

Pathways Newsletter



Our Pathways & Gateway Team

Wellington High School careers team are available to meet with students to help with subject choice selection, enrolling for tertiary study, applying for scholarships, STAR & Trades Academy choices, CV preparation, applying for jobs, and more. Wellington High School has a dedicated team that provides guidance and assistance throughout this process.

Please contact the team below for any pathway-related advice.



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What's Coming Up?

- University of Auckland's Faculty of Engineering and Design Info Evening 🖥️
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👉 For more details on any of these, keep reading!

NEW CAREERS WEBSITE ANNOUNCEMENT!!



EXPLORE

ALL NEWS EVENTS JOBS SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are offered by universities, companies and private organisations to students from all over New Zealand.

The purpose of a scholarship is to help finance a student's educational journey to reduce the value of the individual's student loan. Scholarship money is particularly useful for helping to pay course costs, living costs, and food costs among other things. It is important to note that different scholarships might only help in specific areas.

There are hundreds of scholarships available every year to Year 13 students. Provided you are eligible, you are in with a chance of being awarded one.

It's essential to know that scholarships are competitive, have limited numbers and follow strict deadlines. To have the best chance of success, it is crucial you get onto them early. School holidays are the ideal time to look and apply for scholarships as you don't have the distractions that come with term time.

Helpful CV, cover letter and job seeking information

Anyone searching for and applying for a job will need to produce a good CV to showcase what they have to offer. This applies for part-time work while you are at school, an apprenticeship or full-time employment.

CVs can be quite basic when you have little or no work experience and in this case will focus more on your personal qualities and transferable skills. Those are skills you can transfer from your involvement in: sports, music, cultural activities, hobbies, school leadership roles, volunteering work and so on.

The CareersNZ website has some great tips and information about CVs and Cover Letters, as well as interview preparation, job hunting advice and more!

[How to write a CV](#)
[CV and cover letter templates](#)
[Find action verbs for your CV](#)
[Interview Preparation](#)

[Check out our new Careers Website HERE!](#)

What's on offer?:

- Information on Pathways, Gateway, STAR Courses, and Trades Academy
- NZ Universities and Polytechnics
- Industry Training Organisations
- Scholarships, Grants, and Studylink Information
- Gap Year and Student Exchanges
- Tuatahū – Career Navigator
- Getting a Job – CVs, Cover Letters, Etc
- News and Upcoming Events
- And Much More!

For any questions or further information, please contact Angela Pelham, Pathways Administrator, at pma@whs.school.nz.

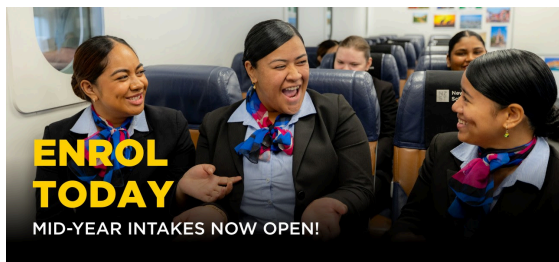


Find out what it's like to be part of the **University of Auckland's Faculty of Engineering and Design — May 22nd**

These info sessions will provide a detailed overview of our programmes, covering key aspects such as course highlights, structure, entry requirements, scholarships, and the various support services available to enhance your study journey.

You'll also experience campus life and learn about the dynamic student clubs and communities waiting for you. Plus, join an engaging Q&A session to connect with current students, alumni, and faculty members, as well as explore topics like specialisations, career opportunities, and more.

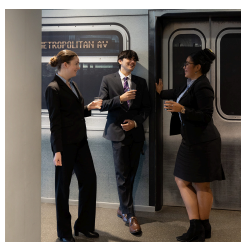
Click [HERE](#) to register to attend.



Boarding Now: Mid-Year Courses!

Take flight with our upcoming courses. Whether you're keen on a career in travel and tourism, flight attending, or you just want to get out into the world, you won't be stuck in a classroom when you study with NZST. Our courses teach you valuable skills in an environment that supports you, builds your confidence and where you'll make lifelong friends.

[Certificate in Tourism Level 3](#)



Gain customer service and communication skills, and learn about tourism destinations, aviation law, and more.

[Certificate in Flight Attending & Aviation Level 4](#)



This course covers all things aviation, from grooming to customer service, safety and emergency procedures and more.

[Certificate in Tourism Level 4](#)



Gain a deep understanding of NZ's tourism industry, special interest tourism, hotel and hospitality operations and more.

[Diploma in Tourism & Travel Management Level 5](#)



This programme includes modules in tourism marketing, sustainability in tourism, as well as a case-study on Disney World.

Click the links above for more information, or contact Chuni Bhikha, Pathways Advisor at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502 to register your interest.

Girls with Hi-Vis: Industry Experience Days!



