Information for students – 2020

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| Study Abroad Office | Sherry Fan and Julia Lange  
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Auckland 1010  
Postal address: Private Bag 90219  
Auckland 1142 |
| Study Abroad website | [www.auckland.ac.nz/studyabroad](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/studyabroad) |

Semester dates

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| Lectures incl. exams | 6 January – 19 February  
* Summer School is subject to eligibility | 2 March – 29 June | 20 July – 16 November |
| Academic dates | [www.auckland.ac.nz/dates](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/dates) |

Orientation

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Programme information

The orientation programme is mandatory for new international students as it provides helpful settling-in information and events giving students a wonderful opportunity to meet other students and make new friends.  
Information about orientation is updated around two weeks before semester start. Please check out [orientation programme](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/studyabroad) online.

Language information

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### Language proficiency

All applicants for whom English is a second language are required to provide evidence of their proficiency in the English language.

The required score for exchange students is:

**IELTS (academic), total of 6.0, no band less than 5.5 (or equivalent).**

*We accept a number of other English language test results including TOEFL, Cambridge, MELAB and Pearsons – please see our website for more details: www.auckland.ac.nz/is-english.*

### Programme

#### Academic programme for exchange students

Exchange students are considered “non-degree” students at the University of Auckland and are enrolled in the **COPEX (Certificate of Proficiency for Exchange)** programme. Students who have been accepted into the COPEX programme can select courses as outlined in the course information section on pages 3-4.

### Application

#### Nomination and application period

**Summer School 2020:**

*Email us to check the eligibility*

**Semester One 2020:**

15 September – 15 October 2019

**Semester Two 2020:**

1 March – 1 April 2020

#### Step 1: Nomination for partners

1. **Eligibility:** Applicants must have completed at least one full-time year at our partner university and have a better-than-average academic record (equivalent to a B average at the University of Auckland). Nominations are considered based on relevant student exchange agreements. Generic exchange agreements exclude placements in the Faculty of Law and the School of Nursing.

2. **The home university must submit an online form to nominate students during the nomination period. We’ll email you the link to the online form before the nomination opens.**

3. **No nominations will be accepted by email or outside of the nomination period.**
## Step 2: Online application for students

1. Please advise your students to apply online for the COPEX programme at [www.auckland.ac.nz/applynow](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/applynow) after you submit the nomination form.

2. A step-by-step guide to the online application process is available at [www.auckland.ac.nz/is-application-guide](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/is-application-guide)

3. Students are responsible to upload the documents online with their application:
   - Copy of passport front page which is signed and stamped by home university (or notarised)
   - Copy of academic transcript in English, including all courses the applicant has completed and in progress
   - Proof of English language proficiency (if applicable)
   - Upload an ID card photo at [https://campuscard.auckland.ac.nz](https://campuscard.auckland.ac.nz). For photo requirements please refer to [www.auckland.ac.nz/idphoto](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/idphoto)

## Application status

We recommend applicants check their application status by signing into the online Application for Admission approximately three weeks after applying online and submitting supporting documents. Follow the steps at [www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-status](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-status)

## Course information

### Course enrolment

Once students have received an offer of place in the COPEX programme, they must accept their offer online in order to enrol. They can then initiate course enrolment at [www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-enrol](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-enrol).

Exchange students can now **directly enrol into most courses** (some exceptions apply).

However, they should apply for “concession” to enrol in courses that require Auckland faculty approval. In this process, faculties assess whether their prior study meets relevant course prerequisites and notify them accordingly. In some occasions, they may be asked to provide course outlines/syllabi in English for courses equivalent to Auckland prerequisite requirements.

Detailed instructions on course enrolment are also provided in the offer of admission letter.

