

Study with us!

Introducing Otago Polytechnic



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POLYTECHNIC

Te Kura Matatini ki Otago



Why choose us?

Otago Polytechnic is a fun and vibrant place to study! We are a leader in high quality, career-focused education and employers love our work-ready, motivated and confident graduates.

We provide:

- ▶ flexible study options
- ▶ the chance to get hands-on experience
- ▶ study pathways to match any learners' needs
- ▶ study abroad and exchange opportunities
- ▶ award-winning lecturers
- ▶ links with industry and international networks
- ▶ work experience/industry placements
- ▶ great student support services.



7,000+
full- and part-time students



98%
graduates in
work, study
or both

100+

programmes,
certificates to
postgraduate

90%
qualification
completion

500+
permanent academic
and professional staff

93%
overall student
satisfaction

English and Foundation Studies

English Language
Foundation Studies and
Bridging Options

Health and Community

Nursing
Midwifery
Occupational Therapy
Massage Therapy
Social Services

Hairdressing and Beauty

Professional Hairdressing
Beauty Skills
Beauty Therapy

Education

Early Childhood Studies
Mata a Ao Māori
Tertiary Teaching

Creative

Art: Ceramics; Electronic Arts;
Jewellery and Metalsmithing;
Painting; Photography; Print;
Sculpture; Textiles
Design: Communication; Interior
Architecture; Fashion; Product;
Creative Studies

Media

Journalism
Digital Photography
Film and Television

Hospitality

Cookery
Culinary Arts
Food and Beverage Service
Hospitality Management

Business, Tourism and IT

Business: Applied Management; Accounting;
Administration and Technology; Leadership
and Management
Tourism: Operations; Tourism and Travel
IT: Intermediate Computing; IT Essentials;
IT Service and Support

Construction and Engineering

Construction: Carpentry; Construction
Management; Architectural Studies;
Quantity Surveying; Stonemasonry
Engineering: Automotive; Bicycle
Mechanics; Mechanical; Electrical; Civil

Sport and Adventure

Sport: Physical Activity, Health and
Wellness; Management
and Coaching; Personal Training and
Exercise Prescription; Performance
and Movement Analysis; Physical
Conditioning; Sports Turf Management
Adventure: Outdoor Leadership;
Snowsports; Avalanche Safety

Natural Sciences

Horticulture
Arboriculture
Agriculture
Viticulture
Veterinary Nursing
Sustainable Practice



Studying in Dunedin

Experience life in New Zealand's student capital

Dunedin is a safe, friendly and vibrant city with 30,000 students living here during the academic year.

There's great shopping, awesome gigs, national and international sports events, heritage architecture, theatres, art galleries and museums, and plenty of cafés and restaurants offering food from around the globe.

Dunedin is also surrounded by spectacular scenery, sandy beaches and some of the world's rarest wildlife, and is only a few hours' drive from the ski slopes of Central Otago.

Our Forth Street Campus is within easy walking distance of downtown Dunedin, right in the middle of the student district, whilst our Cumberland Street Campus is in the heart of the city centre.

Studying in Central

Central Otago is unlike anywhere else in the world. Our striking landscapes of mountains, rivers, lakes and tussocks provide a playground for the energetic, inspiration for the artistic, and a lifestyle most can only dream of.

In Cromwell, on the shores of Lake Dunstan, you can study cookery, horticulture and more, using our plant nursery, vineyard, orchards and restaurant.

Nearby Wanaka is the base for our snow programmes, and is surely one of the best classrooms in the world! And our strong connections with local businesses mean there's plenty of work experience available.



Photo courtesy of Andreas Strand

Studying in Auckland

We also have the Auckland International Campus, a partnership with Future Skills Academy.

The majority of programmes in Auckland are currently only available to international students. Located in the heart of downtown Auckland, classes are taught in English but there are staff available who speak other languages.



Home away from home

Where you live makes a big difference to your student experience. Fortunately there are loads of great options available.

Halls of residence (Dunedin only)

Halls of residence are the perfect introduction to your study experience. Live in warm, modern facilities, have your meals cooked for you, take part in a variety of social events and make new friends!

www.citycollege.co.nz
www.salmondcollege.ac.nz
www.gardenscollege.co.nz

Studios/Apartments (all campuses)

If you like the idea of living alone, studios or one-bedroom apartments could be for you.