Girls with Hi-Vis® gives female students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience, hear from inspirational women in the industry and learn what a career in the infrastructure industries, as well as other important trade sectors, can offer.

HEB Construction (Tues 10 June)

During the event, your students will hear presentations from HEB Construction Managers and Connexis Account Managers, who will provide insights into the civil industry and the skills needed to work with civil equipment.

After being welcomed by mana whenua and hearing about the cultural importance of the site, students will get a walk through, look at the ecological challenges, experience the machinery and more. Students will be divided into groups and engage in hands-on activities.

FULTON HOGAN (Wed 25 June)

During the event, your students will hear presentations from Fulton Hogan Managers and Connexis Account Managers, who will provide insights into the civil industry and the skills needed to work with civil equipment.

Fulton Hogan will provide an informative introduction to some key roles and tasks within the Civil and Infrastructure industry. Students will get an opportunity to ask questions and gain advice about a career within the industry. They will be divided into groups to experience hands-on activities.

To learn more about these opportunities, check out [this link](#).

If you are interested, please contact Chuni at bac@whs.school.nz or drop in to S502 for a chat.



Kia Ora!

Any year 13 students interested in our Aircraft Maintenance Programme for 2026, please ensure that they have expressed their interest/made an enquiry via our website www.airnzlearning.co.nz.

Placement testing is being held in July only for places on 2026 courses. There will be no further dates for testing at this stage. Placement testing consists of (1) literacy & numeracy, (2) Maths & Physics (Based on Level 2) & an Interview (looking for practical/hand tools experience/engineering experience as well as an interest in aviation)

Registrations are not open yet. Ensure your students have expressed interest so that they are notified when registrations open.

University of Canterbury Scholarship Resource

Scholarships

UC offers a range of scholarships every year to help fund our students' study. Some recognise academic excellence and sporting achievements, while others focus on social inclusion and are awarded on the basis of hardship. Search the scholarships available and apply online.

[Search our scholarships database](#)

[Start and manage your applications](#)



The university of Canterbury has created a new self-guided resource for you and your students. This includes tips directly from scholarships panels, examples, and a guide of exactly what we are looking for in each scholarship. It also includes a 'What should I apply for' section to help students find what is relevant to them. It has far more detail and advice than I have been able to offer at previous in-person presentations and I'm hoping students can use this whilst constructing their applications.

[This version is best viewed on a laptop screen.](#)

[This version is best viewed on a phone screen.](#)

Scholarships open in June, but please note the earlier closing date of **7 August 2025**.



Applications are now OPEN for We the Women, our FULLY FUNDED, in-person, 2 day Hackfest designed for young women who are passionate about: Gender Equality, Technology, Innovation, Finance, Business, Entrepreneurship, Design, Leadership, Science, Engineering, or Mathematics. At We the Women, you will join other women to collaborate on a project to solve a real world problem facing women in the world today.

Who: Young women aged 17 - 25. You could be interested in Gender Equality, Technology, Innovation, Finance, Business,

Wellington High School, Term 2, Week 5

Entrepreneurship, Design, Leadership, Science, Engineering, or Mathematics.

What: Fully Funded 2 Day Hackfest

Where: Spark HQ, 50 Albert Street, Central Auckland, New Zealand

When: July 12th & July 13th 2025

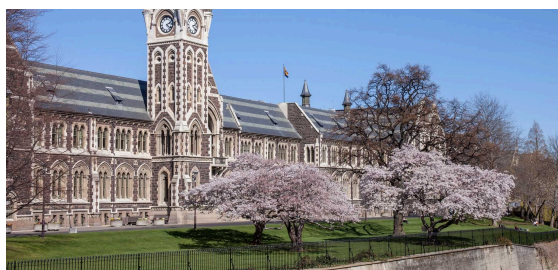
[Learn More and Apply Now](#)



At one of our information evenings for students and parents, you'll learn all about:

- Otago overview – What the University of Otago can offer you
- Accommodation – Life in a residential college, admission, scholarships, costs, support
- Study options – Arts, Law, Business, Sciences and Health Sciences

LOCATION	DATE	VENUE
Wellington (Central)	Wednesday 28 May, 6pm	Sky Stadium Function Centre, 105 Waterloo Quay, Pipitea, Wellington
Wellington (Hutt Valley)	Thursday 29 May, 6pm	The Dowse Art Museum, 45 Laings Road, Hutt Central, Lower Hutt



University of Otago Open Days!

Otago Open Days is a two-day event where you can talk to our lecturers, explore our campus and check out student work. You'll find people available to show you around, answer your questions and give you a taste of

life at Otago Polytechnic. Most importantly, you'll get to know what you need to do to prepare for your tertiary study in advance.

