

New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways

Prepare for higher-level study



Ara

Institute of Canterbury

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Gain the skills and entry requirements needed for higher level study.

The New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways is designed to equip you with the academic skills and entry requirements for a range of certificates, diplomas and degrees. It will also give you the confidence you need to take your studies to the next level.

This pathway qualification is available in two levels, as outlined over the following pages.

For more information about study and employment pathways and the Level 3 and 4 pathways, please visit ara.ac.nz/career-prep

For information on how to apply for a programme at Ara, please visit ara.ac.nz/apply

Level 3 programme structure

New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways



Level 3



Christchurch



Full-time: 19 weeks



February and July

The tables below show the courses required for each study pathway. You can study each pathway full-time or part-time over two years.

Health & Science pathway

Code	Title
CSEP300	Exploring Rangatiratanga
CSEP310	Making Sense of Calculations
CSEP320	Introduction to the Human Body
CSEP330	Developing Literacy Skills

Available in Christchurch and Timaru

Construction, Architecture and ICT pathway

Code	Title
CSEP300	Exploring Rangatiratanga
CSEP310	Making Sense of Calculations
CSEP330	Developing Literacy Skills
CSEP340	Introduction to Technical Skills

Engineering pathway

Code	Title
CSEP300	Exploring Rangatiratanga
CSEP312	Technical Mathematics
CSEP330	Developing Literacy Skills
CSEP340	Introduction to Technical Skills



Open pathway

Code	Title
CSEP300	Exploring Rangatiratanga
CSEP310	Making Sense of Calculations
CSEP330	Developing Literacy Skills

Choose ONE of the courses below

CSEP321	Introduction to Nutrition
CSEP341	Creative Practice (Semester 2 only)*
CSEP201	Mano Reo 2

*Pending approval



Level 3 Entry requirements

To be successful in Level 3 you need:

- reading skills
- writing skills
- maths skills
- computer skills [and a reliable internet connection]

We have free basic computer skills courses, and a range of other courses that can help.

Being prepared is the best way to be successful. If you have doubts about your readiness for Level 3 study you can speak with one of our team to check/discuss options. Email dohsms@ara.ac.nz to arrange this.

English language

This programme has open entry, however English language requirements apply. If English isn't your first language you may be required to provide evidence of your English language skills.

Please refer to our website for relevant IELTS information. If you have no evidence of your English language skills and you're a New Zealand citizen or resident, please contact us for an assessment.

Please note:

- All pathways are offered in Christchurch
- Only the Health & Science pathway is offered in Timaru (in February)
- The first number in the course code indicates the level (eg CSEP300 is a Level 3 course)
- All courses are 15 credits and the whole programme of four courses totals 60 credits
- Completion of the certificate does not mean automatic entry into your chosen programme. Graduates of this programme must apply and meet all requirements of their destination programme
- If your goal is a degree, you'll also need to complete the New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways Level 4
- The maximum period of time to complete the programme is two years. Extensions may be approved in some circumstances by the Head of Department

Level 3 pathways

Health & Science Pathway

New Zealand Certificate in Animal Management with Companion Animal Strand Level 4
New Zealand Diploma in Veterinary Nursing Level 6
New Zealand Diploma in Enrolled Nursing Level 5
New Zealand Certificate in Exercise Level 4

Construction, Architecture and ICT Pathway

New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways Level 4
Construction & ICT Pathway
New Zealand Certificate in Information Technology Essentials Level 4

Engineering Pathway

New Zealand Certificate in Study and Employment Pathways Level 4
Engineering Pathway

Open Pathway


New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services) Level 4
New Zealand Certificate in Music Level 4
New Zealand Certificate in Performing Arts Level 4
New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor and Adventure Education (Multiskilled) Level 4
Other New Zealand Certificates at Level 4 that require 10 credits Level 1 literacy and 10 credits level 1 numeracy


Level 4 programme structure

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 Level 4

 Christchurch

 Full-time: 19 weeks

 February and July



The tables below show the courses required for each study pathway. You can study them full-time or part-time.

Pre-Health pathway

Code	Title
CSEP410	Mastering Calculations - Pre-Health
CSEP420	Cell Biology and Chemistry
CSEP421	Human Biology and Microbial Science
CSEP430	Literacy Skills for Study and Employment: Pre-Health

Available in Christchurch, Timaru and online

Construction and ICT pathway

Code	Title
CSEP400	Developing Rangatiratanga
CSEP412	Technical Calculations
CSEP431	Literacy Skills for Study and Employment
CSEP440	Technical Skills

Engineering pathway

Code	Title
CSEP400	Developing Rangatiratanga
CSCP413	Mathematics for Engineering
CSEP431	Literacy Skills for Study and Employment
CSEP440	Technical Skills

Open pathway

Code	Title
CSEP400	Developing Rangatiratanga
CESP411	Mastering Calculations
CSEP431	Literacy Skills for Study and Employment

Choose ONE of the courses below

CSEP440	Technical Skills
CSEP420	Cell Biology and Chemistry
CSEP421	Human Biology and Microbial Science
SPOR4003	Nutrition and Lifestyle
HWCI400	Contemporary Issues in Health and Wellbeing
DGMD411	Creative Digital Skills

Level 4 Entry requirements

Academic

40 credits NCEA Level 2, including 10 Level 1 Literacy credits and 10 Level 1 Mathematic credits (with a strength in Algebra for the Engineering, and Construction & ICT Pathways and Numeracy for other pathways).

Please note that statistics and probability credits do not count towards this mathematics credits requirement.

Alternative

If you can demonstrate tertiary study skills (including literacy and numeracy) gained through work and/or life experience, you may be eligible for alternative entry. Literacy and numeracy assessments are available.

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Please note:

- All pathways are offered in Christchurch; only the Pre-Health pathway is offered in Timaru and online
- All courses are available on-site and some are available online
- Not all courses are offered during both semesters
- All courses are 15 credits and the whole programme totals 60 credits
- Completion of the certificate does not mean automatic entry into degree programmes (other requirements may apply). Entry into health degrees at Ara is competitive; often the number of applicants exceeds the number of places available



Level 4 pathways

Pre Health pathway

Bachelor of Nursing
Bachelor of Midwifery
Bachelor of Medical Imaging
Bachelor of Musculoskeletal Health
Bachelor of Applied Science
(Human Nutrition, Sport and Exercise Science,
and Health Promotion)

Construction and ICT pathway

Bachelor of Construction
Bachelor of Information and Communication Technologies
New Zealand Diploma in Construction

Engineering pathway

New Zealand Diploma in Engineering

Open pathway

Bachelor of Architectural Studies
Bachelor of Applied Management
Bachelor of Broadcasting Communications
Bachelor of Social Work
Bachelor of Sustainability and Outdoor Education
New Zealand Diploma in Architectural Technology

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