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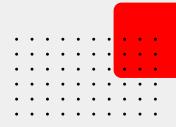
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## INTRODUCTION



This would be of importance to students from India looking to study in New Zealand. So if you are an Indian student looking forward to applying for a New Zealand study visa then this guide could help you clear most of your queries. The information in this is compiled by an experienced and expert LIA- Licensed Immigration Adviser having more than 19 years of experience in dealing with a range of New Zealand student visa applications. This comprehensive guide for study in New Zealand for Indian students contains information applicable currently in 2025.

### COURSE OPTIONS FOR STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND AFTER 12TH

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If you would like to apply for a New Zealand study visa after doing 12th from India then you could either choose to do a

- Diploma
- Bachelor's degree at level 7
- Bachelors honours degree at level 8

In New Zealand, the qualifications are divided into 10 levels. Students can opt for a Diploma at or below level 6 of the New Zealand Qualification Framework. Bachelor's degrees at level 7 are of 3 years in duration. Bachelor's honours degree at level 8 is 4 years in duration. Applicants may contact the top and best Study in New Zealand consultant who can help you choose the right course for you. These are the course options for Study in New Zealand for Indian students after 12th. If you would like to avail a post study work visa after completion of the course program then you must note that all Diploma courses after 12th may not be eligible for a New Zealand post study work visa. For a Diploma course to be eligible for a PSW visa after successful completion of the course while on a New Zealand student visa, it must be relevant to an occupation on the Green List of New Zealand.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND AFTER 12

There are certain Eligibility requirements students need to meet for their study in New Zealand after 12th. These are academic requirements and English language requirements. The entry requirements for courses to study in New Zealand after 12th are as below:

#### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Students need to be 12th pass. They need to have good percentage of marks in their 12th. At least 55 % of marks are recommended to get admission into a Diploma or a degree course in New Zealand. There are some programs which may require higher percentage of marks like Bachelors of Nursing. Study in New Zealand aspirants are highly encouraged to check with the university or college they wish to study for the exact entry requirements of the course they wish to study in New Zealand.

#### **IELTS REQUIREMENTS**

Students also need to provide evidence of their English language ability in order to get admission into their desired course of study in New Zealand. For Admission into Diploma and Bachelors program in New Zealand the students need to have an overall IELTS band score of 6 with at least 5.5 in each of the four modules of IELTS. Students may also provide an equivalent score in other acceptable language test like PTE or TOEFL. The IELTS requirement for some course like nursing, early childhood education may be higher.

#### **COURSE OPTIONS AFTER GRADUATION**

If you are an applicant looking forward to study in New Zealand after doing a BA, BCom, BSc, BBA, BTech etc from India then you may opt for the following courses for study in New Zealand

- Masters degree by coursework or by research at level 9 of the New Zealand Qualification Framework- NZQF
- Postgraduate Diploma at level 8 of the New Zealand qualification framework
- Graduate Diploma at level 7 of the NZQF

These are the course options for Study in New Zealand for Indian students after graduation. If you would like to avail post study work visa after completion of the Graduate Diploma level 7 course programs then you must note that all Graduate diplomas at level 7 may not be eligible for a New Zealand post study work visa. For a Graduate Diploma course to be eligible for a PSW visa after successful completion of the course while on a New Zealand student visa, it must be relevant to an occupation on the Green List of New Zealand.

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

There are certain eligibility requirements for Indian students to study in New Zealand. These are academic as well as English language requirements.

#### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR MASTERS



On the academic front the students need to have at least 65 % of marks in their graduation. This percentage of marks may vary depending on the course stream as well as the college or university you wish to study Masters in New Zealand. It may further vary if you wish to do a Masters by coursework or Masters by Research in New Zealand. The students may also be required to provide letters of reference as a part of their admission application process for study Masters in New Zealand.

#### **IELTS REQUIREMENTS**



Most of the Masters courses have an IELTS requirement of overall 6.5 with no band less than 6 in any of the four modules. This IELTS requirement may be more depending on the course. For example, if you choose to study Master of Teaching in New Zealand you would require an IELTS band score of 7 each in all of the four modules. Students may also provide an equivalent score in other acceptable language tests like PTE or TOEFL.

