



New Zealand Diploma in Business (Level 5) (Leadership and Management)

Location

Auckland

This programme is also offered at our Dunedin Campus. Visit op.ac.nz for programme details.

Duration

One year full-time

Delivery

On campus

Credits

120

DescLevel

120

Intakes

February
April
July
October

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Focus on the skills you need to work effectively and successfully in a range

of operational roles in business.

All business organisations need highly capable and competent members of a team who demonstrate the potential to lead staff, ensure targets align with strategic objectives, manage projects, and contribute to business planning to achieve high performance and productivity.

This programme is very practical and, with courses such as Business Environment, Leadership and Organisational Planning, will give you the skills you need to make you a valued employee who can contribute from day one in an organisation.

A great springboard into further study, graduates of this programme are eligible to enter the second year of our [Bachelor of Applied Management degree](#). You could also enter other relevant industry or professional qualifications at Level 6 or above.

What will I learn?

This programme teaches you to think conceptually and to adapt to change. It's designed to allow you to:

- apply a broad range of generic business knowledge and skills as well as specialised knowledge and skills in your selected field of business
- be proactive to changes in the local, national and global business environment
- demonstrate business skills including problem solving, decision-making, negotiating, and using technology effectively
- develop and manage innovative approaches to business practice
- practice business in a legal, sustainable, ethical and culturally-appropriate manner
- appreciate the impact of different cultures on business practice in New Zealand
- communicate, collaborate and build networks effectively with a diverse range of individuals, teams and organisations
- gather and select information from a diverse range of sources to inform business practice
- take responsibility for continued learning and career development.

Courses

You will study eight courses during this programme, each worth 15 credits.

Business Environments

Business Functions

Business Planning

Change and Innovation

Introduction to Leadership

Managing Projects

Operations Management and Compliance

Organisations in an Aotearoa New Zealand Context

Your workload

It is expected that you will study for 37.5 hours per week, including a minimum of 8 hours per week in structured direct learning, some hours in an applied workplace or learning environment and up to 27 hours per week in self-directed study.

Entry requirements

- The minimum academic entry criteria is NCEA Level 2 including 10 UE literacy credits; however it is preferred that applicants have achieved NCEA Level 3.
- Students older than 20 years of age must have equivalent life/work experience or an equivalent qualification to the above.
- International students will be individually assessed to ensure they meet the entry requirements. Click [here](#) for equivalent academic entry requirements by country.
- If English is not your first language, you must provide:
 - New Zealand University Entrance OR
 - Overall Academic IELTS 5.5 with no individual band score lower than 5.0 (achieved in one test completed in the last two years), OR
 - Acceptable alternative evidence of the required IELTS ([see here for NZQA proficiency table](#) and [here for list of recognised proficiency tests](#)).

What if I don't meet the entry requirements?

Our [New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways \(Level 4\)](#) offers the perfect pathway into this qualification.

Find out more

For more information, please reach out to a member of our international marketing team for a chat.

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Cancellation of a programme

Any programme of study, course or course occurrence may be cancelled or postponed where there are insufficient numbers. As far as is practically possible, we avoid cancelling or making other significant changes less than two weeks before the programme starts (or five working days for short courses). If this happens, we will do our best to suggest alternative study options for you. If you don't want to do the alternative programme, we will give you a full refund. For international students, if a programme change affects your visa status, we will let you know and support you to find an alternative option. We also advise Immigration New Zealand of any programme change that will affect international students.

Intakes:

Course	Description	Dates
25-AIC-01	Auckland International Campus	10 Feb 2025
25-AIC-02	Auckland International Campus	28 Apr 2025
25-AIC-04	Auckland International Campus	13 Oct 2025
25-AIC-03	Auckland International Campus	28 Jul 2025