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O TĀMAKI MAKAU RAU

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Nau mai, haere mai ki AUT
WELCOME TO AUT

E ngā mana, e ngā reo
E te iti, e te rahi
E ngā mātāwaka o ngā tōpito o te ao
Ngā mahuetanga iho e kawe nei i ngā
moemoeā o rātou mā
Tēnā koutou katoa

To the prestigious, the many voices
The few, the great
To those of all races and creeds
We who remain to fulfil the dreams and
aspirations of the ancestors
Greetings one and all

Piki mai rā, kake mai rā,
Nau mai, haere mai ki tēnei o ngā wānanga
Whakatau mai i raro i te korowai āhuru o Te Wānanga
Aronui o Tāmaki Makau Rau

Climb, ascend
Embark on the journey of knowledge
Let us at AUT embrace and empower you
To strive for and achieve excellence

Te whakatupu i te kōunga, i te mana taurite me ngā tikanga matatika, i ngā pūkenga ako, i ngā pūkenga whakaako me te āta rangahau hei hāpai i ngā hāpori whānui o te motu, otirā, o te ao.

To foster excellence, equity and ethics in learning, teaching, research and scholarship, and in so doing serve our regional, national and international communities.

Cover

The cover design symbolises the far-reaching impact AUT has on students, their whānau, society and the world. The ripples represent this impact, while beneath them lies a modern Poutama pattern, symbolising the support and guidance AUT provides to students on their educational journey. A traditional Poutama design on the back connects to the front, reflecting the foundational role of Te Ao Māori in supporting and enhancing all aspects of AUT.

Disclaimer: Although every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, the information in this document is provided as a general guide only for students and is subject to change. All students enrolling at AUT should consult its official document, the AUT Calendar, which is available online at aut.ac.nz/calendar, to ensure that they are aware of, and comply with, all regulations, requirements and policies. The information contained in this programme guide was correct at the time of print, December 2024.

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1, 3 & 4 Science students have access to advanced technology and labs for research and investigation
2 The City Campus is home to AUT's science programmes and within walking distance to cinemas, bars and great shopping

New Zealand's leading modern university

AUT is proud to be one of the world's best modern universities. Times Higher Education has ranked us in the top 1% of universities in the world, the top 100 universities under 50 years of age and number one in Aotearoa New Zealand for international outlook. Study science with us and you'll join New Zealand's most diverse and vibrant university, and develop the skills for rewarding careers in a wide range of industries and professions. Across all of our programmes, we encourage innovation and entrepreneurship, and the ability to explore new technologies, challenge routine thinking and solve problems in new ways. AUT is where talent meets opportunity, and we love seeing so many of our graduates shape successful careers in different scientific fields, in New Zealand and around the world.

Practical experience during your study

As an AUT science student, you often get out of the classroom to apply your knowledge - from diving in the ocean to examine marine life and investigating forest dynamics on Mt Ruapehu, to testing food products in our food sensory suite or carrying out analyses in the lab. In your final year you could also work on a practical science project. We're connected to key industry organisations like the Department of Conservation, Department of Primary Industries, Auckland Council, New Zealand Antarctic Research Institute, Roche Diagnostics, Fonterra and many more. These are all reasons why our graduates are known for being well-prepared for their career and in high demand by employers in many industries.

Top facilities and equipment

To make sure your learning is relevant to your future career, you have access to top facilities and scientific equipment, often rivalling technology found in large industrial enterprises. The AUT Roche Diagnostics Laboratory has state-of-the-art medical and biomedical testing equipment, and is the only university lab of its kind in New Zealand. We were the first university in New Zealand to own and operate a fully auto-piloted unmanned airplane for GIS referencing surveying and 3D modelling, and our outstanding facilities also include marine research vessels and SCUBA, an analytical chemistry suite, a food sensory testing suite, a microscopy suite, and a molecular biology and microbiology suite including high-tech molecular biology and molecular analysis equipment.

Research that shapes tomorrow

Our research is focused on real-world impact, and we're proud of our reputation as a leading research university. We have a number of world-class research centres, and our research addresses issues facing the environment, society and the world. As an AUT science student you could learn from globally renowned researchers who are experts in areas as diverse as environmental science, chemistry, biomedical science, food science, analytics and mathematical science. Their research often feeds back into the classroom, and you may even be able to contribute to these research discoveries.

Oranga Tauira

STUDENT LIFE

As a modern and innovative university, we offer you endless opportunities, and a supportive culture that celebrates diversity. Here, you are at the heart of everything we do. At AUT, you'll find some of the most comprehensive student support services in New Zealand, designed in collaboration with our students. We'll support you to build friendships, develop life skills, achieve academically, and have amazing experiences both inside and outside the classroom.

The best start for your uni journey

Starting university life is exciting and perhaps a little daunting, regardless of your stage in life. With our wide-ranging support services, orientation programmes at the start of each semester, and multiple opportunities to meet new friends and follow a passion or hobby, you'll transition smoothly.

Student Hub

Our professionally qualified staff, including social workers and occupational therapists, are ready to support our diverse student community.
The Student Hub is your go-to for navigating student life at AUT, providing the support you need from when you apply to after you graduate.

Your home away from home

As a student you'll spend most of your time on campus, whether you're based at an AUT campus in the City, South Auckland or the North Shore. Each campus has its own vibe, and all are connected by shuttle buses or public transport. You'll find everything you need right here, including medical centres, gyms and recreation centres, free and confidential counselling, programmes to develop your self-knowledge and resilience, and community-specific services to make you feel comfortable and safe. Our campuses are monitored 24/7 by our security team.

Your place for support

AUT celebrates diversity and is committed to Te Tiriti o Waitangi with passion, curiosity and pride. We're committed to supporting the aspirations of our Māori and Pacific whānau. We were the first New Zealand university to appoint a full-time rainbow community coordinator, and are proud to be a Pride Pledge university. We support equity of access and opportunity for students, staff and visitors, and follow the principles of Kia Ōrite: Code of Practice for an inclusive tertiary environment that enables disabled, Deaf and neurodivergent students to achieve fully. As an AUT student you can access our specialised community support services, including LGBTTQIA+, disabled and Deaf, high-performance athlete, international, Māori and Pacific student support. The AUT Student Association (AUTSA) advocates and represents your interests, and shares student voices through Debate magazine.

Achieve your academic goals

Our goal is to help you achieve your academic dreams and set you up for a successful career. Our library and learning services support includes learning advisors, workshops, assessment advice appointments, tailored postgraduate research support and tools like Studiosity to help you ace your assessments. At AUT you'll find everything you need for your studies, including computer labs, printers, IT support, free wifi on campus, the full Microsoft 365 suite, LinkedIn Learning and remote access to AUT computers for specialist software.
To make sure financial difficulty doesn't get in the way of your academic achievements, our support also extends to help with food or transport vouchers, rent and living expenses, and even laptops and data packages if you experience financial hardship.

