

University of Canterbury Study Options



Manaaki New Zealand
Scholarships

UC  UNIVERSITY OF
CANTERBURY
Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha

In 2023, Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury celebrated 150 years of accessible education, research that makes a difference, and working with our communities.

UC was founded on principles of accessible education. In the words of our first Chancellor, Henry John Tancred, “Rich as well as poor, should have every opportunity afforded to them of cultivating and developing the higher faculties...”

Over the last 150 years, UC has adapted to meet many challenges, emerging as a resilient, caring organisation that stands with our community in times of need. Now is a time to recognise not only the passionate, talented educators and researchers that have been making a world of difference for our students, community, and region, but also the communities that have supported us in doing so.

Our past 150 years help guide us to shape our future. We welcome you to join us in celebrating our past and heralding the years to come.

Welcome to UC

‘The University of Canterbury (UC) has so much to offer international students. With globally recognised academic programmes, opportunities to explore the world, and a great student lifestyle, UC has a strong reputation as a study destination. As well as gaining a quality qualification, UC graduates develop the skills and experience needed to make a difference in the 21st century. Our student internships, work placements, and industry and community connections will help you to gain valuable experience that you can take back to your country. UC celebrates people prepared to make a difference – tangata tū, tangata ora. We look forward to welcoming more Manaaki NZ Scholarship students to the UC community.’

Professor Cheryl de la Rey
Vice-Chancellor | Tumu Whakarae
University of Canterbury



Christchurch
is in the heart of
the South Island,
providing the ideal
gateway to explore
the best of New
Zealand.

30 minutes
to the beach from UC

1 hour
to the mountains



Akaroa image from Christchurch and Canterbury Tourism. Christchurch photos courtesy www.christchurchnz.com and Jo O'Brien.

‘Christchurch has everything around it, there’s the hills and then there’s the beaches - everything is in one place.’

Emmie Malosi Inomae
Solomon Islands
Master of Education



Christchurch



Lifestyle

UC is located in Christchurch, the 2nd most populated city in New Zealand and the largest in the South Island. With a modern, bustling city centre, Christchurch has no shortage of exciting experiences. From vibrant cafes, restaurants, and bars to galleries, cinemas, and festivals, Christchurch offers it all in a compact city where nothing is more than a 30-minute drive away.



Nature

Christchurch is home to more than 700 public parks and gardens, including Hagley Park and the beautiful Botanic Gardens, located in the very heart of the city. For the adventurous, the Port Hills provide a stunning setting for walking and biking. Nestled between the mountains and the sea, Christchurch is one of the few places in the world where you can go surfing in the morning and skiing in the afternoon.



Opportunity

Christchurch is undergoing an extraordinary transformation, providing endless opportunities and nurturing innovators and leaders. Residents challenge the status quo and continuously explore new ideas and ways of doing things. For students, this means a wide range of opportunities for internships, mentoring services, networking events, and more.

‘I like studying here because I find there is balance between my studies and my life in general.’

Chammy Borja
Philippines
Master of Engineering Studies



University of Canterbury (UC) Key statistics



Founded in 1873

by scholars from Oxford
& Cambridge

22,734

Students enrolled in 2022

5 Star QS rating

for being a world-class university

Top 2%

of universities in the world



Top 150

for Business & Economics (THE Ranking 2023)

Ranked 11th for Civil Engineering

According to the Academic Ranking World
Universities 2022

#2 in New Zealand

for employability*



UC's Business School has triple crown accreditation (less than 1% of business schools worldwide hold all three).

'Tangata Tū, Tangata Ora – Engaged, Empowered, Making a Difference'

Strategic Vision 2020 to 2030

*QS World Rankings 2023/24



‘UC is very well prepared to receive its students. They have up-to-date facilities and the lecturers are very approachable.’

Fernando Jun Fujita
Brazil
Master of
Engineering Studies

Services and support



Support

Manaaki New Zealand Scholarship students receive specialist support and care at UC, including having a dedicated Scholarship Advisor who will assist you throughout the length of your studies. You will also be able to benefit from the UC Student Care Team and the Academic Skills Centre, an advisory service that exists to maximise student achievement.

Academic Skills Centre

The Academic Skills Centre (ASC) is a free advisory service and resource hub that focuses on writing and study strategies to maximise student achievement at all levels from first year through to PhD. ASC offer individual consultations with a learning advisor to discuss assignments, workshops, seminars, lectures, and online resources on critical thinking and writing in the university context.

Clubs

UC has a vibrant student community, with more clubs and societies than any other New Zealand university. More than 150 clubs cover everything from sporting and social to cultural and professional, providing events, activities, support, training, and endless opportunities for personal and professional development.



‘The scholarship advisors have been great and are always making sure we are doing well.’

Christine Prasad
Fiji
Master of Science

Study options

Manaaki New Zealand Scholarships are offered for study in specific subjects linked to the development needs of your country. The following pages list possible study options at UC relevant to the four overarching priority themes: Climate Change and Resilience, Economic Resilience, Education and Health, and Good Governance.





‘Christchurch is like a laboratory for us. We are able to have a hands-on learning experience.’

