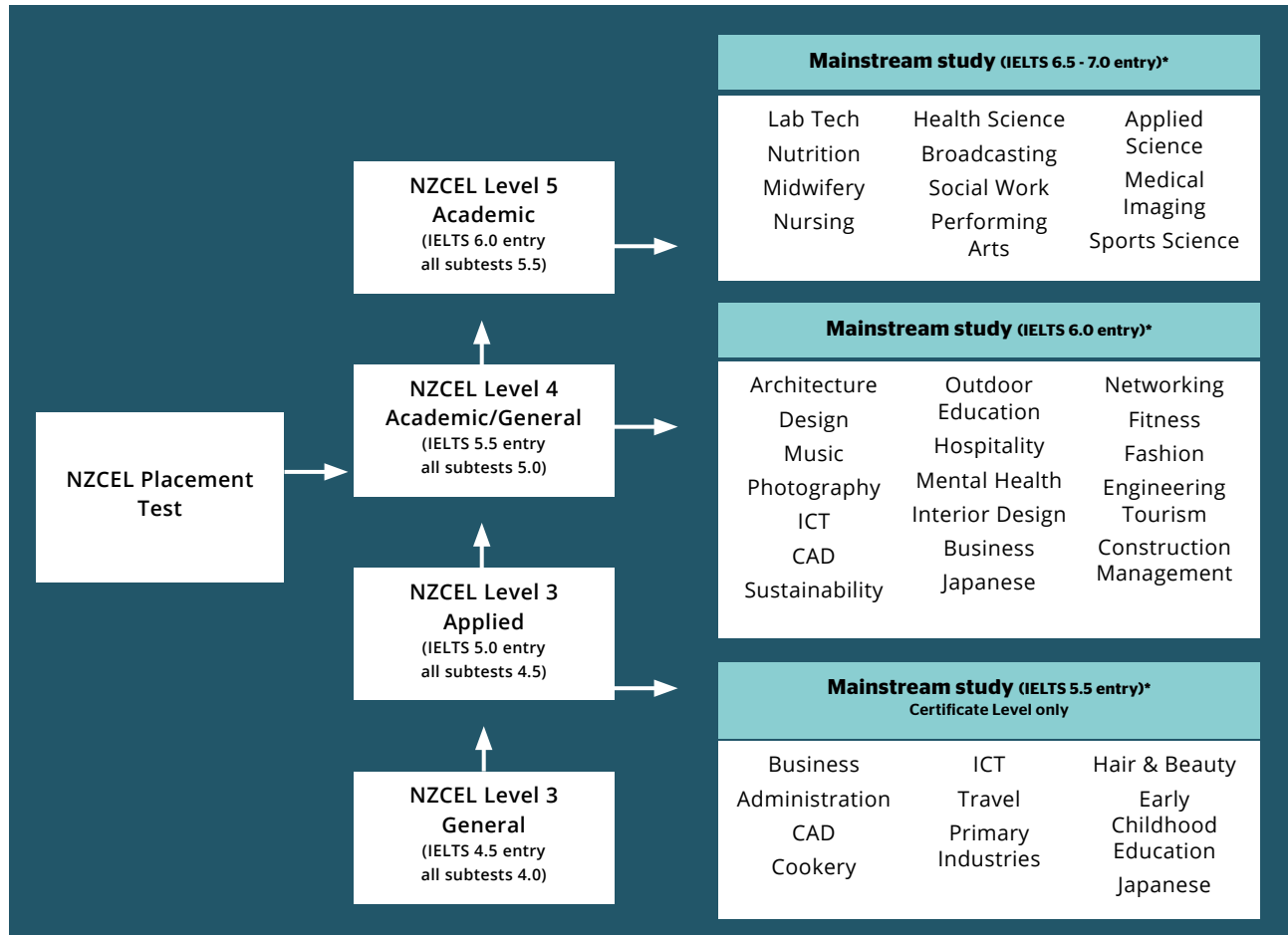
- CDs, DVDs and CD-ROMs
- Multimedia computer programs
- Newspapers, TV news and online news programmes
- Course books, worksheet/audio packs, readers and dictionaries
- New Zealand English materials and information about life in this country
- English for specific purposes (e.g. nursing, business, hospitality) and English for academic study
- Preparation material for IELTS, Cambridge, OET and Pearson examinations and the Domestic Language Assessment

As well as English resources, we also have a small selection of materials for students learning Spanish, Japanese and Māori.



# Pathways to further study

The following diagram shows various pathways from English language to further academic studies available at Ara. You can start at any point according to your level and our staff will assist you along the way.