A vibrant uni experience

We want you to make the most of university life, have fun and grow during your time with us. Choose from over 90 student-led social, sustainability, cultural and academic clubs, or perhaps start your own. Participate in social sports, represent AUT through University Tertiary Sport (UTSNZ) and if you're an elite athlete get the support you need while you compete internationally. Make the most of our state-of-the-art sports facilities at AUT Millennium, on-campus gyms at every campus, and a swimming pool and courts for tennis, volleyball, basketball and other sports at the South Campus. Our Te Āhuru Recreation Centre at the City Campus also has a sports court, dance and exercise studios, flexible spaces for clubs to meet, and large spaces to gather and share food.

Beyond learning and into employability

Our services and award programmes help you become a well-rounded graduate ready to succeed in New Zealand and the world, and support your career after you graduate. Attend employer presentations, events, and workshops throughout the year, and use our four graduate job boards, including for international career options. Develop sought-after skills through volunteering, leadership and employability activities with the AUT Edge and Beyond AUT Awards, or access funding and mentoring through AUT Ventures Limited to commercialise your AUT research. You can also study overseas as part of your degree at one of AUT Global's partner universities around the world.

Bachelor of Science
Overview

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QUICK FACTS

Level	7
Points	360
Duration	3 years full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb & 13 July 2026

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Studying a Bachelor of Science is guaranteed to ignite your passion for knowledge about the world, and will be the start of a lifelong career in science. Study with us and you'll have access to some of the best lecturers in New Zealand, and state-of-the-art equipment. You'll have lots of opportunities to apply your knowledge in the lab or on field trips that span forests, mountains, and marine and freshwater environments. Our strong links with the scientific community extend right across the world – making it easy for you to transition from university to your career.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

University Entrance or equivalent

Useful New Zealand school subjects

- **Analytics, Mathematical Modelling and Computation majors:** Calculus, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics
- **Biological Science, Biomedical Science majors:** Biology, Level 3 Chemistry and other science subjects
- **Chemistry, Food Science majors:** Level 3 Chemistry, Mathematics and other science subjects
- **Environmental Science, Marine Science majors:** Biology and other science subjects

English language requirements

IELTS (Academic) 6.0 overall with all bands 5.5 or higher, or equivalent

Don't meet the entry requirements?

Consider starting with the Certificate in Applied Science (refer to page 20 for details) or the Diploma in Applied Science (refer to page 21 for details).

"I liked that AUT's classes were more engaging and involved a lot more practical work than at other unis. The courses are very interesting and engaging, and are taught by brilliant people who care for their students. I'd recommend studying at AUT. From the people to the courses to the campus itself, AUT is a great place to be. Apart from meeting tonnes of awesome people, one of the most memorable experiences for me was the Plants and Animals Taxonomy course overnight trip. We spent the evening looking for cool bugs we found in the bush around the hut we were staying at. There were lots of laughs and learning about all the unique organisms we found."

Ben Barber
Final-year student, Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology

What this qualification covers

The Bachelor of Science is highly flexible and you can build your degree in a way that reflects your interests.

To graduate with a Bachelor of Science you need to complete:

Core courses (120 points)

These are courses all students in this degree need to take. These courses give you a basic understanding of different areas of science, and help you decide which subject to focus on later in your studies.

One of the core courses is the capstone project you complete in your third year where you can gain practical experience related to your chosen science subject.

Your chosen major (120 points)

Your major is the subject area you want to specialise in. This makes up one third of your degree, and usually consists of eight courses related to your chosen subject. You can view the list of majors in this degree on page 8.

Flexible component (120 points)

You can choose one of the following options:

- A minor (60 points) and elective courses (60 points); or
- Two minors (60 points each); or
- A second major (120 points)

Your second major, minor(s) and elective courses can be from science or different AUT degrees.

YEAR 1		YEAR 2		YEAR 3	
Science & Society OR Mahitahi | Collaborative Practices	15 PTS	Vision Mātauranga: Science Practice in Aotearoa	15 PTS	Science Capstone Project A	15 PTS
Natural sciences course	15 PTS	Instrumental Analysis OR Scientific Inquiry	15 PTS	Science Capstone Project B	15 PTS
Mathematical & computer sciences course	15 PTS	Major course	15 PTS	Major course	15 PTS
Natural sciences course OR mathematical & computer sciences course	15 PTS	Major course	15 PTS	Major course	15 PTS
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Core courses **PTS**: Points

Bachelor of Science
Overview continued

Majors

Choose one of these majors as part of your degree:

- Analytics
- Biological Science
- Biomedical Science
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Food Science
- Marine Science
- Mathematical Modelling and Computation

Refer to pages 9 to 16 for more details on each of these majors. If you want to include a second major from a different AUT degree, you can see more options on aut.ac.nz/majors-minors

Minors

A minor is smaller than a major. It usually consists of four courses. If you decide to include a minor in your degree, you could choose from:

- Analytics
- Astronomy and Space Science
- Bioanalytical Chemistry
- Biochemistry
- Biodiversity Conservation
- Biomedical Science
- Chemical Science
- Earth System Science
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Sustainability
- Food Science
- Geospatial Science
- Marine Science
- Mathematical Modelling and Computation
- Microbiology
- Molecular Genetics
- Pharmaceutical Formulation

To find out more about these minors visit aut.ac.nz/science-minors

You can see even more minors from other subjects at AUT you could include on aut.ac.nz/majors-minors

Build your degree on our website

Visit our website to build your own degree and see what your three years of study could look like. Simply scan the QR code on page 7.

Possible combinations include:

- Bachelor of Science in Food Science with minors in Bioanalytical Chemistry and Gastronomy (one major, two minors)
- Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science with a minor in Molecular Genetics (one major, one minor, plus elective courses of your choice)
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science and Marine Science (two majors)

Bachelor of Science
Analytics

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Analytical skills are essential in today's business environment, in New Zealand and around the world. The Analytics major is a statistics-based subject. If you major in analytics, you'll develop an understanding of the mathematical and statistical concepts that underpin statistical analysis techniques. You'll gain the knowledge to apply statistical analysis techniques and also develop new techniques. You learn about stochastic modelling, which can be used to help businesses make decisions under uncertainty, and become familiar with computing techniques to extract and analyse data.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you also study courses on algebra and calculus, and introductory probability and statistics. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You become familiar with forecasting, statistical inference and statistical data analysis. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You explore advanced topics in analytics, including stochastic modelling, industry and business analysis, and multivariate data analysis. In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to analytics. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

Career opportunities

- Analytics and insights specialist
- Data analyst
- Data analytics specialist
- Data scientist
- Actuarial analyst
- Financial and marketing analyst
- Portfolio manager
- Performance analyst

"Being able to work on data analytics projects as part of my degree is something I've particularly enjoyed. I've been able to take raw data and transform it into meaningful insights. This led me to learn many coding languages, including Python, Java, C and R. Combining maths, coding and real-world applications has kept me motivated and excited throughout my studies. Once I graduate, my goal is to work in a finance company as a data analyst. I'm excited about analysing trends, risks and performance metrics in the financial sector, which generates large amounts of data. I'm especially interested in using data to assist companies in making well-informed financial decisions and refining their strategies."

