



Welcome to UC

Nau mai, haere mai ki
Te Whare Wānanga
o Waitaha.

E ngā mana, e ngā reo,
e ngā karangatanga maha,
nei rā te whakamiha o
Te Whare Wānanga o
Waitaha ki a koutou.
Tēnā koutou katoa.



At the University of Canterbury
Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha (UC)
we are proud to give you a total
learning experience.

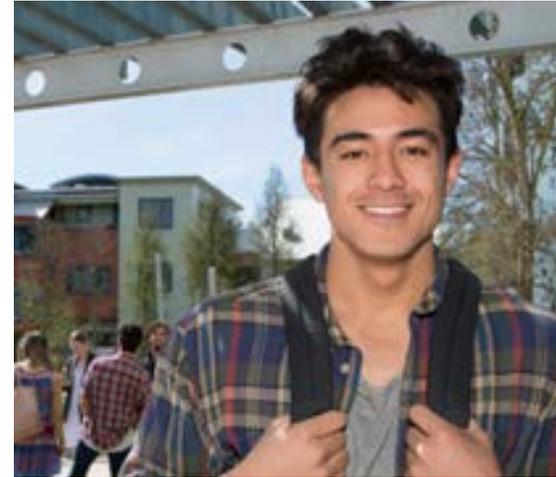
Our lecturers are world-class and
research-active. As a UC student
you'll have opportunities to get
involved in the community, try out
your skills in the workplace, and
develop bicultural perspectives and
experience that will set you up for
a career in a globally connected,
multicultural society.

We have dedicated services to
support you on campus, from
mentoring to essay-writing skills.
Our halls are close by, and with so
many clubs, events, and outdoor
adventure options on our
doorstep, you'll have an
unforgettable experience.

UC's campus transformation
provides impressive new facilities
for students. These include a
refurbished engineering precinct,
Rehua: the new Education building,
and the Rutherford Regional Science
and Innovation Centre.

Your time at UC will enable you
to join people prepared to make a
difference — tangata tū, tangata ora.
We look forward to welcoming you
to the UC community in 2018.

Dr Rod Carr
Vice-Chancellor Tumu Whakarāe



UC 7

The University of Canterbury is a truly holistic place of learning, made up of **7 outstanding dimensions** that will prepare you to change the world.

① UC Academic

Learn from world leaders and groundbreaking experts.

UC is ranked in the world's top 3% of universities and has a strong reputation for high-quality degrees, research-active teaching staff, and world-class facilities — see page 4.

② UC Enterprise

Go beyond the classroom and make your ideas happen.

Got a good idea for a start-up venture? We have the resources to help you go for it. Want to make a difference and help others? We offer opportunities, both academic and social, for you to achieve this — see page 6.

To find out more and watch our videos go to www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students/uc7

3 UC Community

You can make a difference by getting involved.

Over the last few years, UC students have earned an international reputation for their community involvement — see page 8.

4 UC Bicultural

Gain bicultural experiences and perspectives to feel confident and competent in a multicultural world.

At Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha we are committed to biculturalism. As part of this commitment, we work with Ngāi Tahu, the tangata whenua in our region — see page 10.

5 UC Global

Experience different cultures on campus or on a study exchange overseas.

Our campus is a culturally diverse community with over 100 nationalities represented. We also offer exchanges with 60 different partners around the world — see page 12.

6 UC Active

With clubs, events and outdoor adventure, you can have a unique student experience.

From the sea to the mountains, UC is on the doorstep of a massive outdoor 'playground'. Grab your board, bike or shoes and give it a go — see page 14.

7 UC Support

Tap into a dedicated support network, tools and resources.

UC is committed to helping you thrive and succeed by providing a wide range of support services from the moment you arrive on campus — see page 16.



Caitlin Dowden (pictured right)

Studying towards a LLB and a BCom in Marketing, Human Resource Management and International Business



UC Academic



150+ SUBJECTS.

UC offers more than 150 programmes from Accounting to Te Reo Māori. Some require a previous degree, but many can be started with no prior background in that subject.

