

Me whakarite koe

Get ready

Deciding to go to university may seem a little daunting for you (and your whānau!) so we have put together a timeline full of info so you can get your studies off to a great start!

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| <h3>Get planning</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Admissions Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure you're on track to get University Entrance (UE). Not doing NCEA? Get information on other pathways into university. Check the universities' application deadlines (some programmes have earlier closing dates than others). Attend a 'Careers Expo' - check to see if there is one in your region! | <h3>Get connected</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Liaison or Recruitment Officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a university visit at your school. Go to a University Open Day—take a university tour, experience a university lecture, talk with students taking courses to hear about their experiences. | <h3>Get applying</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Admissions Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check (and double-check) the entry requirements for the courses you're applying for. Some courses have specific requirements in addition to UE. See the 'Get in' section of our website for more details on what you'll need when applying. | <h3>Get a room</h3> <p>Key contacts: Accommodation & Halls of Residence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tour the facilities. Check application deadlines. See info on Halls of Residence on our website. | <h3>Get funded</h3> <p>Key contacts: StudyLink & Fees Free websites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Try to apply by 16 December to help get your correct payments on time, even if you haven't finalised where or what you're studying. See the StudyLink info on our website and the StudyLink website www.studylink.govt.nz Fees Free From 2025, Fees Free covers the final year of study or training for the first provider-based qualification or work-based programme an eligible learner completes. www.feesfree.govt.nz/final-year | <h3>Get accepted</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Admissions Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conditional offer of place Universities may make you a conditional offer before your school results are released. Formal offer of place Universities will send a formal offer once school results are released. Accepting or declining an offer of place The university will send you information about accepting or declining an offer of place. | <h3>Get underway</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Student Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orientation Week (O Week) is where you'll meet new people and be introduced to the campus, its support teams and services. There are lots of fun things like concerts and club events. Clubs Day is where you'll find out about the clubs on campus. Sign up to a wide range of sport teams and academic, cultural or social groups. All students may be invited to attend a Pōwhiri or another formal welcoming. | <h3>Get it sorted</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Admissions Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changing your enrolment You can drop, swap or add a course for a limited time at the start of each semester. Check the change of enrolment deadlines or you'll be charged for the courses you want to drop. |
| <h3>Get advice</h3> <p>Key contacts: Future Student Advisers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a university visit at your school. Go to a University Open Day. Check out a university prospectus. Universities have lots of supporting guides as well: information for parents / accommodation guides / Māori student guides / Pacific student guides / budgeting & financial planning guides. | <h3>Get a scholarship</h3> <p>Key contacts: University Scholarships Office</p> <p>Universities and other organisations offer a wide range of scholarships for university study.</p> <p>There are scholarships to support: Academic achievement / Māori students / Pacific students / students with disabilities / financial hardship / Sport and cultural achievement / Specific subjects.</p> <p>If you're of Māori descent, make sure you check to see if your iwi offers education scholarships. See the information on scholarships on our website (www.thinkingaboutuni.nz) and also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generosity www.generosity.org.nz Māori Education Trust www.maorieducation.org.nz/scholarships Universities New Zealand undergraduate scholarships www.universitiesnz.ac.nz/scholarships | <div style="background-color: #004a99; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>You can apply to as many NZ universities as you want!</p> <p>This means you'll have more time to decide which university is right for you.</p> </div> | <h3>Get a Job</h3> <p>Key contacts: Student Job Search & NZUni Talent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you're going to need a job to help with costs at university, check out Student Job Search www.sjs.co.nz Also look at NZUni Talent, an online tool to find work www.nzunitalent.ac.nz | | | | |

Lots of scholarships are available. Whānau should really encourage their rangatahi to apply.