Mirasha Fernando
2nd-year student, Bachelor of Science in Analytics with a minor in Data Science

Bachelor of Science
Biological Science

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Biology is at the heart of life on earth, from the smallest microorganisms to entire ecosystems. In recent years, there have been remarkable discoveries in the biological sciences, from antibiotics and vaccines to disease-resistant crops and alternative fuels. In the face of climate change and population growth, the biological sciences have never been more important and there are many rewarding careers for graduates in this field. This discipline will be attractive to students who are interested in understanding the science of life, how everyday existence can be explained and how human activities can shape Earth's future.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you also study courses about biodiversity and microbial life. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You explore ecology and evolution; cells, genes and molecules; and environmental microbiology. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You further your understanding of conservation biology and gene technology, and study genomes of a range of organisms, including exploring related computing tools. In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to biological science. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

Career opportunities

- Microbiologist
- Scientific laboratory technician
- Research scientist
- Agricultural researcher
- Biosecurity officer
- Environmental microbiologist
- Conservation officer
- Forensic technician
- Geneticist
- Science teacher[1]

You could work in areas like environmental monitoring and management, water quality management, animal welfare, biotechnology and pharma industries or academic research.

1. After an additional year of teacher training

"I'd really love to work as a forensic scientist. I find the work so fascinating and working hand-in-hand with the amazing police force of the country would be my dream. The thought of being able to aid grieving people or even help to give closure to families and friends is something I hold very high. There's a strong recommendation that I obtain some form of biological degree if I want to work in forensic science one day. The degree that stood out to me was AUT's Bachelor of Science in Biological Science as it encompasses everything around us as well as inside our bodies, which I find extremely fascinating."

Allashay Hurn
2nd-year student, Bachelor of Science in Biological Science with minors in Biomedical Science and Chemical Science

Bachelor of Science
Biomedical Science

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Biomedical science and biotechnology have revolutionised research over the past decade, stimulating growth in industries like agriculture, medicine, pharmaceuticals, veterinary science and medical research. Biomedical science is the most rapidly developing area in biological sciences, and demand for biomedical graduates is expected to grow.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you also study the fundamental concepts of biomedical science, and human anatomy and physiology. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You become familiar with molecular biomedicine and natural biomedical products, and further your understanding of human anatomy and physiology. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You study advanced topics in molecular biomedicine and biomedical science, and explore concepts related to drug delivery and formulation. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

You also complete a project in an area related to biomedical science. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. Companies or research organisations involved have included Plant and Food Research, Manaaki Whenua – Landcare Research, AgResearch, Institute of Environmental Science and Research (ESR), SCION (Rotorua), MBIE, Environmental Protection Authority, and the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Career opportunities

- Laboratory technician
- Formulation scientist
- Biomedical production technician
- Clinical trial assistant
- Medicinal chemist
- Toxicologist
- Health policy analyst
- Medical writer

"My time at AUT was marked by a combination of academic rigour, cultural enrichment and personal development that I'll carry with me into the future. The welcoming atmosphere at AUT played a significant role in my experience. The support from both the academic staff and the other students made it easy to seek help and collaborate, fostering a sense of belonging that I truly valued. As a study coordinator at New Zealand Clinical Research, I'm now responsible for ensuring that research is conducted efficiently and ethically while maintaining participant safety and data integrity. It's incredibly rewarding to know that our collective efforts can lead to significant improvements in patient care and outcomes."

Jhoanna Marie Abella
Associate Study Coordinator,
New Zealand Clinical Research
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science

Bachelor of Science
Chemistry

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Developing new products and processes, and experimenting with the make-up and behaviour of different chemicals are some of the challenges chemistry graduates get to take on. A degree in chemistry opens the door to a wide range of career options, both in and out of the laboratory. Chemistry graduates are often employed in the chemical and related industries, including pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, petrochemicals, plastics and polymers. There are also opportunities in the food and drink industry, health and medical organisations, and scientific research organisations and agencies.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you also study fundamental principles of chemistry, and biological and solution chemistry. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You become familiar with five main branches of chemistry: analytical, inorganic, organic and physical, as well as biochemistry. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses. Throughout your studies, you'll gain essential practical laboratory skills needed to be successful in scientific employment – here and overseas.

YEAR 3

You study advanced topics in chemistry, including analytical chemistry, organic synthesis and molecular design, quantum mechanics and spectroscopy, inorganic chemistry, or protein and metabolic chemistry. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to chemistry. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. You could carry out research into making new compounds, develop new methods to analyse materials, determine the chemical reactivity of molecules or study how chemical reactions occur.

Career opportunities

- Analytical chemist
- Biotechnologist
- Chemical engineer
- Clinical scientist
- Forensic scientist
- Nanotechnologist
- Pharmacologist
- Laboratory technician
- Toxicologist
- Science teacher[1]

1. After an additional year of teacher training

"I took the course Pharmacology for Professional Practice in my second year at AUT. I absolutely loved this course and all of the teaching staff were truly inspirational. This course felt like a real pivotal point. I was fascinated by the content because to me pharmacology feels like theoretical chemistry coming to life in a very real way. Understanding how medicines work from a biochemistry point of view sparked my passion to move into pharmaceuticals. I took a part-time job at a community pharmacy in my third year at AUT, and then applied at Douglas Pharmaceuticals. Currently, my main role is around cross-contamination monitoring and prevention. This role exists to ensure no traces of active pharmaceutical ingredients can contaminate another product, which is vital for patient safety."