Flatting or private shared accommodation (all campuses)

Many students love the experience of renting a house together, with friends and other students, and sharing living costs such as internet, electricity and food.





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Student lifestyle

Life at Otago Polytechnic is about more than just study and classes— students have multiple opportunities to take part in a vibrant community-based culture of events and fun.

The Otago Polytechnic Students' Association (OPSA) holds an orientation festival of events at the start of each semester that includes sporting events, concerts, eating competitions, food events, quizzes and campus amazing races.

We also share a lot of events, facilities and activities with Otago University Students' Association (OUSA) including Unipol Gym and recreation courses.

Come join the fun and make new friends!

For more information go to:
www.opsa.org.nz



Support and services

Here to help every step of the way

To enhance your experience at Otago Polytechnic, we make sure that you have access to the best information, advice, support and assistance, prior to, and during, your studies.

This includes access to our:

- ▶ chaplain
- ▶ counselling services
- ▶ Student Health Centre
- ▶ Polykids Childcare Centre
- ▶ IT support team
- ▶ cultural services for Māori and Pasifika
- ▶ scholarships
- ▶ learning advisors
- ▶ disability support staff
- ▶ career services.

For more information go to:

www.op.ac.nz/students/support
www.op.ac.nz/students/services





Specialist facilities

We have warm and inviting student spaces on campus for study, socialising and eating.

Libraries

All our campuses provide access to library facilities including research resources, photocopying and printing services.

Student areas

The Dunedin Campus has several places to relax, eat your lunch, grab a coffee or meet your friends including Manaaki and The Hub. A fantastic range of freshly cooked food is also available for purchase every day to accommodate a variety of dietary requirements.

Our Central Otago Campus has a student common room that is a great social hub for students who want to catch up with friends, have lunch, a cup of tea or coffee, study or just take some time out from a busy day of classes.

Level 8 is Auckland's designated student space! Located on the very top floor of our campus, it has a wraparound balcony and excellent urban views and is fully-equipped with table tennis and foosball tables, board games, books and more!

Explore more!

Travel, learn and expand your horizons with our international study opportunities.

Our exchange programmes are a great way to immerse yourself in a different culture without taking time out from your studies. Mainly for undergraduate students, these exchanges allow you to study for one semester or up to one year at an overseas institution and complete part of your degree there.

It's an excellent way to extend your networks, make new friends and develop life skills...and it'll look great on your CV!

Opportunities include a Summer School in China or Hong Kong, or a Winter School in Finland; studying Tourism, Business, Information Technology or Engineering in Japan, parts of Europe, USA or China; studying Sport in The Netherlands or Canada; studying Design or Art in some of Europe's coolest cultural destinations or using your degree to teach English in China!