UC is ranked in the world's top 3% of universities* and has a strong reputation for high-quality degrees, research-active teaching staff, and world-class facilities.

So many study options

Students learn from passionate lecturers in over 80 undergraduate subjects. Choose between professional training in areas such as Accounting, Engineering, Law, and Teaching, or more general study, for example in Arts, Commerce, and Science.

UC's degrees cater for changing times. In recent years UC has launched qualifications in Criminal Justice, Health Sciences, Global Humanitarian Engineering and, new for 2018, Product Design.

Learn from the best

- Teaching excellence is highly valued at UC, with outstanding teachers recognised by annual teaching awards.
- On average, our academics are cited more than any other New Zealand university.*
- You will learn from world experts, including over 75 Erskine fellows who visit UC to teach each year.

A leading research institution

Did you know UC is an important research university in Australasia?

- UC is ranked first or second in New Zealand for research in 10 of 17 disciplines.**

- Our programmes are research-led, with UC having the highest proportion of academics conducting both teaching and research of any New Zealand university.**
- We are home to over 40 recognised research centres, institutes and hubs.

How will I learn?

You will have access to:

- modern teaching spaces and facilities
- over 1.9 million research items
- four libraries and over 30 heritage collections
- well-equipped laboratories, including brand new Science and Engineering labs
- the best network of field stations in the country
- computer suites that are open 24-7.

Experiential learning

Opportunities for applied learning at UC can take the form of:

- internships and work placements (page 6)
- study abroad (page 12)
- community involvement (page 8)
- enterprise initiatives (page 6).

MORE

#1

of all New Zealand's universities for the most extensive network of field stations

#1

in New Zealand for proportion of researchers that teach**

More information

www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students

* QS World University Rankings, 2016.

** The latest TEC Performance-Based Research Fund Assessment, 2012.



‘UC recognises that there are different types of success. I want to seek out all the scholarships and all the internships I can. UC has opened up a lot of doors for me.’

Rachel Liao

Studying towards a Bachelor of Arts in Chinese and Political Science and International Relations, with a minor in French



UC Enterprise



\$235,000.

On offer for UC's student innovators and entrepreneurs.

Got a great business idea? We have the resources to help you start up. Want to learn in the real world? UC offers unique experience-based courses.

At UC we know that real-life experiences can enhance your academic studies as well as your CV. The attributes of enterprise, innovation, resilience and creativity are highly valued by businesses and communities the world over.

Real-world education

Experiential learning gets you out of your comfort zone and provides you with relevant work experience before graduation.

- 57% of students who completed a bachelor's degree in 2015 had a community or work-integrated learning element to their degree eg, an internship, industry placement, clinical practice, project or fieldwork.
- Take a specific course that focuses on community engagement or entrepreneurship. www.canterbury.ac.nz/courses
- Join a club that fosters enterprise. www.ucea.org.nz/clubs/find-a-club
- Get active in the community (page 8).
- Expand your horizons abroad (page 12).
- Work or volunteer to make contacts and build your CV. For tips see www.canterbury.ac.nz/careers

Turn your idea into a reality

Centre for Entrepreneurship

If you have an idea for a business or social enterprise, or want to become more innovative, tap into the Centre for Entrepreneurship. It offers:

- space to network, collaborate and create
- the UCE Incubator Programme — connect with experts and resources to fast-track your idea
- UC Summer Startup Programme and funding
- competitions like hackathons and the SDS Business Case Competition where students work with organisations to bring about change.

Enterprise-focused student clubs

- *entré* — a student-run club that organises the \$85k Challenge Competition.
- 180 Degrees Consulting — students provide consulting services to local groups.
- Global China Connection — provides students with China-related opportunities.

Make your experiences count

Gain a competitive edge with UC's Co-curricular Record. It recognises your activities outside the classroom, such as being a mentor or class rep. The record shows these skills to future employers. www.canterbury.ac.nz/student-support/co-curricular-record-ccr

MORE

4,000

hours of student engagement recorded and visible through the Co-curricular Record

57%

of students take part in community or work-integrated learning

More information

www.uce.canterbury.ac.nz



‘After starting Mallu we got picked up by the UC Centre for Entrepreneurship. That led to us entering the entré 85k challenge, which earned us cash and recognition.’

