NEW ZEALAND ENGLISH STUDIES 2005

ACHIEVEMENT INSTITUTE

Christchurch - Dunedin
NEW ZEALAND

Since 1994
"10 years of excellence in education and care."
Welcome to Achievement

The Achievement Institute of Language was established in 1994 and is one of the most respected private language schools in New Zealand*. This reputation for excellence has been achieved through offering high quality education programmes and exceptional pastoral care for students. The Institute also offers a special school for young learners.

The Achievement Institute provides a warm and caring learning environment with modern purpose built facilities in Christchurch and Dunedin. Students enjoy small classes and quality lessons from highly qualified and experienced teachers. The Institute is well known for its diverse range of nationalities and students make outstanding progress with their English. The Institute also provides direct pathways for students to New Zealand’s best high schools, private colleges and universities.

Students who choose to study at the Achievement Institute are serious about improving their English and enjoy the extra curricular activities that enable them to make the most of their educational experience in New Zealand.

* The New Zealand Government (NZQA) has issued the Institute a quality audit rating of 96%.

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**Official Affiliations**

*APPET*

*Education Council*

*Education Dunedin*

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Christchurch, an English City

Christchurch was settled by the English and is home to the University of Canterbury, which was founded by Oxford University scholars. Known as the garden city of New Zealand, it is famous for its wide-open green spaces and is the gateway to the scenic beauty of the South Island. Christchurch is considered the safest city in New Zealand.

Christchurch School

The Christchurch School is conveniently located in the central city and is within walking distance of parks, cafés, great shopping, the city library and public pools. The modern, purpose-built school has exceptional facilities and is an ideal environment for learning English. Facilities include a common room, computer laboratory, library and outdoor courtyard.

Christchurch Junior School (Students aged under 18 years)

The Junior School was opened in 2001 to provide a safe environment for young learners to study English. It is located only one kilometre from the main school on a quiet, tree-lined street. Teachers are qualified and experienced to teach young students and class sizes are smaller than the main school. The Institute has a long history of preparing younger students for New Zealand schools. Facilities include a common room, computer laboratory, and outdoor play area.

Dunedin, a Scottish City

Dunedin was settled by the Scottish and is home to New Zealand’s first university, the University of Otago. Known as the student city, it is famous for looking after the needs of students. More than half the students at the university are from the North Island and 75% of the international students are from North America and Europe. Dunedin has an international reputation for educational excellence and students make up 20% of the community. The university is located within the city centre.

Dunedin School

The Dunedin School is conveniently located in the central city and is within walking distance of parks, cafés, great shopping, the city library and the university. The school provides modern, purpose-built facilities within a historic building opposite the university medical school. Facilities include a common room, library and computer laboratory. Students enjoy the many activities available for students that are studying in the city. Students can also experience nature first-hand with royal albatross, sea lions, seals and yellow-eyed penguin colonies along the coast.

* The Institute is one of the few private language schools in New Zealand that is approved by the Ministry of Education to teach young learners.

TRUONG LIND Vu, grandson of Mr NGUYEN Van Linh, the late secretary general of The Vietnamese Committee Party.

Achievement helped me to prepare for Burnside High School and ultimately university. I am now studying towards a Bachelor of Business Information Management at The University of Auckland.

Nationality Mix 2004
No more than 20% of any nationality.
18% Thailand
17% Japan
16% Korea
15% China
10% Vietnam
5% Russian
19% Other
ACHIEVEMENT INSTITUTE

INTENSIVE ENGLISH: 7 Levels (2 – 48 weeks)

Intensive English focuses on the development of spoken and written English language skills. Speaking, listening, reading and writing activities are used to build knowledge of the grammar and vocabulary of English.

Entry: Students are tested and placed in a class appropriate to their level.

Courses begin every Monday, from 10 January 2005 – 22 December 2005

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION: (2 – 48 weeks)

This programme prepares students for direct entry to a quality New Zealand high school. The course raises the student's English level and helps them adjust to the culture and expectations of a New Zealand high school. The programme teaches students the language required to succeed in all subjects by focusing on Mathematics, New Zealand Studies and Computing Skills. This programme is taught at the Junior School in Christchurch and the main school in Dunedin.

Entry: Beginners to Advanced.

Course dates: Courses begin every Monday, from 10 January 2005 – 22 December 2005

IELTS EXAM PREPARATION: (length 8 weeks)

IELTS is an international examination that helps New Zealand high schools, colleges and universities set a minimum English language requirement. This course prepares students for this examination. Topics include essay writing, reading skills, listening for specific information and exam technique.