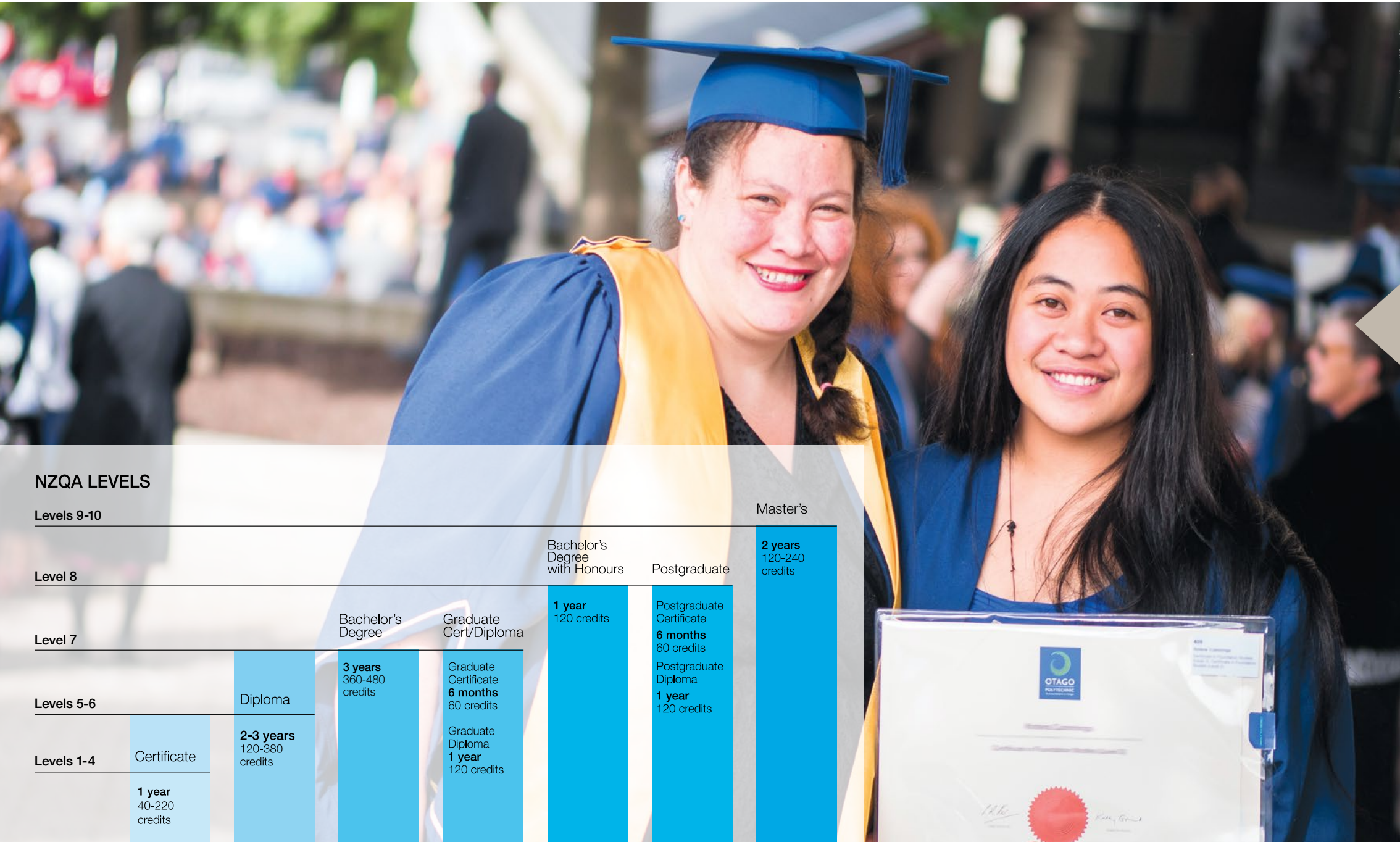
For more information go to:
www.op.ac.nz/explore-more
or call 021 705 976



“Take the opportunities that Otago Polytechnic are offering you because you’ll have the time of your life!”

MADISON HENRY

Bachelor of Design (Communication)
Shanghai Summer School Oceania Programme Exchange



NZQA LEVELS

Levels 9-10								Master's	
Level 8						Bachelor's Degree with Honours		Postgraduate	
Level 7				Bachelor's Degree		Graduate Cert/Diploma		1 year 120 credits	
								Postgraduate Certificate 6 months 60 credits	
Levels 5-6			Diploma	3 years 360-480 credits				Postgraduate Diploma 1 year 120 credits	
Levels 1-4		Certificate	2-3 years 120-380 credits			Graduate Diploma 1 year 120 credits			
		1 year 40-220 credits							

Flexible study options

So you can choose what, when, where and how you learn!

On campus

Via face-to-face teaching, online resources, work placements and student-managed projects.

Online

Fully online programmes mean you don't need to attend classes on campus as content can be accessed online. You may have online tutorials at certain times but these can also be recorded to listen to later. Ideal for learners who are in work and need the flexibility of online study.

Distance

Various formats specific to programmes including block courses (on campus), local work placements, local tutorials and online learning.

Full-time

Requiring a time commitment of approximately 40 hours per week similar to full-time work.

Part-time

Many of our full-time programmes can be completed part-time over a slightly longer duration so you can fit your study around other commitments.



Student profiles



Hannah Dawson loves nothing more than working under the hood of a car. After making the decision that a classroom setting wasn't for her, she enrolled in a Certificate in Automotive Engineering (Level 3).

A typical day for Hannah would include working in the garage, completing assessments on running engines, and welding.

The Automotive programme also runs a mechanical workshop, where students gain experience working with clients and servicing cars. 'We have actual customers so it's a very satisfying feeling knowing what's wrong with their car and fixing it for them.'