\*Please refer to pages 8-9 for mainstream study options and the programme listings on pages 10-11 for details including IELTS subtest requirements

## English equivalence table

Level	IELTS		TOEFL		TOEFL		Cambridge		NZCEL	Pearson (band score)	City & Guilds Score
	Overall	Subtest	pBT	TWE	iBT	Writing	B2First	C1Advanced or C2Proficiency			
3	5.0	(5.0)	500	(4)	35	20	154	Grade C	Level 3 (General)	36 (36)	B1 Achiever (43)
4	5.5	(5.0)	530	(4.5)	46	20	162	Grade C	Level 3 (Applied)	42 (36)	B2 Communicator (42)
5	5.5	(5.0)	550	(5)	46	20	162	Grade C	Level 4 (General)	42 (36)	B2 Communicator (42)
6 & 7	6.0	(5.5)	550	(5)	60	20	169	Grade C	Level 4 (Academic)	50 (42)	B2 Communicator (66)
8 & 9	6.5	(6.0)	590	(5.5)	79	21	196	Grade B	Level 5	58 (50)	C1 Expert (42)

Refer to English Proficiency Outcomes Table at [ara.ac.nz/english-equivalence](http://ara.ac.nz/english-equivalence)

If you have achieved NCEA Level 3 University Entrance requirements you are not required to provide evidence of English language skills for most programmes.

# Study options

Ara has a range of certificates, diplomas, undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications available.

● Certificate / Diploma   ● Degree   ● Graduate Certificate / Graduate Diploma   ● Postgraduate / Master's



**English Language** ●  
Intensive English  
New Zealand Certificate in English Language (NZCEL)

**Foundation Studies** ●  
Study and Career Preparation



**Digital Technologies** ● ● ●  
Computer Networking  
ICT (Information and Communication Technologies)  
Information Technology Essentials  
Informational Technology Technical Support  
Networking  
Web Development and Design

**Business** ● ● ●  
Accounting  
Administration and Technology  
Agribusiness  
Applied Business  
Applied Management  
Event Management  
First Line Management  
Hospitality Management

Human Resource Management  
Innovation and Entrepreneurship  
Marketing and Sales  
Operations and Production Management  
Project Management  
Strategic Management  
Supply Chain Logistics  
Transformation and Change



**Food, Hospitality and Tourism** ● ● ●  
Baking  
Cookery  
Hospitality, Food and Beverage

Hospitality Management  
Tourism

**Hair, Beauty and Massage** ●  
Barbering  
Beauty Therapy  
Hairdressing  
Massage Therapy





**Architectural Studies** ●●●  
 Architectural Technology  
 Construction Management  
 Interior Design  
 Quantity Surveying



**Engineering** ●●●  
 Civil Engineering  
 Electrical Engineering  
 Mechanical Engineering



**Tourism** ●●  
 Tourism  
 International Tourism



**Outdoor Education** ●●●●  
 Sustainability and Outdoor Education  
 Sustainable Practice



**Sports and Exercise** ●●  
 Exercise  
 Human Nutrition  
 Health Promotion  
 Sport and Exercise Science



**Languages and Education** ●●  
 English Language Teaching (CELTA)  
 Māori



**Health & Social Services** ●●●●  
 Exercise                      Nursing  
 Human Services            Osteopathy  
 Medical Imaging            Social Work  
 Midwifery



**Animal and Laboratory Science** ●●  
 Animal Technology  
 Animal Management  
 Laboratory Technology  
 Veterinary Nursing



**Broadcasting** ●●  
 Broadcasting  
 (Radio, Television and Journalism)



**Art and Design** ●●●  
 Applied Visual Arts  
 Creativity  
 Digital Media and Design  
 Fashion

Motion Design  
 Photography  
 Visual Communication Design



**Performing Arts** ●●  
 Music Creation  
 Music Performance  
 Music Production  
 Performing Arts

# Programme listings

Qual	Programme	Also available in Timaru	Level	Duration	Commences	IELTS Entry Requirement				
						Overall	Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
<b>ENGLISH FOR FURTHER STUDY (NZCEL)</b>										
C	NZ Certificate in English Language (General)	T	3	18 weeks	Feb/Jul	IELTS 4.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
C	NZ Certificate in English Language (Applied)	T	3	18 weeks	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.0	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
C	NZ Certificate in English Language	T	4	18 weeks	Feb/Jul/Sep	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	NZ Certificate in English Language		5	18 weeks	Feb/Jul/Sep	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<b>FOUNDATION</b>										
C	Study and Career Preparation	T	3	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Study and Career Preparation	T	4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.5	5.0	5.5	5.0
<b>ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES</b>										
G	Construction Management		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Quantity Surveying		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Building Information Modelling (BIM)		7	1 year	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Architectural Studies		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Construction (with specialisations in Construction Management and Quantity Surveying)		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Architectural Technology		6	2 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Construction (with specialisations in Construction Management and Quantity Surveying)		6	2 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<b>CREATIVE</b>										
M	Master of Creative Practice		9	1.5 years	Feb	IELTS 6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
P	Postgraduate Diploma in Creative Practice		8	1 year	Feb	IELTS 6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
B	Design (with specialisations in Applied Visual Art, Fashion, Motion Design,, and Visual Communication)		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Digital Media and Design	T (only)	5	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Creativity	T	4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Digital Media and Design	T	4	6 months	Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Fashion		4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>BUSINESS</b>										
G	Applied Management		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Business Information Systems		7	1 year	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Business Transformation & Change		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Human Resource Management		7	1 year	Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Marketing and Sales		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Operations & Production Management		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Project Management		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Strategic Management		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
G	Supply Chain Logistics		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Accounting		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Applied Management (with specialisations)		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Business		5	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Business (Administration & Technology)		4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Business (Administration & Technology)		3	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>COMMUNICATIONS &amp; MEDIA</b>										
B	Broadcasting Communications		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<b>COMPUTING &amp; ICT</b>										
G	Information & Communication Technologies		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Information & Communication Technologies		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Cybersecurity		6	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Web Development and Design		5	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
D	Information Technology Technical Support		5	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Information Technology Essentials*		4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Legend: C Certificate D Diploma B Bachelor G Graduate P Post Graduate M Master's