Eden Holdaway-Young
Technical Services Officer,
Douglas Pharmaceuticals
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science and Chemistry

Bachelor of Science
Environmental Science

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New Zealand's reputation for pure natural beauty is world-renowned, but well-developed environmental knowledge and conservation processes are needed to preserve and enhance this status. There's a need for professionals with a sound understanding of ecology who can advocate for change and improve the effectiveness of conservation initiatives. Studying environmental science could be your first step towards a rewarding career protecting our natural environment.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. In your second semester, you explore fundamental field skills, laboratory methods, and data analysis, interpretation and presentation skills relevant to environmental science, and learn more about the interconnections between the biosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere, geosphere and anthroposphere. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You become familiar with environmental assessment and monitoring, environmental cycles as well as environmental pressures, threats and risks. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

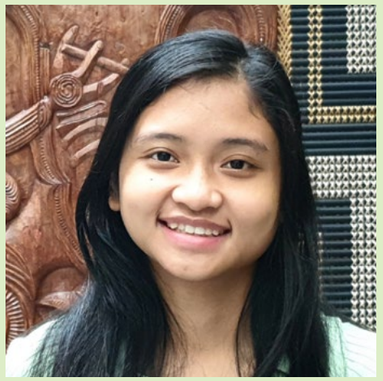
You study advanced topics in environmental science, including environmental science policy, problem solving and decision making. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to environmental science. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. Institutes and employer organisations involved in previous projects have included Auckland Council, Department of Conservation, NIWA, SCION (Rotorua), GNS Science, disaster and risk agencies, WaterAid; and private consultancies for environment, construction, infrastructure and resources.

Career opportunities

- Biodiversity ranger
- Conservation organisations like the Department of Conservation
- Environmental consultant
- Government research and monitoring agencies
- Local councils: Environmental, public health, and waste management and monitoring services
- Science teacher[1]
- Scientific laboratory analyst

1. After an additional year of teacher training



"I really enjoyed the field trips, which are the practical component of this degree, especially as they gave me a chance to visit beautiful places in New Zealand. The lecturers inspired me and their stories reminded me of why I chose environmental sciences. I particularly enjoyed the socio-ecological course – it truly opened my mind and reminded me to also consider social, cultural and economic points of view. One of the things I love most about my career now is being able to work closely with local communities and support them in making their own decisions on managing their marine resources. A proud achievement for me was being part of the Seagrass Ecosystem Services project and research in Timor-Leste."

Cecilia Mimi Lay
Senior Project Officer, Blue Ventures,
Dili, Timor-Leste
Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences

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Food Science

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Graduates in the areas of food science are critical in the production and safe consumption of food. Studying food science opens the door to a range of careers – developing new food products, improving sensory attributes and nutritional content of foods, and finding new ways to preserve, process, package and develop food. Food and beverage exports are critical to New Zealand's economy and there's a need for professionals who can reassure domestic and overseas markets that these products are safe and of high quality.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you become familiar with food science and food technology. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You become familiar with food chemistry, food microbiology and process engineering in the food industry. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You study advanced topics in food science, including food design and packaging, food chemistry and sensory evaluation. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to food science. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. Companies or research organisations involved have included AgResearch, Future Cuisine Ltd, Goodman Fielder, McCowley Enterprises Ltd, Merit Meats Ltd, Olivado NZ, Tegel, Thoughtgroup Ltd, AWS Group and Food Safe Ltd.

Career opportunities

- Food technologist
- Product/process development scientist
- Food quality assurance coordinator
- Regulatory affairs officer
- Food production and scientific laboratory technician
- Packaging and sensory technologist

"I knew I wanted to do something scientific. I didn't want to be held down to one specialty, as I love biology, chemistry and physics. When I learned that food science has a balance of all three, I knew I could have my cake and eat it too! With a career in food science, I can work in an office, a lab or even a farm. Food also offers the opportunity for creativity and entrepreneurship, which I knew were interests of mine. I chose AUT because I had heard that the class sizes are smaller, meaning that the lecturers know you by your name and not as a number. I also heard that the culture at AUT is more collaborative than competitive. I was glad to find that all these things are true."

Emma Lockie
Research and Development Technologist, Much Moore Ice Cream
Master of Science in Food Science
Bachelor of Science in Food Science

Bachelor of Science
Marine Science

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With 71 percent of the Earth's surface covered by water, marine life is critical to our existence. It's one of the most valuable sources of food, medicine and raw materials. New discoveries are made daily in marine biology and ecology, making this an exciting and dynamic career choice with endless potential. This study area covers marine biology (the scientific study of organisms in the ocean) and marine ecology (how marine organisms interact with each other and the environment).

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you'll also be introduced to fundamental biological and physical processes in the marine ecosystem, and lab and fieldwork techniques to study marine organisms and ecosystems. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

You learn more about the biology of marine organisms, marine environments from estuaries to the deep sea, and advance your understanding of field, laboratory and quantitative skills related to marine science. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You study advanced topics in marine science, including marine ecosystem dynamics, the relationship between humans and the ocean, and marine science research. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses this year.

In your final year you also complete a project in an area related to marine science. Companies or research organisations involved in previous projects have included NIWA, New Zealand Premium Whitebait and OceaNZ Blue.

Career opportunities

- Marine scientist or technologist
- Environmental consultant
- Resource manager
- Aquaculture manager
- Science teacher[1]

1. After an additional year of teacher training

"I've always been fascinated by the organisms that inhabit these ecosystems, as well as the need to protect and conserve their habitats. I chose AUT because of the connections the School of Science has with the industry, in particular in my field of study. I also liked the smaller class sizes and the fact that my lecturers seemed to be more hands on and not afraid to give us extra guidance when we need it. I've really enjoyed the class and course structures as well as a lot of the 'hands on' activities and field trips that we took throughout my Bachelor of Science. Once I complete my Master of Science, I just want to get out there and make an impact in any way I can."

Ryan Ouderkirk
Master of Science in Marine Science student
Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology

Bachelor of Science

Mathematical Modelling and Computation

Scan this QR code for details about courses, where your study could lead, and stories about our great graduates and students.

The Mathematical Modelling and Computation major will give you the skills to carry out modelling research and analyse problems in many industries and organisations.

Mathematical modelling tells us about our world and helps predict what will happen next. Whether you want to look at global warming patterns, figure out the structural integrity of a building or forecast economic trends – it all relies on mathematical modelling. With skills in mathematical modelling and computation you can be part of the solution to a vast array of complex issues facing the world.

What this major covers

YEAR 1

In your first year you can choose from a range of core courses covering computer and mathematical sciences, and natural sciences. This year you also study courses on algebra and calculus, and introductory probability and statistics. You also take the first courses for your second major, minor or elective courses.

YEAR 2

Courses focus on algebra and calculus, modelling and differential equations, and quantitative decision analysis. You also take courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

YEAR 3

You study mathematical computation, and modelling and differential equations. You also choose to focus on mathematical modelling for either business, or health and biology. You also complete a project in an area related to mathematical modelling and computation. This project gives you an important competitive edge for your career, and is good preparation for postgraduate study. You also take the final courses for your second major, minor(s) or elective courses.

