

WELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Te Kura Tuarua o Taraika ki Pukeahu

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Wellington Trades Academy (WTA) 2016 options

Weltec (Petone) and Whitireia (Porirua/Kapiti) are offering an exciting and relevant hands-on learning and training opportunity for senior students in an area of their interest.

The WTA programmes are designed to support students to achieve NCEA Level 2 as well as a Vocational Pathway (see Note 2) award at Level 2. e.g. National Certificate in Motor Industry – Entry Skills (Level 2).

Places are limited to only 18 students per programme.

The programme involves students studying at Weltec or Whitireia 2 days/week (Thurs/Fri) to gain approximately 40 credits in their chosen field. These credits can and will also transfer towards completing NCEA Level 2.

The other 3 days (Mon – Wed), students will study at Wellington High School in a reduced programme (approx 3 subject areas). A few students may also participate in the school facilitated Gateway work experience/placement programme for a further day – by negotiation with the school.

While at the Trades Academy the students will learn in a practical, hands-on, activity and projectbased environment using the latest equipment and technology relevant to their chosen future. They will also develop the foundation skills needed to progress to higher learning opportunities or move directly into employment. There are also strong student support systems in place.

All WTA programmes are **<u>Fees Free</u>**. This means that there are no course costs and all equipment, class materials and safety gear are provided for you. A transport subsidy may be available for students who might find it difficult to get to their programme venue.

To be eligible to enrol in the WTA, you must be enrolled in a secondary school and you should also:

- Preferably have 80 credits at NCEA L1 (including Literacy and Numeracy). Applications for Special Entry may be considered for students who do not meet this criteria.
- Be committed to this programme/learning style
- Have strong support from the school and family
- Have the physical ability to do the required practical work

To apply, complete the enrolment form online at <u>www.weltec.ac/tradesacademy</u> and also send in the required extra documents and the Confidential School Reference Form or email <u>tradesacademy@weltec.ac.nz</u> and they will send you the relevant enrolment information.

ALL students who apply, will be invited to an interview with WTA staff (starting in October 2015). Family and support people are welcome at this interview. This will ensure that students and families understand the programme and will feel confident that this is the right choice for a successful 2016.



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Wellington Trades Academy programme offerings 2016

NOTE: Venues - Weltec (Petone) and Whitireia (Porirua or Kapiti)

Programme	Level	Venue	Students
Construction Trades (Construction & Infrastructure pathway)	2	Petone	18
Engineering and Automotive (Manufacturing & Technology pathway)	2	Petone	18
Hospitality (Service Industry pathway)	2	Petone	18
Introduction to Sport and Fitness (Service Industry pathway)	2	Petone	18
Introductory Animal Care (Primary Industries pathway)	2	Petone	18
Health and Community Support (Social & Community pathway)	2	Petone	18
Hair and Beauty (Service Industries pathway)	2	Petone	18
Engines and Electricity (Manufacturing & Technology and Construction & Infrastructure pathways)	2	Porirua	18
Salon Environment (Service Industries pathway)	2	Kapiti	18
Hospitality and Tourism (Service Industries pathway)	2	Porirua	18
Trades Skills (Construction & Infrastructure pathway)	2	Porirua	18
Early Childhood Studies (Social & Community pathway)	2	Porirua	18

Notes: All programme listed above still need to go through final September academic approval. For more information about Vocational Pathways - see <u>www.youthguarantee.net.nz</u>

What Next? If you are interested in discussing this opportunity further with the school, please do not hesitate to contact CHUNI BHIKHA (Wellington High School Careers Advisor) at <u>chuni.bhikha@whs.school.nz</u> or on 3858911 Ext 827 to make an appointment.

If you are happy that this is a good choice, please go ahead and complete your application and notify us of your interest in The Trades Academy (indicating the name of the programme). We would recommend that you make a visit to the Trades Academy before you make your final decision. From here, we would meet with you to discuss the make-up of your school programme for 2016.