Clive Antony
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
with a minor in Philosophy



UC Community



80,000 HOURS.

In 2016, our students participated in over 80,000 hours of learning in community-based settings in Canterbury, New Zealand and abroad.

Over the last few years, UC students have earned an international reputation for their community involvement.

Urban transformation and social entrepreneurship projects in Christchurch allow students to connect with others. Whether on an industry internship, through the Student Volunteer Army (SVA), or by taking a service-learning course, there are many ways to make a difference in Christchurch.

How can I get involved?

You can develop transferable, employable skills by:

- volunteering with groups like Community Law Canterbury, and Eco Us sustainability
- taking relevant courses such as CHCH 101 Strengthening Communities through Social Innovation
- joining clubs like Kakariki (the UC environment club), the SVA or UN Youth
- making an impact through internships, work placements, and research projects.

The social network

Clubs

UC is renowned for its clubs culture — there are more than 140 groups, covering every interest imaginable. It's a great way to make friends, try something new, and make the most of uni life. See page 19 for a snapshot or search the directory at www.ucsa.org.nz/clubs/find-a-club

Events

With hundreds of events happening on campus, there is always something exciting going on — page 19 looks at the student experience at UC.

Active students' association

The University of Canterbury Students' Association (UCSA) is 100% owned and operated by students; providing communications, support and facilities for all students.

In 2019, a new UCSA building will open, providing a home for clubs, hospitality and event spaces, and a place to relax with friends.

The best of campus life

UC's unique campus is like a tiny city. Set in a beautiful green landscape, you will find 15 cafés, bars and eateries, a health centre and pharmacy, a recreation centre, book shop and art gallery. UC has four libraries and the majority of our halls of residence are within easy walking distance.

Colour me Christchurch

Whether it's cheering on the Crusaders rugby team with the Cantabs club, helping a local school as an SVA member, or checking out a music festival in Hagley Park, Christchurch is a varied and vibrant place to live, study and play — see page 14 for more details.

MORE

80%

of volunteers felt taking part helped them get a job*

2,000+

SVA members in 2016 — the biggest UC club

More information

www.ucsa.org.nz
www.sva.org.nz
www.bethere.co.nz

* UC Graduate Destination Survey 2016 (2015 graduating cohort that volunteered while at UC).



‘The UC clubs provide an awesome way to feel part of the community. It helps in the long term too. My involvement with the SVA has become a talking point in job interviews.’

Isabelle Smith
Studying towards a Bachelor of Laws and
a Bachelor of Science in Geography



UC Bicultural



**100,000
RESOURCES.**

*Books, journals and drawings on
Māori language, history and culture
in UC's Macmillan Brown Library.*

At Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha we are committed to biculturalism in a multicultural context. As part of this commitment we work with Ngāi Tahu, the tangata whenua in our region.

It is our aim that all ākonga/students, regardless of background or subject studied, will gain a bicultural perspective and experience at UC, which is increasingly valued by employers.

A unique learning perspective

At UC you can develop competence and confidence in biculturalism through:

- culturally relevant course content in your chosen subject, allowing you to reflect on yourself and your heritage
- learning about how biculturalism is relevant to international contexts
- specific courses on Māori language, culture, art, and Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- undertaking research/project work at an organisation such as Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu or the Ngāi Tahu Research Centre at UC.

UC's Office of the Assistant Vice-Chancellor Māori also promotes a bicultural learning and teaching environment.

Explore Māori culture

UC's community — our campus, clubs, events, and wider connections — provides you with many opportunities to get involved in Māori culture beyond your programme of study.

Clubs

You can take part in a club such as Te Akatoki Māori Students' Association, Te Pūtairiki Māori Law Students' Society, or DeSoc (a club that promotes diversity).