Career opportunities

- Actuary
- Control buyer/purchasing agent
- Industrial engineering scientist
- Market and financial analyst
- Mathematician
- Research analyst and associate
- Secondary teacher[1]

1. After completing an additional year of teacher training

"I've loved gaining hands-on, practical experience during my studies, which I believe will be invaluable for my future career. It's one thing to learn theories in a classroom, but applying them in practical situations has deepened my understanding and boosted my confidence. I've also appreciated the support of the teaching team. My goal is to work in the financial crime risk and forensics industry. I'm drawn to the field of financial crime risk and forensics because it offers an opportunity to solve complex problems and make a meaningful impact by protecting organisations and individuals from fraud. My main goal for my future career is to make a positive impact and use my skills to contribute to society."

Kenneth Atmadja
1st-year student, Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Modelling and Computation & Networks and Cybersecurity
Certificate in Science and Technology


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1 Microorganism diffusion disk testing 2 Study with us and you'll have access to state-of-the-art equipment 3 Soil health analysis provides insights into plant responses to their changing environment 4 We believe in high-quality research that has impact, and have world-class research strengths 5 The AUT Roche Diagnostics Laboratory is the only university lab of its kind in New Zealand 6 You can expect modern facilities and smaller class sizes at AUT


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Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science
Overview

BMLS | AK3432

Scan this QR code for details about courses, where your study could lead, and stories about our great graduates and students.

Medical laboratory scientists play a key role in health science providing information about a patient's health vital to the diagnosis and treatment of disease. This degree prepares you for a career in this exciting field. You develop skills in accurate observation and the collection, recording and interpretation of test results. You'll have access to state-of-the-art equipment in the AUT Roche Diagnostics Laboratory, the first of its kind in New Zealand. Once you have completed this degree and fulfilled the requirements of the Medical Sciences Council of New Zealand, you can register and practise as a medical laboratory scientist.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

- University Entrance or equivalent including:
  - **NCEA:** 14 or more credits in each of Biology, Chemistry and Statistics
  - **CAIE:** A D grade or better at AS or A level in each of Biology, Chemistry and Statistics
- Must be capable of meeting Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act (HPCA Act) requirements including police clearance

Useful New Zealand school subjects

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics

English language requirements

At least IELTS (Academic) 6.5 overall with all bands 6.0 or higher; or equivalent.

Don't meet the entry requirements?

Consider starting with the Certificate in Applied Science (see page 20) or the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science (see page 11).

QUICK FACTS

Level	7
Points	480
Duration	4 years full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb 2026
Apply by	29 Nov 2025

Career opportunities

This degree prepares you for a career in a diagnostic laboratory. Registered medical laboratory scientists work in public hospitals and community laboratories doing diagnostic laboratory testing across all specialisations.

Other career paths include diagnostic reagent manufacture, laboratory management, and marketing of medical equipment and reagents.

What this qualification covers

YEAR 1

All students study the same compulsory courses, which give you a general scientific grounding and a broader perspective on medical laboratory science.

YEAR 2

Your second-year courses cover a range of subject areas including genetics, pathology, immunohaematology, medical microbiology, laboratory information and quality management, and science practice in Aotearoa.

YEAR 3

You study different laboratory science specialisation subjects in more depth, covering advanced topics in immunology, haematology, chemical pathology, medical microbiology, transfusion science, and histology and cytology. You also complete your capstone project where you can apply what you've learnt in your courses.

YEAR 4

Your final year consists of placements in IANZ accredited medical testing laboratories in New Zealand or Australia. Recent placements included LabPLUS, Awanui Labs (formerly Labtests NZ) and the New Zealand Blood Service.

"Medical laboratory science is a truly rewarding field – the work medical scientists perform is crucial to healthcare and gives healthcare professionals insight into a patient's condition. With medical professionals being in demand globally, it's also a perfect career to travel with. The Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science delivers an effective blend of theory and practicality during the first three years. We glean regular exposure to the laboratory, further reinforcing all the theory. Our final year was entirely dedicated to placements in medical laboratories across the North Island. In our third year, we had the option of specialising in specific areas of medical laboratory science. I was very fortunate to be allocated to my first preference combination of medical microbiology and histology."

Bahar Raeisi
Medical Laboratory Scientist, LabPLUS
Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science

"In this role, I'm responsible for processing tissue samples and preparing slides for the pathologist for examination and diagnosis of malignancies or anatomical dysfunction. It's always a pleasure knowing that your work could potentially help save a patient's life. Histology has a very manual workflow, therefore when new graduates join the lab, having both practical and theory knowledge is really helpful. Fortunately, AUT's teaching method covers both aspects. I was confident with all the manual workflows and the laboratory environment, and AUT's histology content is very current, which ensures that students are familiar with recent techniques and methods."

Shakil Tausheed Mohammed
Medical Laboratory Scientist, Te Whatu Ora
Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science
Certificate in Applied Science

Certificate in Applied Science

Scan this QR code for course details and where this qualification could lead you.

Interested in science but not quite ready to start the Bachelor of Science or not sure which direction to take? The Certificate in Applied Science gives you a taste of the many options in AUT's School of Science. It's designed to help you develop the academic and study skills for study at bachelor's degree level.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

- Completion of Year 12 or equivalent
- At least 12 credits at level 2 in one subject from Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, Physics, Science; AND
- At least 12 credits at level 2 from one or more subjects from Art History, Business Studies, Calculus, Classical Studies, Drama, Economics, English, Geography, Health Education, History, Media Studies, Physical Education, Social Studies, Te Reo Māori, Te Reo Rangatira, Mathematics or Statistics

English language requirements

IELTS (Academic) of 5.5 overall with all bands 5.0 or higher; or equivalent.

What this qualification covers

In this certificate you gain a general understanding of biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and academic writing skills to prepare yourself for further study at university level. We can help you create a study plan to meet your study goals and future career aspirations.

CertAppSc | AK1018

QUICK FACTS

Level	4
Points	120
Duration	1 year full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb & 13 July 2026

Career opportunities

This certificate prepares you for the Bachelor of Science and entry-level positions in science-related industries.

Diploma in Applied Science

Scan this QR code for course details and where this qualification could lead you.

The Diploma in Applied Science is for students who want to gain knowledge in a specialised scientific discipline. It's a great way to prepare yourself for studying science at university and you can choose from a wide range of science-related courses.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

- Completion of Year 12
  - **NCEA:** 48 level 2 credits including eight level 2 credits in any one subject from Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, Physics, Science
  - **CAIE:** 60 points on the UCAS Tariff, including any one subject similar to the NCEA subjects listed above

English language requirements

IELTS (Academic) of 5.5 overall with all bands 5.0 or higher; or equivalent.

What this qualification covers

This one-year diploma includes eight courses from Year 1 and 2 of the Bachelor of Science. The courses cover areas like chemistry, biology, ecology, evolution, plants, animals, microbiology and geography.

DipAppSc | AK3750

QUICK FACTS

Level	5
Points	120
Duration	1 year full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb & 13 July 2026

Career opportunities

Graduates with this broad foundation in science are prepared for science and laboratory work in a variety of industries. Graduates can also progress to a higher level science qualification.