Over both days, our staff will be available to chat about your career aspirations and the programmes we offer. We have many activities planned, including taster workshops and presentations from our lecturers. It is also a great chance to tour Te Pā Tauira – our hall of residence. While you're here, you'll also have the chance to view the projects completed by our previous learners. It's a great way to experience the learning opportunities that await you.

Full Schedule of what is on at Otago Polytechnic: [Otago Open Days 2025 Event Schedule](#)

Further information is available on our website: <https://www.op.ac.nz/about/events/otago-open-days-2025>



Interested in Law?

Come along to our Law at Otago presentation to hear from faculty staff and recent graduates.

When: Monday 23 June 2025

Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Where: Wellington High School, Library, Wellington

Please register at: <http://SchoolVisitsForm>

For more information, visit otago.ac.nz/law

Or contact:
Tel: 03 470 4611

Email: lawcareerevents@otago.ac.nz



Meet our fantastic law lecturers and hear about studying law at Otago!

You'll learn what a Law degree involves and why it's a great choice for university study. Law is training for life! Practical examples of how

we teach the law will also feature in the session.

The career events are targeted to year 12 and 13 students and run for 1 hour. We also invite parents to attend. Please check the attached poster for more details, and our webpage [Law @ Otago Events](#).

University of Otago Scholarship for Year 13 Māori Students!

The REACH Otago Scholarship is the opportunity for twenty Year 13 Māori students to spend three nights and days on the University of Otago's Dunedin campus. Students from across New Zealand experience university life first-hand: living in, and visiting, residential colleges; attending lectures; meeting current Otago students; and learning about the various degree and study options Otago offers, particularly in health.

The Scholarship covers; flights, accommodation, food and activities over 3 days. The 2025 programme will be run from Aug 4 – Aug 7.

Applications for the scholarship are on our webpage: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/mhwdu/tearahauora>



Applications are now OPEN for GirlBoss Edge: Tech for Good, our 10-day online accelerator designed for young women aged 15- 21 with a passion for Technology, Business, Engineering, Innovation, or Social Impact. No prior experience or knowledge is required.

This self-paced programme is designed to fit around your busy schedule, with just 1-2 hours a day to commit to unlocking your full potential. **From June 27th – July 6th 2025.**

[Learn more and apply NOW](#)



Youth Impact is a dynamic initiative powered by Volunteer Wellington, designed to engage and empower young people through meaningful volunteer opportunities.

Empower youth with **life skills and work experience**.

Foster a strong sense of **community and belonging**.

Create **accessible and inclusive** volunteer opportunities.

Find out more here:

<https://volunteerwellington.nz/youthimpact/>



Evolve Wellington Youth Service offers Learner Licence workshops to support young people in gaining their driver's licence. The workshops are open to anyone aged 15-24 years based in Wellington. They are free and cover all the content you will need to learn to pass your Theory Test and get on the road safely. The workshops are drop-in-based and are completely at your own pace. We will help you pay the test fee and to get the necessary I.D. (e.g. Birth Certificate) to sit the test.

If you are keen to get involved, please get in touch with us. You don't have to be registered with Evolve to join our groups.

<https://www.evolveyouth.org.nz/learner-licence>

WHEN & WHERE:

Thursdays: 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm @ Evolve Youth Service.

These times and locations may vary during school holidays. Please contact us, or check out our social media, to stay up-to-date.

CONTACT:

projects@evolveyouth.org.nz



OPEN DAY

THURS **29** MAY | 10 AM - 1 PM

REGISTER NOW | Scan the QR code or book your place at nzma.co.nz

NZMA NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF SPORT @NZECONOMY COLLECTIVE



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THURS **29** MAY | 10 AM - 1 PM

REGISTER NOW | Scan the QR code or book your place at nzis.co.nz

NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF SPORT NZMA @NZECONOMY COLLECTIVE

Girls in Infrastructure®

Event Details:



Location: TBC



Date: Thursday 19th June 2025



Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Students will be able to explore the diverse career opportunities in the infrastructure sector, through hands-on experiences and expert guidance:

1. Industry Exhibitions – Meet leading infrastructure companies and education providers.
2. Heavy Machinery Showcase – Get up close with cranes, diggers, and more.
3. Site Visit #1 – *Details to be confirmed.*
4. Site Visit #2 – *Details to be confirmed.*

These events offer an unparalleled opportunity for students to:

- ◆ Step onto live construction sites and experience real-world infrastructure projects
- ◆ Get up close with heavy machinery like diggers, cranes, dump trucks and more!
- ◆ Engage with leading infrastructure companies and education providers to discuss opportunities in the sector

For more details, visit our website:

www.girlsininfrastructure.org.nz



If you are interested, please add your details in the table under each piece of information in the form above, or contact Chuni at bac@whs.school.nz or drop in to S502 for a chat.

