International Customised Programmes

We offer transformative, high-quality, customised study opportunities to your students, at a world-ranked university\(^1\), while they experience the culture of one of the world's most diverse and vibrant countries.\(^2,3\)

We will partner with you to provide your students with opportunities that
- Complement their existing study
- Develop cultural competency
- Build personal and academic skills
- Develop specific knowledge and understanding of New Zealand's culture and diversity
- Enhance their future employability

"For over a decade, students from Dartmouth College have come to the University of Auckland to explore New Zealand's past, present, and future through experiential and traditional learning opportunities. Students live in international student accommodation, experience home stays with Auckland families, learn Kapa Haka** and participate in several multi-night excursions across the North Island."

"Year after year, course evaluations show that these field trips and immersion activities are the highlight of the students' experience, while the University of Auckland’s top-ranked faculty, challenge students in the classroom.

"The University’s International Office’s staff ensures that these activities are well organised, with all logistical and health and safety details seamlessly attended to. Equally important, University staff goes out of their way to design academically enriching learning opportunities."

"The University’s short courses offer a more nuanced exploration of New Zealand history, culture, and ecology than possible for the tourist. For Dartmouth students, studying history and culture in New Zealand is a life changing experience.”

Associate Professor Laura A. Ogden, Dartmouth College, USA

We will design, develop and deliver a customised programme to meet your students’ needs.

Examples:

**Dartmouth College**
- Direct enrolment into University of Auckland Summer School (J-term) courses
- Dartmouth faculty teaching
- Marae-based* learning
- Kapa haka classes.**

**Hobart and William Smith Colleges**
- Fully customised faculty-led programme
- Customised courses taught by University of Auckland faculty
- School placements
- Field trips to both the North and South Islands.

**Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore**
- Fully customised classroom and experiential learning modules
- Leigh Marine Laboratory field trip
- Marae-based* learning
- Island conservation sanctuary visit.

**Loyola University, Maryland**
- Direct enrolment into full semester University of Auckland courses
- Customised add on regional and cultural trips.

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\(^1\) QS World University Ranking 2016/17
\(^2\) Mercer Quality of Living Ranking 2017
\(^3\) World Migration Report 2015
The New Zealand Challenge hosted by the University of Auckland was an experience of a lifetime. The nineteen day programme was structured around two complementary themes, namely environment and society. Not only were there informative lectures taught by distinguished faculty members, the off-campus learning at various significant Auckland landmarks enhanced the curriculum by allowing first-hand experience of the amazing natural and cultural history that the city has to offer.

Outside of the classroom we also spent three days at the University’s Marine Laboratory at Leigh, and two days hosted by local Māori on a marae on Waiheke Island. The programme finished with a trip to the Bay of Islands which included a tour of the Waitangi Treaty grounds where the Treaty of Waitangi was signed.

“The most impactful moment was probably the marae stay on Waiheke Island. Seeing how Māori have coped and adapted with changes in society while maintaining the integrity of their traditions made me realize that inevitable ‘change’ can be embraced and adapted to the benefit of the situation. The programme with the University of Auckland has changed my worldview and even guided me through some life-changing decisions that I have had to make since then.”

Tan Xiao En, Clara, is studying at Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore.

A short course at the University of Auckland is a great way to combine university learning and the excitement of independent travel abroad. In addition to studying in New Zealand’s top-ranked university, you’ll have the opportunity to live in and explore our beautiful and culturally-diverse city.”

Associate Professor Malcolm Campbell,
Head of Humanities, Faculty of Arts

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