"I studied the Diploma in Applied Science to help me gain University Entrance (UE). I heard great feedback about AUT's more practical approach to learning, which appealed to me. In the summer after I finished my diploma, I got an internship with AUT to work on the biodiversity of arthropods, which I really enjoyed. I then started a Bachelor of Education (Primary Teaching) but found myself missing science. So, I changed to a Bachelor of Science in the next semester. I enjoy the flexibility of the assignments, especially being able to incorporate mātauranga Māori into my studies. As part of my degree I'm minoring in biodiversity conservation and geospatial science as I really love those topics."

Norrissalee Ngatai-Harbour
Ngāruahine, Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Hineuru
2nd-year student, Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science with minors in Biodiversity Conservation and Geospatial Science
Diploma in Applied Science

Graduate Diploma in Science
Graduate Certificate in Science

Scan this QR code for course details and where these qualifications could lead you.

Upskill or change direction in your science career with the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma in Science. These qualifications are aimed at current industry professionals, including medical laboratory technicians upskilling to become medical laboratory scientists, or microbiologists changing direction to enter the aquaculture industry. They offer excellent preparation for postgraduate study in a science discipline in which you were not originally trained.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

- A bachelor's degree OR
- Relevant professional qualification or experience approved by the dean (or representative) to be equivalent to a degree.

English language requirements

IELTS (Academic) 6.5 overall with all bands 6.0 or higher; or equivalent.

What these qualifications cover

Graduate diploma

You choose courses from the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science to make up a total of 120 points.

Graduate certificate

You choose courses from the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science to make up a total of 60 points.

Courses cover topics like analytics, biological science, biomedical science, chemistry, environmental science, food science, marine science, medical laboratory science, and mathematical modelling and computation.

Graduate Diploma in Science
GradDipSc | AK1042

QUICK FACTS

Level	7
Points	120
Duration	1 year full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb & 13 July 2026

Graduate Certificate in Science
GradCertSc | AK1043

QUICK FACTS

Level	7
Points	60
Duration	½ year full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb & 13 July 2026

"I started university studying genetics, but then changed my major after my first year and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in economics, statistics, and film and media. After two and a half years working in local government and a gap year teaching English, maths and biology in a high school in Spain I realised that I really wanted to pursue my passion for the environment. Because most of the roles in this area require a degree in ecology or environmental science, I decided to complete the Graduate Diploma in Science to enable me to enter a master's degree without having to do another bachelor's degree. I like that AUT's small classes make it easy to connect with people, which means you can actually get to know your lecturer."

Harry Creevey
Graduate Diploma in Science student

Bachelor of Science (Honours)

Scan this QR code for course details and where this qualification could lead you.

Already have a degree and want to prepare yourself for higher-level careers or a master's degree or PhD? The Bachelor of Science (Honours) is aimed at high-achieving students in the Bachelor of Science who want to advance their skills. Research skills in science are highly valued and this programme can lead to a range of exciting careers.

Entry requirements

Minimum entry requirements

Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences or Bachelor of Science (or equivalent) with a B grade average or higher in level 7 courses.

English language requirements

IELTS (Academic) 6.5 overall with all bands 6.0 or higher; or equivalent.

What this qualification covers

You complete a research methods course and advanced courses relevant to your interests.

At the heart of the programme is the supervised research dissertation in a specific area of science. It's your chance to explore a topic of your interest, under the supervision of our experienced academic staff.

BSc(Hons) | AK1040

QUICK FACTS

Level	8
Points	120
Duration	1 year full-time, part-time available
Campus	City
Starts	23 Feb 2026

Career opportunities

This programme can help you stand out to future employers, and prepares you for further study in a master's degree or PhD.

"The practical aspects are what I've enjoyed the most about my time at AUT. For the research project in the third year of my Bachelor of Science, for example, I used traditional Indian spices as alternatives to artificial preservatives in processed meats, and for my honours research I optimised the cold-pressed extraction of avocado oil by using selected enzymes. These kinds of projects confirmed that a career in food science was what I wanted going forward. I also enjoyed doing a summer studentship where I worked with one of my lecturers to synthesise novel cooperative organocatalysts using a micellar approach."

Keegan Chessum
Doctor of Philosophy candidate
Bachelor of Science (Honours) with First-Class Honours
Bachelor of Science in Food Science

Overview of postgraduate qualifications

Scan this QR code for more details about postgraduate programmes.

AUT is Aotearoa New Zealand's fastest growing postgraduate study destination. We offer a wide range of postgraduate programmes – from postgraduate certificates to doctorates – to help you achieve your goals and progress your career. Our world-leading academics are research-active experts at the forefront of their disciplines, and our 60+ research centres, institutes and networks give you access to transformational research projects.

Postgraduate Certificate in Science and Postgraduate Diploma in Science

These qualifications equip students with advanced knowledge in science, with courses from the Master of Science. The Postgraduate Certificate in Science takes one semester of full-time study, and the Postgraduate Diploma in Science one year. As a graduate of these programmes, you may be able to progress to further study in the Master of Science or Master of Science (Research).

Master of Science (180 points)

With the 1½-year Master of Science you can gain advanced research skills and knowledge in one of: biomedical science, chemistry, environmental science, food science, geospatial science, marine science, microbiology or molecular genetics. You complete a research project or dissertation as part of this programme.

Master of Science (Research) (240 points)

The Master of Science (Research) takes two years of full-time study, and includes taught courses and a one-year supervised research thesis. You can specialise in biomedical science, chemistry, environmental science, food science, geospatial science, marine science, microbiology or molecular genetics.

Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Laboratory Science and Postgraduate Diploma in Medical Laboratory Science

These coursework qualifications provide you with specialist skills in medical laboratory science. You can follow a management or specialised scientist pathway. The Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Laboratory Science takes six months of full-time study, and the postgraduate diploma takes one year. Graduates may be able to progress to the Master of Medical Laboratory Science.

Master of Medical Laboratory Science

As a Master of Medical Laboratory Science graduate you have advanced knowledge and understanding of your chosen field of medical laboratory science. You can follow either a management or specialised scientist pathway. This two-year programme includes taught courses and a one-year supervised research thesis.

Master of Philosophy

The Master of Philosophy is a one-year research-only master's degree. It gives you the opportunity to undertake a research project of an applied or professional nature, under the supervision of science staff. It can also serve as a pathway to more advanced research at doctoral level.

Doctor of Philosophy

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) is a thesis-based research degree that leads to advanced academic and theoretical knowledge in a specialist area. It's the highest qualification offered at a university. It enables you to make an original contribution to understanding in the field of science, and meet recognised international standards for such work. You work closely with a supervisor to prepare a thesis, which is then examined by independent experts applying contemporary international standards.