## FOR POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN NEW ZEALAND

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#### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

The academic requirement for a PG Diploma in New Zealand is a percentage of 50 %. Further, this may vary depending on the choice of your Post graduate Diploma for study in New Zealand. The requirement may also be more based on the university or college you wish you study in New Zealand.

#### **IELTS REQUIREMENTS**

International applicants wishing to apply for a New Zealand study visa need to have an IELTS band score of overall 6.5 with at least 6 in each of the four modules of IELTS to study for a PG Diploma in New Zealand.



### STUDY IN A UNIVERSITY, TE PŪKENGA OR A PTE

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There are various options for international students where they could choose to study. Depending on their preferences they may study in a University, an ITP or a PTE. There are many factors which play a role in deciding the education provider selection like budget for your study in New Zealand, class size you may feel comfortable about, the budget your family may have, and availability of the course, to name a few. The students may be assured that wherever they choose to study they will get quality education.

#### BEST UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES 🕔

Following are some of the best universities and colleges for study in New Zealand:

- Massey University
- Auckland University of Technology
- University of Canterbury
- North Tec
- SIT Southern Institute of Technology
- EIT- Eastern Institute of Technology
- New Zealand Tertiary College (NZTC)
- ICL Graduate Business School
- Auckland Institute of Studies
- Toi Ohomai (ITP)
- WITT-Western Institute of Technology(ITP)
- WITT-Western Institute of Technology(ITP)
- NMIT(Nelson Marlborough institute technology (ITP)

#### IMPORTANCE OF RIGHT COURSE SELECTION FOR NEW ZEALAND STUDY VISA

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It is of utmost importance that the students choose a course which is relevant to their current academic and any work experience profile they may have. This is one of the requirements of a New Zealand student visa. It is a very important requirement as the success of your New Zealand study visa largely depends on this. If you fail to choose to course which is a logical progression of your current profile it may have a serious impact on your New Zealand student visa. To be a genuine applicant is one of the requirements to successfully get your New Zealand student visa. Genuine students would choose a course which would add to the current profile. Hence it is of utmost importance to choose the right course as it would positively impact your New Zealand student visa.



### NEW ZEALAND STUDY VISA PROCESS 2025

After choosing a course and selecting the college or university the next step is to know about the process of a New Zealand study visa. The following are different steps in the New Zealand study visa process 2025: Select a course

- Choose a university or college
- Send admission application
- Receive offer letter
- Prepare New Zealand student visa documents
- Apply for New Zealand study visa
- Receive AIP- Approval in Principle
- Fulfil AIP conditions
- Receive New Zealand study visa
- Travel to New Zealand

An experienced and best New Zealand study visa consultant can help you smoothly navigate through the process.



# **10** NEW ZEALAND STUDY VISA REQUIREMENTS 2025

There are certain New Zealand study visa requirements which international applicants need to fulfil to apply for their application. These are as below:

- Academic requirements which have been explained above
- English language requirements which have been explained above
- Funds requirements for New Zealand study visa

As a part of their New Zealand student visa process, the applicants are required to have access to funds for tuition fees and cost of living for the entire duration of their stay in New Zealand. The cost of living that applicants are required to have are funds of New Zealand dollars twenty thousand per year for the entire duration of the course as the cost of living while on a New Zealand student visa. The applicants must have first year of funds readily available for them as per the New Zealand study visa requirement.

# FAMILY INCOME REQUIREMENTS FOR NZ STUDY ABROAD

If you are an Indian student applying for a New Zealand study visa you are also required to fulfil family income conditions. This is very important. Depending on the work your family is engaged like a business or government job or a private job or self-employment, you are required to provide evidence of the same.

#### HEALTH REQUIREMENT

Applicants also need to meet the health standards as set by Immigration New Zealand.

#### CHARACTER REQUIREMENT



International applicants must also have good character which is one of the very important requirements to get a New Zealand student visa.



### NEW ZEALAND STUDENT VISA DOCUMENTS 2025

Following is the New Zealand student visa documents which the students need to attach with their application:

- Copies of all the passports held till date
- All qualification certificates
- IELTS / PTE/TOEFL documents
- If work experience then documents supporting the same
- Statement of purpose
- Funds for New Zealand study visa
- Income proofs of the family
- Medical
- PCC

#### POST STUDY WORK VISA



- You must hold a valid New Zealand student visa and have recently completed your qualification at a registered New Zealand educational institution.
- Your qualification must be eligible:

1. If you completed a degree-level qualification (level 7 or above), you can work for any employer in any job related to your qualification. The study must have been full-time and lasted for at least 30 weeks in New Zealand. 2. If you completed a non-degree qualification (level 7 or below), it must be on New Zealand's "Qualifications Eligible for Post Study Work Visa" list or the Green List. Additionally, you will only be allowed to work in a role related to your field of study in New Zealand.