Jon Gaviola
Philippines
Master of Disaster, Risk and Resilience

Climate Change and Resilience

Degree	Intakes	Duration
Master of Architectural Engineering	February	1 year
Master of Arts Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/master-of-arts to check available majors for this qualification	February & July	2 years
Master of Civil Engineering Endorsements: Construction Management, Earthquake Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Renewable Energy, Structural Engineering, Structural Fire Engineering, Transportation Engineering, Water Engineering Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-civil-engineering/ to check the endorsements for this qualification	February & July	1 year
Master of Disaster, Risk and Resilience	February	1 year
Master of Engineering Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/master-of-engineering to check the endorsements for this qualification	February & July	1–3 years
Master of Engineering Studies: • Mechanical Engineering • Renewable Energy	February & July	1 year
Master of Forestry Science	February & July	1–3 years
Master of Laws	February & July	1-2 years
Master of Policy & Governance	February	1.5 years
Master of Science Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/master-of-science/ to check the subjects for this qualification	February & July	2 years
Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal	February	1 year
Master of Water Science and Management	February	1 year
Professional Master of Engineering Geology	February	1 year
Professional Master of Geospatial Science and Technology	February	1 year
Doctor of Philosophy	Any month	3–3.5 years



‘From second semester all of my courses have hands-on exercises... It’s both fun and helpful because it helps me understand better. A theory can be quite complicated but when you start putting it into practice it becomes much clearer.’

Vongai Vanessa Mahamba
Zimbabwe
Master of Engineering
Studies

Economic Resilience

Degree	Intakes	Duration
Master of Applied Data Science	February & July	1 year
Master of Applied Finance and Economics	January	12–14 months
Master of Business Information Systems	February & July	17 months
Master of Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Management • Management • Marketing 	February & July	17 months
Master of Commerce Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-commerce/ to check the majors of this qualification	February & July	12– 18 months
Master of Financial Engineering	February	1 year
Master of Professional Accounting	February & July	18–22 months
Master of Science Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-science/ to check the subjects of this qualification	February & July	2 years
Doctor of Philosophy	Any month	3–3,5 years



‘I’ve been doing a data visualisation project at a company called Dairy Works, creating a dashboard for their sales team. It’s been a great way of gaining professional experience.’

Kristina Singdala

Laos

**Master of Business
Information Systems**

Education and Health

Degree	Intakes	Duration
Master of Audiology	February	2 years
Master of Education Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/education/study-education/education-qualifications/education-postgraduate-study/master-of-education-information/ to check the endorsements for this qualification	February & July	18 months
Master of Health Sciences Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/master-of-health-sciences-professional-practice/ to check the endorsements for this qualification	February & July	18 months
Master of Speech and Language Pathology	February	2 years
Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages	February & July	1 year
Doctor of Philosophy	Any month	3-3,5 years



‘Here at UC I’ve learned about Māori health models and how they work. In Laos we have 49 ethnic groups, so learning how to educate people across different cultures will really help me to make a difference in the community.’

Alanya Chalernphon

Laos

Master of Health Sciences

Good Governance

Degree	Intakes	Duration
Master of Applied Data Science	February & July	1 year
Master of Applied Finance and Economics	January	12–14 months
Master of Arts Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-arts/ to check the majors for this qualification	February & July	18 months
Master of Business: Marketing , Management or Financial Management major	February & July	17 months
Master of Commerce Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-commerce/ to check the majors for this qualification	February & July	12–18 months
Master of Health Sciences Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/academic-study/qualifications/master-of-health-sciences-professional-practice to check the endorsements for this qualification	February & July	18 months
Master of International Relations & Diplomacy	February	1 year
Master of Laws	February & July	1–2 years
Master of Laws (International Relations & Politics)	February & July	1–2 years
Master of Policy & Governance	February	1 year
Master of Professional Accounting	February & July	21–23 months
Master of Science Please visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/masters-degrees/master-of-science/ to check the subjects for this qualification	February & July	2 years
Doctor of Philosophy	Any month	3–3.5 years



‘My research area is looking into whether there’s potential for the space industry to help grow a knowledge-based economy in Vanuatu and other small island states.’

Kevin Smith Hinge
Vanuatu
Master of Policy and
Governance



‘My experience with UC was beyond an academic exercise; it has been humbling yet empowering. I’ve gained knowledge and skills, met so many amazing people and had the chance to pursue my passion. I’m so glad I decided to come here.’

Adinda Chaerany
Indonesia
Master of
Engineering Studies

Whaia Te Matauranga Seek after knowledge



Further information

www.christchurchnz.com

www.canterbury.ac.nz/engage/partnerships/government-sponsorship/new-zealand-manaaki-scholarship

www.nzscholarships.govt.nz

UC on Facebook: [universitycanterbury](https://www.facebook.com/universitycanterbury)

UC on YouTube: [universityofcanterbury](https://www.youtube.com/universityofcanterbury)

UC on Instagram: [ucnz](https://www.instagram.com/ucnz)

UC on Twitter: [ucnz](https://twitter.com/ucnz)

Snapchat: [uc.nz](https://www.snapchat.com/add/ucnz)

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