If you are interested in attending the NZMA or NZIS Open Day, please contact Chuni Bhikha, Pathways Advisor at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502 to register your interest.

Whitireia & WelTec Term 2 (Yr11 - Yr13) - Taster Schedule 2025

Whitireia & WelTec offer Tasters to secondary school students that run half-days to full-days. These provide experiences for ākonga in a variety of programmes. If you are interested in attending these taster programmes please contact Chuni Bhikha (Pathways Advisor) at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502.

Programme	Campus	Term	Dates	Time
Taster Introduction to Bakery	Petone	2	Wednesday 18 June	9:30am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Carpentry	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 13 June	9:30am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Painting & Decorating	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 13 June	9:30am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Tiling & Plastering	Porirua, J Block	2	Friday 13 June	9:30am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Plumbing	Petone	2	Friday 13 June	9:30am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Commercial Dance	65 Dixon St	2	Tuesday 10 June	8:45am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Musical Theatre	65 Dixon St	2	Tuesday 10 June	8:45 am–2:30 pm
Taster Introduction to Drama	65 Dixon St	2	Wednesday 11 June	9:00am–2:30pm
Taster Introduction to Music	65 Dixon St	2	Friday 6 June	9:30am–2:30pm



TERM TWO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Monday 30 th June 2025 – Friday 11 th July 2025				
Game Design School Holiday SHP	NIL	N/A	N/A	30 th June – 04 th July 2025
Animation School Holiday SHP	US29791	3	2	30 th June – 04 th July 2025
Character Design & Illustration SHP	US29793	3	5	07 th July – 11 th July 2025
Film-Making SHP	NIL	N/A	N/A	07 th July – 11 th July 2025
TERM TWO Monday 13 th July 2025 – Friday 19 th September 2025				
NCEA Credit Course – Digital Illustration	US29771	2	3	16 th July – 17 th Sept 2025
*Wednesday Only	US29772	2	3	
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NCEA Credit Course – Game Development	US18741	3	6	17 th July – 18 th Sept 2025
*Thursday Only	US18750	3	5	



New Zealand School of Tourism

TERM TWO SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 28/06/2025 – 13/07/2025

STAR TASTER BLOCK COURSES	UNIT STANDARD	LEVEL	CREDIT	DATES AVAILABLE
5 Day – Ground school Flight Attending	US9245 US21834	2 2	2 2	30 th of June 2025 – 4 th of July 2025
5 Day – Travel & Tourism	US24728 US57	2 2	3 2	30 th of June 2025 – 4 th of July 2025
5 Day – Flight Attending	US25192 US25456	3 3	4 2	7 th July – 11 th July 25
5 Day – Careers in Travel & Tourism	US23755 US25194	3 3	3 2	7 th July – 11 th July 25

TERM THREE 14/07/2025 – 19/09/2025

STAR TASTER BLOCK COURSES	UNIT STANDARD	LEVEL	CREDIT	DATES AVAILABLE
10 Week Block course - Prepare for Departure (Level 2) Times: 09.00am – 04.00pm	US24731 US24732 US18237	2 2 2	4 3 3	16 th July 2025 – 17 th September 2025 (Wednesday Delivery)
10 Week Block course – Earn your Wings (Level 3) Times: 09.00am – 04.00pm	US25192 US25456 US20676	3 3 3	4 2 3	17 th July 2025 – 18 th September 2025 (Thursday Delivery)
10 Week Block Course – Heed Your Calling in Tourism (Level 3) Times: 09.00am – 04.00pm	US24733 US23755 US25194	3 3 3	5 3 2	18 th July 2025 – 19 th September 2025 (Friday Delivery)



TERM THREE 14/07/2025 – 19/09/2025

STAR TASTER BLOCK COURSES	UNIT STANDARD	LEVEL	CREDIT	DATES AVAILABLE
10 Week Take Your First Step – Cosmetology Block Course	US27644 US28946 US27164	3 3 3	4 4 4	FRIDAY ONLY: 18JUL25 – 19SEP25
10 Week Block Course – Fashion & Beauty Foundation *TBC	US27640 US27639 US27641	2 2 2	3 3 3	FRIDAY ONLY: 02MAY25 – 27JUN25 *Please note Friday is a PH so the course will be moved to the Thursday 19 th June

TERM THREE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 20/09/2025 – 05/10/2025

STAR TASTER BLOCK COURSES	UNIT STANDARD	LEVEL	CREDIT	DATES AVAILABLE
5 Day Beyond Beauty	US27640	2	3	22/09/25 - 26/09/25
5 Day Beauty Basics	US28946	3	4	22/09/25 - 26/09/25

If you are interested in any of the opportunities above, please contact Chuni Bhikha, Pathways Advisor, at bac@whs.school.nz or drop into S502 to register your interest.