### Full-time study course load

The standard course load for full-time study is 50-60 points per semester or 100-120 points per year. Most courses are weighted 15 points and students generally take four courses per semester. Information on specific credit-points is available in our course catalogue [www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice).
### Hours of study
A standard semester course of 15 points represents 150 hours of study or 10 hours of study per week for 15 weeks (12 teaching weeks and three weeks of study break and examinations). The student workload in the teaching weeks would total 120 hours, made up of lectures, tutorials, seminars, laboratory classes, and other face-to-face contact, plus independent study as appropriate for each course.

### Course availability
Course descriptions and schedules are published in **early November** for the subsequent year (Semesters One and Two).

Brief course descriptions as well as information on course prerequisites and restrictions are available in our course catalogue [www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice).

For more detailed course descriptions, please refer to relevant faculty websites.

### Academic Integrity Course
Students starting a new programme at the University of Auckland (including exchange students) will be automatically enrolled in the online Academic Integrity Course (ACADINT A01). This is a no-credit bearing course designed to increase student knowledge of academic integrity, university rules relating to academic conduct, and the identification and consequences of academic misconduct.

Students are required to complete this course with 6 out of 6 in all modules to pass. Failure to complete the course will result in a Did Not Complete (DNC) grade on the official University of Auckland academic transcript.

### Course selection
Exchange students can select courses across different disciplines provided they meet course prerequisites and the courses are not restricted (see “course restrictions”). Information about our course structure can be found on Student Services Online [www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-enrol](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-enrol).

### Subject-specific course selection
Undergraduate students in **Law** from non-Commonwealth countries must enrol in "LAWGENRL 443 – Introduction to Common Law" (10 points), a course usually offered in the week prior to the official start of semester.
### Course restrictions (not available to study abroad and exchange students)

- Courses offered in Medicine, Surgery, Pharmacy and Optometry.
- Nursing and Law courses are only available for students from partner institutions which have special agreements with our school/faculty (note courses generally commence before the official start of semester).
- Courses running for the whole academic year - e.g. PSYCH 308A and 308B (except students enrolled for the whole University of Auckland academic year – February to November).
- 100 level courses in Fine Arts, Architecture and Planning (unless you are majoring in this subject at your home university).
- BUSINESS 101 and BUSINESS 102.
- Graduate School of Management courses running on a quarterly basis – e.g. BUSACT, BUSADMIN etc.
- Courses ending with the letters F or H - e.g. HISTORY 91F or MAORIHTH 14H. These are foundation year courses and not appropriate for Exchange students.
- Stage I Engineering courses (ENGGEN 115, ENGGEN 121, ENGGEN 131, ENGGEN 140, ENGGEN 150, ENGSCI 111, ELECTENG 101, CHEMMAT 121) except for those ending in G.
- Courses offered in the Faculty of Law - Part II courses, Part III yearlong courses and Part IV Advocacy, Mediation and Negotiation courses.
- Policy 702
- GLOBAL 100, GLOBAL 200 & GLOBAL 300

### Courses with very limited enrolment availability

- Courses showing the letter “G” – e.g. PHYSICS 107G.
- Biological Science, Psychology and Computer Science courses
- 700 level Finance and Accounting courses.

We recommend that you have a second choice option for each course with limited enrolment availability. Students from these areas must apply early, in particular for Semester Two.

### Postgraduate courses

Students who hold the equivalent of a New Zealand undergraduate degree may be able to take postgraduate courses if course prerequisites are met and accepted by the faculty.

The exchange programme is restricted to course work only and does not include thesis writing and supervision.

Students who wish to take a full-year course load at postgraduate level are advised to apply as an international student to the University of Auckland for a one-year postgraduate programme.
### Courses with additional application requirements

Many courses in **Fine Arts, Architecture and Music** require submission of supplementary information such as a portfolio or DVD audition. Please refer to our website for more information: [www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app](http://www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app).

Students may also contact our colleagues at the Creative Arts and Industries (CAI): [info-creative@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:info-creative@auckland.ac.nz).

For **language courses** students must complete a Language Ability Declaration to ensure that they are placed at an appropriate level. For more information refer to [www.arts.auckland.ac.nz/language-enrolment](http://www.arts.auckland.ac.nz/language-enrolment).