Events

Taking part in events such as Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori/Māori Language Week, diversity events, art exhibitions, or guest speaker series can broaden your understanding of different cultures.

Work experience

You can apply to work with Aotahi: School of Māori and Indigenous Studies on projects like language rejuvenation. Internships can also be undertaken at relevant organisations, depending on your programme of study.

Māori student support

At UC we are dedicated to the success of our ākonga Māori. The Māori Student Development Team can support you and your whānau through a wide number of initiatives from enrolment right through to graduation (see page 23).

MORE

1893

Ngata became the first Māori to graduate with a degree from a NZ university*

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Papatipu rūnanga of Ngāi Tahu, the tangata whenua of the Canterbury region

More information

www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students/maori-at-uc

* Sir Apirana Ngata of Ngāti Porou graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Canterbury University College (now the University of Canterbury).



‘Mentoring is fun! Last year I was mentoring a dude who’s studying education like me. He’s a Tuakana this year so now we’re working together.’

Ruihi Kawenga
Studying towards a Bachelor of Education
(Physical Education)



100 CULTURES.

Our students and staff represent over 100 nationalities, making for a wonderfully diverse campus. Further afield, you can study part of your UC degree at a university overseas.

Our campus is a culturally diverse community with over 100 nationalities represented. We also offer exchange programmes with partners around the world.

Through UC you can grow your knowledge, skills and employability by learning about and experiencing different cultures and languages. As a result, our graduates are well prepared to live and work in a global society.

Live and study abroad

UC Student Exchange programmes

Are you keen to experience a new culture? Do you want to travel without putting your studies on hold? UC has more than 60 exchange agreements with universities in North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. While paying tuition fees to UC, you could study at institutions like:

- University College London
- University of Copenhagen
- Lund University
- University of British Columbia
- University of California
- University of Hong Kong
- National University of Singapore
- Tsinghua University
- University of Adelaide.

See a full list of partner universities at www.canterbury.ac.nz/international/study-abroad-and-exchange/partner-institution-details

We can also help you fund your exchange. Visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/international/study-abroad-and-exchange

Subject-specific connections

Some programmes allow students to travel as part of their course, eg, study international business in China, learn the language in Spain or Russia, conduct a legal internship in the USA, and more. Speak to a UC Liaison Officer for details.

Search www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students/fees-and-funding/scholarships-at-uc for funding that could help you to do this.

A global destination

Our unique Erskine Fellowship programme brought 87 international academics to teach and give seminars at UC in 2016. Previous fellows have come from Oxford, Cambridge, Stanford, Harvard, and UCLA and have included Nobel Prize winners.

International students are an integral part of the UC community. As well as welcoming full-degree students, the university's partnerships enable students from some institutions to study part of their qualification at UC.

MORE

60 partner universities in Asia, Europe, North America and Australia

\$0 the cost of your return flight to one of our partner universities*

More information

T: +64 3 369 3876

E: ucmobility@canterbury.ac.nz

www.canterbury.ac.nz/international

* For undergraduate students enrolling in 2018. Academic standing and other conditions apply.



‘I’m from Samoa. I’m here on scholarship getting my degree. On my island we have quite a few problems. It’s always been my dream to help.’

Dorothy Fagasua

Studying towards a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Natural Resources Engineering



UC Active



30 MINUTES.

Within half an hours' drive of UC, you could be surfing, swimming, or paddling at one of a number of beaches; or rock climbing, biking, running or walking in the hills.

Christchurch, the largest city in the South Island, is a massive outdoor adventure playground. Grab your board, bike or boots and get out there.

The great outdoors

Located on the coast and home to rivers and lakes, Christchurch is perfect for water sports. There are six swimming beaches and multiple surf spots just a short drive from UC.

The city's Port Hills are popular for biking, walking and rock climbing. Hagley Park, at the heart of the city, has 165 hectares of space for golf, netball, croquet, model yachts and tennis, as well as woodland and sports grounds for both school, club and casual competitions.

Just nearby are some of the best locations for rock climbing, rafting, tramping, skiing, kayaking, and snowboarding.