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Whakauru whare wānanga

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE

University admission to AUT bachelor's degrees

University admission to AUT bachelor's degrees

If you're a New Zealand citizen or resident, or an international student studying in a New Zealand high school, you must meet the requirements for University Entrance to gain admission to bachelor's degrees, plus any additional requirements for your chosen programme such as specific subjects and interviews.

Admission categories

You may be granted University Entrance under:

- NCEA University Entrance
- Ad Eundem Statum admission (at an equivalent level) – this includes Cambridge Assessment International Education (CAIE) and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB)
- Discretionary Entrance
- Special Admission

To find out more about entry requirements, including entry requirements for international students, scan the QR code on the opposite page.

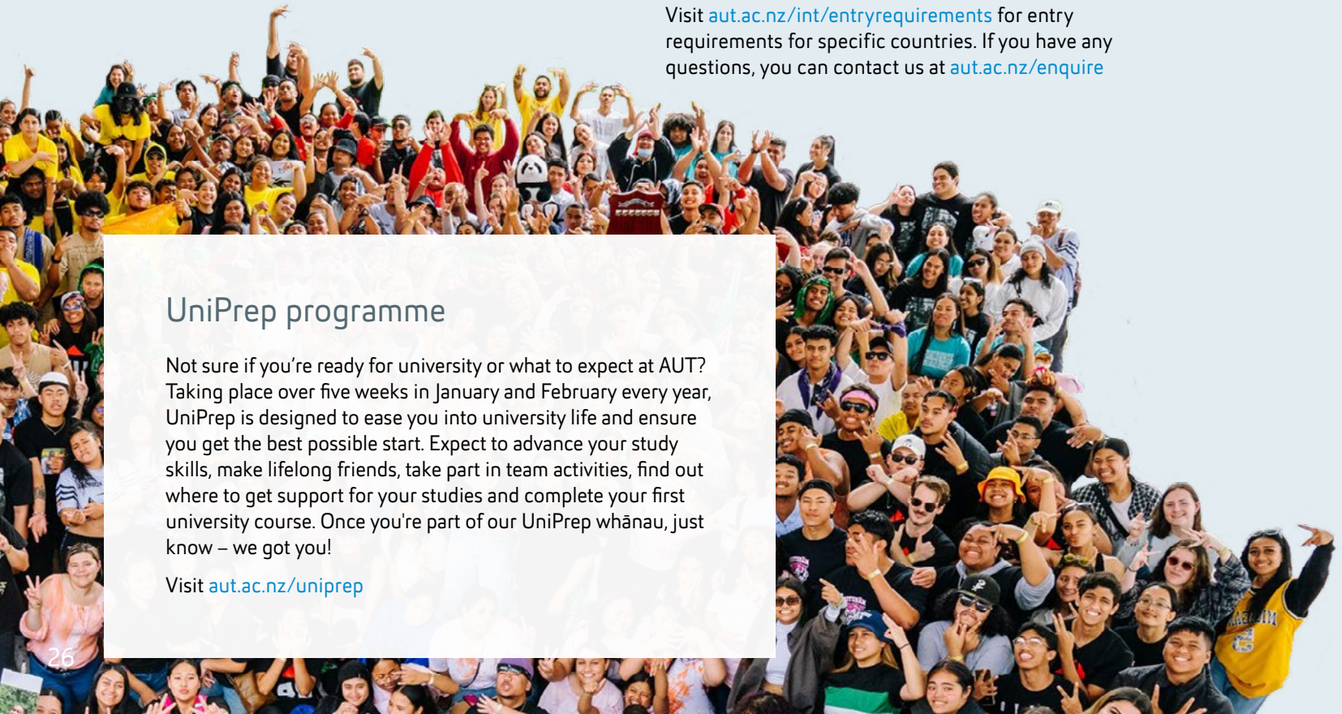
English language requirements

If you don't have English as your first language, you may have to show evidence of your English language skills. Visit aut.ac.nz/englishrequirements for details about English language testing and recognised English tests.

International students

Contact us for information regarding studying at AUT if you're not a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand or Australia, or a citizen of the Cook Islands, Niue or Tokelau islands.

Visit aut.ac.nz/int/entryrequirements for entry requirements for specific countries. If you have any questions, you can contact us at aut.ac.nz/enquire



UniPrep programme

Not sure if you're ready for university or what to expect at AUT? Taking place over five weeks in January and February every year, UniPrep is designed to ease you into university life and ensure you get the best possible start. Expect to advance your study skills, make lifelong friends, take part in team activities, find out where to get support for your studies and complete your first university course. Once you're part of our UniPrep whānau, just know – we got you!

Visit aut.ac.nz/uniprep

NCEA university entrance

You must achieve all of the below

Level 3 (60 credits)	UE Literacy	Numeracy
Within the 60 credits, you need to at least achieve the below 14 credits in approved subject 1 14 credits in approved subject 2 14 credits in approved subject 3 18 credits from any Level 3 standards	5 Reading credits (Level 2 or 3) 5 Writing credits (Level 2 or 3)	10 Numeracy credits at Level 1, 2 or 3

To find out more visit www2.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/understanding-secondary-quals/university-entrance

Getting UE through CAIE or IB? Here's what you will need:

CAIE		
120 points on the New Zealand CAIE Tariff at A or AS level in any subjects that are broadly equivalent to NCEA approved subjects D or above in at least 3 different subjects (excluding Thinking Skills)	E or above in English Language, Language and Literature in English or Literature at AS or A level	D or above in IGCSE or GCSE Mathematics, or any mathematics subject passed at AS or A level
IB[1]		
IB Diploma with a minimum 24 points	Literature or language and literature (SL or HL) – IB Group 1, with English as the language	Any mathematics subject – IB Group 5

1. New Zealand residents who have taken IB but have not been awarded the diploma may apply for discretionary entrance.

Ngā utu whakauru, ngā karahipi

FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Cost is an important factor when thinking about university study. This page gives you an idea of the approximate tuition fees at AUT, and different options to help you fund your education including scholarships, student loans and allowances.

To give you an idea of approximate costs, the 2025 tuition fees are shown below (based on full-time study and completing 120 points per year). All fees are in NZ dollars and include GST. The 2026 tuition fees will be advertised on aut.ac.nz/fees as soon as they have been set. You may also need to pay additional fees for course materials or elective courses (check with your faculty if there are additional fees for your programme).