"I get a lot of one-on-one time with my teachers and I now have so much confidence."

HANNAH DAWSON

Certificate in Automotive Engineering (Level 3)

"I tell anyone who is interested in fashion to go to Otago Polytechnic as it is definitely the best place in New Zealand to study."

SAMUEL RALPH

Certificate in Fashion Studies (Level 4) and Bachelor of Design (Fashion) graduate

Initially graduating with a Certificate in Fashion Studies (Level 4), Sam's passion for the fashion world inspired him to apply for the Bachelor of Design (Fashion).

"I already knew all of the tutors and had a great knowledge about the different machines and techniques. That gave me a massive advantage, especially in areas like patternmaking and hand-work skills."

Sam's talent was recognised when he was chosen to show his graduate collection at Shanghai Fashion Week and iD Dunedin Fashion Week. Sam was also a finalist in Mittelmöda 2014 and part of a design collective called NO END, showing at Beijing Fashion Week in 2015 (below).



Photographer - Glenn F R Schuitman @popupcreative www.popupbeijing.com
Photographed at Mercedes-Benz China Fashion Week



Our teaching

At Otago Polytechnic we are specialists in career-focused education.

- ▶ We connect theory to practice by facilitating internships and project partnerships, and providing our students with outstanding facilities, work experience and industry connections
- ▶ All our academic staff hold, or are working towards, a Graduate Diploma in Tertiary Education (Level 7)
- ▶ In the past seven years, 14 of our teachers have won Ako Aotearoa Tertiary Teaching Excellence Awards
- ▶ Our qualification completion rate is amongst the best in our sector in New Zealand.



Staff profiles



Professor Margo Barton has completed a PhD in millinery and her enthusiasm for fashion education is plain to see. In 2010, Margo was invited to join the judging panel for the Mittelmoda Awards – a prestigious international competition for emerging fashion designers.

“I love working in such a hands-on, vibrant and ever-changing educational environment. The students have creative freedom to take their learning, and therefore their careers, in any direction relating to fashion.”

PROFESSOR MARGO BARTON

Programme Manager - Bachelor of Design (Fashion)
Winner of a 2007 Ako Aotearoa Tertiary Teaching Excellence Award

Professor Richard Mitchell holds a PhD in wine consumer behaviour and is on the editorial panel for the International Journal of Food Design and the advisory panel for ConversationNZ, an industry-led hospitality panel. He has also published over 140 pieces of research focusing on food, wine, consumer behaviour and tourism.

“I realise that everyone brings their own content and own experiences of the world to a classroom and my job is simply to unlock their potential.”

PROFESSOR RICHARD MITCHELL (below, right)
Food Design Institute





92% employer satisfaction

Our qualifications can take you anywhere!

Employers love our graduates because they are:

- ▶ work-ready and capable
- ▶ innovative and motivated
- ▶ confident
- ▶ eager to learn
- ▶ practical and solution-focused!

98% of our graduates are in work, study or both. They achieve great success and personal satisfaction because they care about the wider community and are driven to make a difference. Studying with us is a great way to shape your future!



“We like Otago Polytechnic graduates because they’re willing to learn and they come with a high level of clinical skill. They bring a sense of fun, motivation and innovation.”

MARK SHIRLEY
Managing Director, Rata South

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

SPORTS TURF MANAGEMENT

“We love Otago Polytechnic graduates. They’re work-ready and bring a can-do attitude to the job.”

ALAN GILMOUR (left)
Turf Manager, New Zealand Cricket





Be a student for a day

Get a taste of what it's like to be a student on campus!

Student For a Day is an opportunity to visit our Dunedin campuses and spend time in a real classroom alongside current Otago Polytechnic students. This allows you to experience our programmes firsthand, which can help you to decide what to study.

Student For a Day can include a campus tour, career guidance and a visit to the residential colleges.

Whether you've got a couple of hours free or want to spend the whole day with us, we will do our best to provide a great experience for you!

Talk to us

Our friendly Liaison Advisors are here to help you find the study option that's right for you. They're also happy to chat about life at Otago Polytechnic or to answer any other questions that you might have. They may be able to meet with you in person or can offer advice via phone or email.

For more information email:
liaison@op.ac.nz



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