Leisure and lifestyle

There are a variety of things to do in the city – from art exhibitions and cultural celebrations to sporting events and music festivals. Make the most of your leisure time at:

- over 700 parks
- over 900 cafés, restaurants and bars
- farmers' markets and vineyards
- the largest shopping mall in the South Island.

Enjoy a day trip to the historic French town of Akaroa, the thermal resort of Hanmer Springs or the seaside town of Kaikōura.

Get active on campus

Clubs

Take part in all sorts of activities by checking out one of UC's 30-plus sports clubs.

- Try something new like learning to surf, giving AFL a go, or joining the ultimate frisbee scene.
- Indulge your passion for tramping, snow sports, canoeing, yoga or hockey (to name a few).
- Or you could always start your own club!

www.ucca.org.nz/clubs/find-a-club

UC RecCentre

Basic gym membership is free to all UC students. Lift weights, do cardio, join a fitness class, play social sport or climb the rockwall – daily activity is proven to help your body and brain.

www.reccentre.canterbury.ac.nz

UC Sport

Come along to a free social sport competition such as dodgeball or volleyball, or join a sports league in soccer, netball, basketball or touch.

Other services include an inter-university competition, an athlete and coach development programme and a sports science centre.

www.canterbury.ac.nz/sport

MORE

\$0 the cost of student gym membership at the UC RecCentre*

10 ski fields within two hours' drive

More information

www.christchurchnz.com
www.bethere.co.nz
www.sportcanterbury.org.nz

* Extra charges apply for squash, badminton, bootcamps, personal training and some other amenities. See www.reccentre.canterbury.ac.nz for details.



‘At UC there are so many awesome outdoor spaces you can get to. You go up to the mountains to let off some steam, and come back so much more refreshed and focused for your study.’

Sam Clarke

Studying towards a Bachelor of Science
in Computer Science and Philosophy



3,400+ CONTACTS.

UC's Careers, Internships and Employment service has over 3,400 employer connections. Students can access these through consultations, employer information events and Career Fairs.

UC is dedicated to helping you thrive and succeed by providing a wide range of support services.

Get off to a great start

Orientation

UC Orientation is a great way to start your year, with two weeks of events, information and fun. www.canterbury.ac.nz/orientation

There are dedicated welcomes for international students in February and July. www.canterbury.ac.nz/international

Peer support

Pairing up with an experienced student mentor can help you navigate all aspects of UC life. www.canterbury.ac.nz/support/mentoring

Tap into your UC whānau

UC has many groups to help you feel like you belong. Here are a few to start with:

- UCSA (see below and pages 8, 10, 14, 34)
- Māori student support (see page 23)
- Pacific student support (see page 24).

The Students' Association

The UCSA is 100% owned and operated by students for students, and provides:

- academic advocacy and class reps
- financial assistance and subsidised dental care

- two early childhood learning centres
- CANTA magazine and a student discount app.

Practical and personal help

Get advice and support

Our friendly Student Care Advisors can help you to settle in and deal with any concerns. www.canterbury.ac.nz/student-support/talk-to-someone

Academic Skills Centre (ASC)

Our advisors can help you hone your assignment, report, essay, presentation, and study skills. www.academickills.canterbury.ac.nz

Specialised disability support

If you have a learning difficulty or other condition that may affect your study, the Disability Resource Service (DRS) can assist you. www.canterbury.ac.nz/disability

Careers, Internships and Employment

Career resources, seminars, and Career Fairs are some of the services offered by the Careers team. www.canterbury.ac.nz/careers

Health and well-being

The UC Health Centre provides full GP, medical, counselling and related services to all students. www.canterbury.ac.nz/healthcentre

MORE

5,600+ students are upskilled through ASC each year

325 students with a disability being assisted by the DRS

More information

www.canterbury.ac.nz/student-support



‘I’ve always loved volunteering. It’s a great way to help other people. Plus on a personal level you get to make friends and meet like-minded people.’

Samuel Lam

Studying towards a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Mechanical Engineering