Domestic student tuition fees

Undergraduate programmes

Fee (per year): $4,460 (for 60 points) – $9,565 (for 120 points)[1]
($3,864–$8,373 tuition fees + $596–$1,192 student services levy)

Postgraduate programmes

Bachelor of Science (Honours)

Fee (per year): $11,220 (for 120 points)[1]
($10,028 tuition fees + $1,192 student services levy)

1. Part-time students pay a proportion of the fee based on the number of academic points they are studying.

International student tuition fees

Undergraduate programmes

Fee (per year): $20,596 (for 60 points) – $44,892 (for 120 points)
($20,000–$43,700 tuition fees + $596–$1,192 student services levy)

Postgraduate programmes

Bachelor of Science (Honours)

Fee (per year): $44,492 (for 120 points)
($43,300 tuition fees + $1,192 student services levy)

Please note that you must pay your fees in full by the date specified on your fees invoice.

To find out more about fees call **+64 9 921 9779** or **0800 AUT AUT** (0800 288 288).

Student loans and allowances[1]

If you're a full-time domestic student, you may qualify for a student loan or allowance. Student loans and allowances are administered and paid by StudyLink. The application process can take some time, so it's a good idea to apply early. You can apply for a student loan or student allowance before your enrolment at AUT is complete.

To find out more call **0800 88 99 00** or visit studylink.govt.nz

Free fees for your university study[1]

Eligible domestic students may receive their final year of full-time study fees-free. To check if you're eligible for fees-free study visit aut.ac.nz/fees

1. Domestic students only, not available to international students.

Financial assistance

We know that sometimes things happen and financial stress can impact your academic success. That's why we offer financial support that ranges from offering grocery or fuel vouchers, to helping with that unexpected bill.

StudyLink

Visit studylink.govt.nz for tools, tips and information to help you plan and understand the costs you will have while studying.

Scholarships and awards

Scholarships and awards are a great way to fund your university study. There is a wide range of scholarships and awards available to AUT students at all stages of their study including the Welcome to Auckland scholarship and Find Your Greatness scholarship (details below).

Visit the scholarships website for a full current list of scholarships offered by AUT and external funders, as well as application forms and closing dates. You can also contact AUT's Scholarships Office for advice on scholarships, awards and the scholarship application process.

AUT Welcome to Auckland Scholarships

Because we recognise the challenges students may face when moving to Auckland, AUT's three-year Welcome to Auckland scholarships make a contribution towards students' accommodation and study fees. These scholarships recognise high-achieving secondary school students living outside of Auckland who intend to enrol in bachelor's degree study commencing in 2026.

AUT Find Your Greatness Scholarships – School Leaver

AUT's Find Your Greatness undergraduate scholarships for school leavers reflect our commitment to creating great graduates. These three-year scholarships recognise students' academic achievement, as well as students' potential leadership ability and contribution to their school or community, cultural pursuits owr sport at a representative level.

The Find Your Greatness scholarships are offered in the four categories below for study commencing in 2026:

- Academic Excellence
- All Rounder
- Hiki Ake (Lift Up)
- Kiwa (Māori and Pacific students)

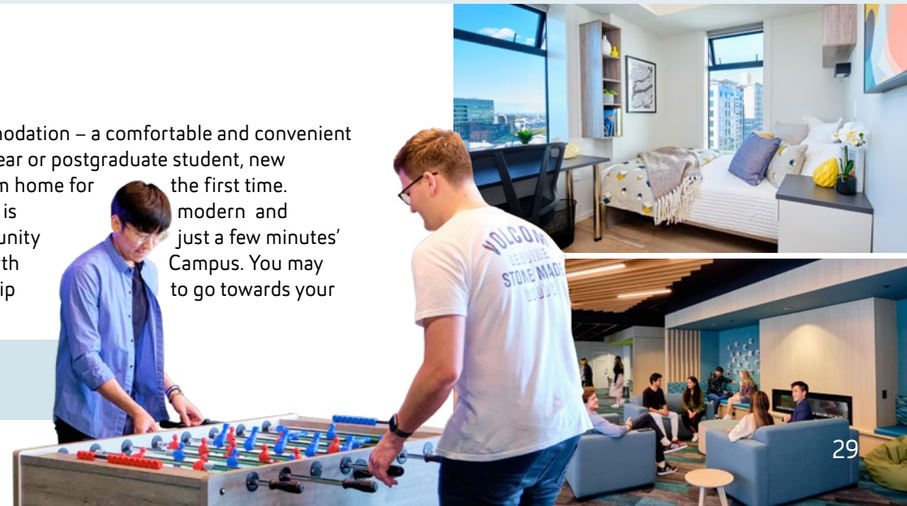
Applicants will be considered in all categories for which they are eligible.

To find out more call **+64 9 921 9837** or visit aut.ac.nz/scholarships

Accommodation

Check out our student accommodation – a comfortable and convenient option whether you're a first-year or postgraduate student, new to Auckland, or living away from home for the first time. AUT's student accommodation is modern and secure, offering a social community just a few minutes' walk away from our City or North Campus. You may even be eligible for a scholarship to go towards your accommodation costs.

Visit aut.ac.nz/accommodation



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HOW TO APPLY

Below is the step-by-step guide to the application process.
For more information visit aut.ac.nz/apply

1 APPLY EARLY

Places are limited. Submit your application well before the semester starts.

APPLYING FOR 2026

- Semester 1
  – apply by 1 December 2025
- Semester 2
  – apply by 4 May 2026

2 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

- Apply online
- Indicate your programme(s) of choice and major (if known)

International students can also apply using an AUT approved international agent. For a list of AUT registered agents visit aut.ac.nz/international-agents

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR APPLICATION

- We will send you an acknowledgment email, which explains how to check the status of your application
- We will contact you if we need more information

WE ASSESS YOUR APPLICATION

- We assess your application to ensure you have met the entry criteria for the programme(s) you are applying for
- We consider your academic history and relevant experience to ensure you can succeed in your programme
- We let you know if your application has been successful

POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

CONFIRMED We would like to offer you a place to study at AUT

PROVISIONAL You have met some of the criteria for entry to your chosen programme of study and we would like to offer you a provisional place to study at AUT. If you don't meet the rest of the requirements, then this offer will be withdrawn

CONDITIONAL You have to meet the conditions and approvals listed in your conditional offer to be able to secure a formal offer of place

DECLINED If you don't meet the entry requirements or all places are taken, we may offer you an alternative programme

3 ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

It's important that you respond as soon as possible, particularly if you've been offered a place in a programme with limited places.

Once you've accepted your offer of place, we'll let you know how to enrol in the courses for your programme, and you can start to get excited about joining AUT.

Ready to apply?
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FIND OUT MORE

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Need some help?

Visit aut.ac.nz/enquire, ask us your question and we'll call you back. Or you can phone **0800 AUT AUT** (0800 288 288) to speak to one of our friendly advisors. We can help with any questions you may have, and you could also book a course counselling session or a campus tour.

Campuses

City Campus
55 Wellesley Street East, Auckland Central

North Campus
90 Akoranga Drive, Northcote, Auckland

South Campus
640 Great South Road, Manukau, Auckland

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