The duration of your Post Study Work Visa depends on your qualifications:

- Up to 3 years: If you have completed a degree-level qualification (level 7 or above).
- 1 to 2 years: If your qualification is non-degree level (level 7 or below), the visa will generally be granted for a shorter period.

## NEW ZEALAND PARTNER VISA

For the partners of New Zealand student visa holders, they can apply for the New Zealand student spouse visa.

 Partners of New Zealand student visa holders can only apply for visitor visa if their spouse holds a valid Student Visa for New Zealand. Their student visa must be active at the time of their application. Their partner's visa will be aligned with the duration of the student visa, and it cannot exceed the length of time they are permitted to stay in New Zealand.



 For a New Zealand Partner of Student Work visa, the partner must hold a valid Student Visa for New Zealand. Additionally, the partner's eligibility for this visa depends on the student's studies. They must be enrolled in an eligible Level 7 or 8 qualification, or any Level 9 or 10 qualification. The partner's visa will be aligned with the length of the student visa. The work visa will allow your partner to stay and work as long as you remain in New Zealand with a valid student visa.

Having the Spouse visa NZ, makes international students eligible to get numerous benefits. Firstly, they would be eligible for a Partner of Student Work Visa NZ. Secondly, they would be eligible to study in New Zealand for up to 3 months. In case your partner's qualifications do not come in the above-mentioned category your New Zealand spouse visa consultant in Chandigarh can guide you for an NZ partner visitor visa.

### NEW ZEALAND SPOUSE VISA CHECKLIST

- Academics Secondary education onwards
- Resume
- Work experience (Salary slips, Bank statements, ITR's) (if Self Employed, Business Registration certificate, Business ITR's)
- Full Passport
- Medical (Full)
- PCC
- Marriage Certificate, Palace Certificate, Gurudwara Marriage Certificate, Palace Bills, Palace Certificate
- Communication proofs (WhatsApp, calls, Instagram etc.)
- Funds (approx. 4200 NZD per person)
- Joint account/Joint FD, Joint Property
- Aadhaar Card, Voter Card, PAN card of both

- Digital photographs
- Visa History (Refusals & Approvals) (if any)
- Relationship Summary/Chronology (Format given)
- Marriage photographs, After Marriage photographs, Before Marriage
- Marriage cards from both sides
- Living Together Evidence
- INZ 1241
- Dual Name Affidavit (If Any)
- Other random photographs, Facebook & Instagram Screenshots/ Updates.
- Old Passport (If old passports are lost then provide FIR copy)
- Any Medical Report or any other document showing (W/o) & same address (Shopping bills)

## NEW ZEALAND STUDENT DEPENDENT CHILD VISA OPTIONS & REQUIREMENTS

New Zealand Student Dependent visa is also an important category in the New Zealand visas. If you have dependent children and are looking forward to study abroad then Study in New Zealand could be an excellent option for you.



Your dependent child may apply for a visitor visa or a student visa. The New Zealand student dependent child visa category of the visa for your child depends on the course you are enrolled in for your New Zealand study.

# New Zealand student dependent child visa option Student visa

This is a very attractive option for your children. If you have school going dependent children and are enrolled in an eligible course then you may apply for a Student visa for your child.



# COURSES THAT SUPPORT DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Following are courses under which you may support student visa for dependent kids

- PhD for study in New Zealand
- Masters by research for study in New Zealand

Above are the 2 levels of courses where you may support the dependent student visa for New Zealand for your school going children.

#### What if you can support a dependent work visa for your spouse but cannot support a student visa for your dependent school going children?

There may be certain situations where you may apply for a New Zealand work visa for your dependent spouse but cannot apply student visa for your children. You may still apply for your children's student visa based on your dependent spouse's work visa eligibility.