Or contact our colleagues at the Faculty of Arts: [asc@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:asc@auckland.ac.nz).

### Learning disability services

Student Disability Services provides academic accommodations for students with specific learning disabilities. Exchange students who are affected by a learning impairment must apply for this before the semester start with the documents below:

1. Letter/certificate to explain details of learning disabilities from the doctor or professional
2. Letter to explain details of the services they receive from a home university.

Students may be requested to sit a learning assessment upon arrival. For details, please contact [disabilities@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:disabilities@auckland.ac.nz).

### Visa

#### Student visa requirements

Exchange students must apply for “**Exchange Student Visa**” to Immigration New Zealand and obtain their **student visa prior to entering New Zealand**. Please contact the nearest New Zealand embassy or consulate for details of visa and application requirements: [www.immigration.govt.nz](http://www.immigration.govt.nz)

Exchange students should not enter New Zealand on a visitor visa.

#### Work restrictions on a student visa

Under current Immigration New Zealand regulations, only exchange students **who are undertaking a full-time study for least one academic year and who are part of an approved tertiary student exchange scheme** are able to work on a student visa.

Eligible students will automatically be given the work right of a maximum of 20 hours in any given week, including holidays.

Exchange students who are studying here for one semester only, are **not allowed to work** on a student visa and are therefore not eligible to apply for a variation of conditions to their student visa.

Full details of visa requirements, advice on rights to employment in New Zealand while studying, as well as reporting requirements are available on the Immigration New Zealand website [www.immigration.govt.nz](http://www.immigration.govt.nz).

Work restrictions are stated on the Student Visa application guide.
# Health and Travel Insurance

| Mandatory health and travel insurance | All enrolled international students are required to have approved health and travel insurance (regardless of the visa type) for the duration of their visa or until they depart New Zealand, whichever comes first. The University of Auckland’s preferred insurance policy for international students is Studentsafe-University. Please refer to Studentsafe University policy wording for full terms and conditions [www.auckland.ac.nz/is-insurance](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/is-insurance). The Studentsafe insurance fee will be charged to a student’s account 48-72 hours after enrolment. The Studentsafe University insurance fee must be paid unless the University of Auckland approves the use of an alternative insurance provider. Students who have an approved alternative insurance policy may apply for the insurance charge to be waived. Insurance waiver applications must be received before the second Friday of the semester. If your policy is included in the University's list of not approved insurance policies, it will not be accepted and you will be required to pay for the Studentsafe Inbound University policy. If you have an insurance policy that is not on either approved or not approved lists of policies, then you are required to send your insurance policy documents for an assessment at least four weeks prior to the semester start date. For more details, please refer to our website. Studentsafe-University insurance cover starts 16 days prior to programme start date and ends on a student’s arrival back in their country of origin, following completion of their course of study; or on the expiry of their current student visa, whichever is the earlier. **Australian citizens and residents** Due to the Reciprocal Health Care Agreement between New Zealand and Australia it is not mandatory for students with Australian citizenship or residency to be covered by the Studentsafe-University insurance policy. However, we strongly advise these students to have appropriate health and travel insurance while studying in New Zealand as medical treatment often incurs a charge. For more information on the reciprocal agreement with Australia please refer to [http://www.health.govt.nz/new-zealand-health-system/eligibility-publicly-funded-health-services/reciprocal-health-agreements](http://www.health.govt.nz/new-zealand-health-system/eligibility-publicly-funded-health-services/reciprocal-health-agreements). |
| Estimated fees for health and travel insurance | 2020 Studentsafe-University premium per semester: Approx. NZ$310 2020 Studentsafe-University premium full year: Approx. NZ$620 |
| Medications | Students can bring up to a three months’ supply of prescription medication into New Zealand; for oral contraceptives, students can bring six months of medication. If students bring medication beyond this length of time, it is at the student’s own risk as it could be taken away by New Zealand Customs Officials. Medication must be stored in its original container and should be accompanied with the prescription or a doctor’s note. You must declare your prescription medicine on your arrival card. Students should make an appointment to see a doctor six weeks prior to their medication running out to ensure that they get a new prescription in time. |
### Accommodation