\*Study grant has been applied \*\*Entry requirements and fees are subject to change.

Qual	Programme	Also available in Timaru	Level	Duration	Commences	IELTS Entry Requirement				
						Overall	Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
<b>ENGINEERING</b>										
B	Engineering Technology (Electrical)		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0
B	Engineering Technology (Civil)		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0
B	Engineering Technology (Mechanical)		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0
D	Engineering (Electrical)		6	2 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Engineering (Civil)		6	2 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Engineering (Mechanical)		6	2 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Engineering (Electronic)		6	2 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<b>HOSPITALITY &amp; SERVICE INDUSTRIES</b>										
B	International Tourism and Hospitality Management		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Hospitality Management		5 & 6	2 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
D	Cookery (Advanced) - Cookery Strand	T	4 & 5	2 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
D	Cookery (Advanced) - Patisserie Strand	T	4 & 5	2 years	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Baking (Generalist) (Career Baker)	T	4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Food & Beverage Service		3 & 4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Tourism & Travel		3 & 4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>HAIR &amp; BEAUTY</b>										
D	Beauty Therapy		5	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Beauty Therapy	T	4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>HEALTH</b>										
P	Osteopathy		8	1 year	Feb	IELTS 6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
P	Health Practice		8	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
B	Medical Imaging		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
B	Midwifery		7	3 years	Jan	IELTS 7.0	7.0	6.5	6.5	7.0
B	Musculoskeletal Health		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Nursing	T	7	3 years	Various	IELTS 6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
B	Social Work		7	4 years	Feb	IELTS 6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
D	Enrolled Nursing		5	1.5 years	Mar	IELTS 6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
C	Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services)		4	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Exercise		4	6 months	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
-	Competency Assessment Programme		-	9 weeks	Please enquire	IELTS 7.0	7.0	7.0	6.5	7.0
<b>LANGUAGES AND EDUCATION</b>										
C	English Language Teaching to Speakers of Other Languages (CELTA)		5	1 month	May	IELTS 7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
<b>OUTDOOR EDUCATION</b>										
M	Sustainable Practice		9	1.5 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
P	Sustainable Practice		8	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
G	Sustainability and Outdoor Education		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Sustainability and Outdoor Education		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Outdoor and Adventure Education (Multiskilled)		5	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>PERFORMANCE</b>										
B	Music		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
B	Music Theatre		7	3 years	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
C	Music		4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Performing Arts		4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>SCIENCE</b>										
G	Laboratory Technology		7	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	6.5	6.0	6.0	6.5
B	Applied Science (with specialisations in Human Nutrition, Health Promotion and Sport & Exercise Science)		7	3 years	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Applied Science		6	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
D	Applied Science		5	1 year	Feb/Jul	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
D	Veterinary Nursing		6	1 year	Feb	IELTS 6.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
C	Animal Technology (with Veterinary Nursing Assistant strand)		5	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
C	Animal Management with Companion Animal strand		4	1 year	Feb	IELTS 5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

# Apply now for 2024

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## City campus

130 Madras Street, Christchurch  
Mon–Thu, 8am–5pm | Fri, 9am–4.30pm

## Manawa campus

276 Antigua Street, Christchurch  
Mon–Fri, 8.30am–4.30pm

## Woolston campus

Ensors Road, Christchurch  
Mon–Thu, 8am–5pm | Fri, 9am–4.30pm

## Timaru campus

32 Arthur Street, Timaru  
Mon–Thu 8am–5pm | Fri 8am–4.30pm

## Ashburton campus

37 Alford Forest Road, Ashburton  
Mon–Fri, 8.30am–4.30pm

## Oamaru campus

44 Humber Street, Oamaru  
Mon–Fri, 9am–3pm

## Ara Connect

City campus, Madras Street, Christchurch  
Timaru Campus, 32 Arthur Street, Timaru  
Woolston Campus, Ensors Road, Christchurch