The process would be as follows:

- Apply for your New Zealand study visa
- Get your study in New Zealand visa
- Apply for a work visa for your spouse (Work visa eligibility for the dependent spouse depends on the course and other living together requirements)
- Apply for a student visa for your kids based on the eligibility of your spouse for a work visa. The visa for children can be applied along with the spouse

Other Courses where the New Zealand student visa applicant may support New Zealand work visa for the spouse



- Masters by coursework
- Post graduate courses at level 8 of New Zealand qualification framework where the course in the New Zealand Green list
- Graduate Diploma at level 7 of the New Zealand qualification framework where the course is in the New Zealand Green list
- New Zealand diplomas at Level 6 which feature in the Green List

Above are the options for you if you would like to support student visa for your children. For other courses you may support visitor visa application for your dependent children.

### STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND CONSULTANTS

Regardless of which visa category you are applying for it is extremely important to choose good Study in New Zealand Consultants. Ms. Parwinder Kaur, the director at West Highlander Study in New Zealand consultants, is an LIA Licensed Immigration Adviser and for the past 19 years, she has been a great help for study in New Zealand for Indian students.

After deciding to study in New Zealand students usually wonder which consultancy is best for New Zealand. From West Highlander study in New Zealand consultant in Chandigarh, you can expect transparent services and we will suggest programs to study in New Zealand, which are best suitable for your preferences.

International students the must gather information mentioned below for the New Zealand study visa process. They can take the help of the best studv in New Zealand consultants in Chandigarh. We provide services for New Zealand study visa, New Zealand spouse visa, New Zealand dependent visa and New Zealand visitor visa among others.

- Course options for study in New Zealand: Diploma and degree programs on various levels of the New Zealand qualification framework.
- Choosing a program to study in New Zealand which is in alliance with your previous academic history as well as in accordance with the family budget for your study in New Zealand.
- Various types of education providers in New Zealand like universities and ITPs.
- Eligibility criteria for different types of programs to study in New Zealand.
- English language proficiency requirements for study in New Zealand and best-suited exams like IELTS, TOEFL and PTE.
- Which English language tests are accepted by universities, colleges as well as Immigration New Zealand?

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- Tuition fee for international students in Indian rupees.
- Intakes of different courses in New Zealand: Apart from the main intakes of February and July, international students can start study in New Zealand in other intakes as well.
- Colleges, ITPs and universities offering the course the international students wish to study in New Zealand.
- Location of the colleges and universities.
- The facilities and amenities offered by the colleges and universities in New Zealand.
- New Zealand study visa requirements 2025.
- How much proof of funds do I need for a student visa?
- Family income requirements and proofs for New Zealand study visa.
- How much bank balance is required for New Zealand student visa?
- Cost of living in New Zealand for Indian students.
- Forming an effective statement of purpose for study in New Zealand, is a crucial part of the process and must be done with a professional's guidance.
- Character requirements (Police clearance certificate) for study in New Zealand as an international student.
- Health check requirements for New Zealand study visa 2025.
- What are the documents required for student visa in New Zealand? Get a list of documents that need to be submitted as part of the New Zealand study visa application.
- Part time work rules while study in New Zealand.
- Working Part-time opportunities in New Zealand.
- How many hours can a full-time student work in NZ and types of work international students can get while doing study in New Zealand?

- Who are eligible for post study work visa in New Zealand and post study work visa opportunities after completing study in New Zealand?
- Post study work visa duration in New Zealand based on various types of course information from study in New Zealand consultants, West Highlander.
- New Zealand student dependent visas in case of having dependents.
- Diploma and degree programs in New Zealand based on which international students can support work visa or visitor visa of the spouse.
- The types of programs based on which international students can support New Zealand student visa or New Zealand visitor visa for children.
- Know about Work rights in New Zealand for the dependent spouse.
- Study options in New Zealand for your dependent children.

It is apparent from the above-mentioned points that there are a lot of steps in the New Zealand study visa process and international students will need to be aware of this information. You can contact the study in New Zealand consultants, West Highlander to get proper guidance. Any misstep in the New Zealand study visa process can have a negative on your New Zealand student visa application.

Therefore taking services from Qualified and licensed study in New Zealand consultants is highly recommended. As a potential international student for study in New Zealand you might have done proper research, but you might not have complete or accurate information. Study in New Zealand consultants, West Highlander will provide full information required for a New Zealand study visa and all other types of visas.



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