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<td>Exchange students who wish to stay in the University accommodation must apply online at <a href="http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz">www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz</a> unless your home university or provider arranges this.</td>
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<td><strong>PlACES are guaranteed as long as they apply by the deadline.</strong></td>
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<td>Apply by 15 October in the previous year (for Semester 1) or 1 May (for Semester 2) indicating your UoA programme (Certificate of Proficiency – Exchange) and we will guarantee university housing. You have to pay $750 deposit when you accept the placement.</td>
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<td>Confidential references and visa document are not required for Study Abroad and Exchange students to apply for accommodation.</td>
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<td><strong>Off-campus housing</strong></td>
<td>Students who do not wish to stay in a University residence are responsible for finding their own accommodation but may seek guidance from our Accommodation Advisory Service: <a href="http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/advice">www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/advice</a> or <a href="mailto:advisoryaccom@auckland.ac.nz">advisoryaccom@auckland.ac.nz</a></td>
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<td><strong>Guaranteed Accommodation application deadline</strong></td>
<td>Semester One 2020: Open on 1 August Close on 15 October 2019 Semester Two 2020: Open on 1 April Close on 1 May 2020</td>
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<td><strong>Airport pick-up</strong></td>
<td>Airport pick-up is free if you apply for it at least seven days prior to your arrival in Auckland. Information about airport pick-up and a link to the application form are provided in your offer of admission letter.</td>
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<td><strong>Arrival time</strong></td>
<td>Students may arrive in New Zealand any time before orientation, but within the limits of their visa. If you have a confirmed place in University accommodation and plan to arrive earlier than the beginning of the residential agreement period, you should contact the accommodation management team to discuss the possibility of moving in earlier. If this is not possible, you will be required to organise your own temporary accommodation.</td>
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### Cost of living

| **Estimated living expenses (in NZD)** | Students should expect to pay NZ$6,500-$9,000 per semester (NZ$359-485 per week) for accommodation and day-to-day living expenses, including meals. See more about the cost of living in Auckland here. |
| **On-campus accommodation (2020)** | We commit to offering university accommodation to every exchange student who applies to the University by the deadline, and upon paying a deposit. |
Living on campus is a great way for you to immerse yourself in University of Auckland life as you adjust to living away from home. From single rooms in shared flats to studio apartments, our self-catered residences offer students the opportunity to live within our thriving campus community.

University housing fees can vary from $284-$377 per week includes water, electricity, and wifi.

*Accommodation fees listed for 2020 are in NZD$ per week and are subject to final confirmation.

Fees for specific halls of residences can be viewed at [www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/fees](http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/fees)

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<td>Textbooks</td>
<td>Up to approximately NZ$600 per semester (not compulsory; digital, second-hand or library versions of textbooks may be available)</td>
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<td>Photocopying</td>
<td>Approximately NZ$5 per week (10 cents per page).</td>
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<td>Approximately NZ$25 per month.</td>
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<td>Travel</td>
<td>With an AT Hop travel card: Approximately NZ$35 per week. For more fares refer to the Auckland Transport website: <a href="http://www.at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry/foares-discounts/bus-train-fares">www.at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry/foares-discounts/bus-train-fares</a></td>
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<td>Approximately NZ$120 per week – if not included in residence plan.</td>
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### Faculty information

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| Faculty of Arts  | Business School  
| www.business.auckland.ac.nz | Creative Arts and Industries (CAI)  
| www.creative.auckland.ac.nz | Faculty of Education and Social Work  
| www.education.auckland.ac.nz | Faculty of Engineering  
| www.engineering.auckland.ac.nz | Faculty of Law  
| www.law.auckland.ac.nz | Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences  
| www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz | Faculty of Science  
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