Entry: Intermediate to Advanced

Course dates: 14 February 2005 – 8 April 2005
2 May 2005 – 24 June 2005
22 August 2005 – 14 October 2005
10 October 2005 – 2 December 2005

ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES: (EAP) – (length 12 weeks)

This programme was developed with the help of the University of Canterbury for students who are planning to undertake university study in New Zealand. It includes preparation for the IELTS examination as well as study skills necessary for university study. Topics include note taking, study skills, essay writing, research skills and exam technique.

Entry: Intermediate to Advanced

Course dates: 4 April 2005 – 24 June 2005 (in time for university intake)
12 September 2005 – 2 December 2005 (in time for university intake)

UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION BRIDGING COURSE: (length 10 weeks)

This programme was developed by the University of Otago as a ‘Direct Entry’ pathway to foundation studies at New Zealand and Australian Universities. Successful students gain entry to foundation studies without having to re-sit an IELTS examination. The programme introduces subjects students will study during their foundation year, while also improving their English and study skills for university. Subjects include: Academic English, Mathematics, Economics, Accounting and Study skills.

Entry: English Requirement: Upper Intermediate (IELTS 5.0)

Course dates: Academic Requirement: Within 10% of ‘Foundation Year’ entry requirement: 16 February 2005 – 29 April (June Foundation Studies intake)
1 August 2005 – 7 October 2005 (November Foundation Studies intake)
31 October 2005 – 20 January 2006 (February Foundation Studies intake)

*The Institute has offered the High School Preparation Programme for eight years and has placed over 250 students into New Zealand schools. Please turn to the pathways page to see the schools we work with.
OUR COURSES
Dynamic and positive learning

TRAVEL AND TOURISM ENGLISH: (length 10 weeks)
This course is designed for students who are interested in the tourism industry. Topics include, travel agencies, cultural awareness, tour guiding, marketing and eco-tourism. The course offers direct entry to courses at The Sir George Seymour National College of Travel and Tourism and The Pacific International Hotel Management School.

Entry: Intermediate
Course dates: 17 January 2005 – 25 March 2005
11 July 2005 – 16 September 2005

BUSINESS ENGLISH: (length 10 weeks)
This course was developed for business migrants wanting to do business in New Zealand. It is popular with all students and topics include; business, culture, communication, computing, presentations and management.

Entry: Intermediate
Course dates: 18 April 2005 – 24 June 2005
3 October 2005 – 9 December 2005

EMPLOYMENT ENGLISH: (2 – 48 weeks)
This course assists students to develop the tools, skills and knowledge to find work experience and/or employment in New Zealand. It is popular with students on Working Holiday Visas. Topics include; curriculum vitae, interview techniques, strategies for employment and personal presentation.

Entry: Intermediate
Course dates: Courses begin every Monday, from 10 January 2005 – 22 December 2005

CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING ENGLISH: (6 weeks)
Provides non-native speakers of English all the core skills needed to work as a sole charge teacher of English in ‘English as a Foreign Language’ environments. This course is taught in conjunction with CLTI and Lincoln University.

Entry: Upper Intermediate
Course dates: 24 January 2005 – 4 March 2005
28 March 2005 – 6 May 2005
23 May 2005 – 1 July 2005
16 July 2005 – 26 August 2005
12 September 2005 – 21 October 2005
7 November 2005 – 16 December 2005

GROUP PROGRAMMES
The Institute offers a range of exciting tours for groups. Students study English in the morning and enjoy activities in the afternoon. Activities may include; horse riding, kite making, cooking classes, swimming with dolphins and kiwi sports.

Contact us for a sample programme.
TUITION and HOMESTAY FEES 2005
Christchurch and Dunedin Campuses

Tuition

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The Institute can help arrange other types of accommodation. Prices range from $22 per night for a shared room (hostel) or $220 per week for full services.

All fees are paid directly to a government trust (Public Trust). These fees are then paid to the Institute on a fortnightly basis once a student starts studying. This ensures the complete protection of student’s tuition, homestay and living fees.
Activities Programme

The Institute encourages students to study hard. This philosophy is balanced by a full activities programme, which ensures students take time to relax and enjoy New Zealand’s outdoors. Although most students take advantage of the activities coordinated by the Institute, we also help students book tourism adventures.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
Every Friday afternoon a teacher supervises an activity that is chosen by students. Examples include: visiting the art gallery, a restaurant lunch, tennis and other sports.

MONTHLY SCHOOL ACTIVITY
Once a month the entire school enjoys a day trip. This provides students with an opportunity to see local scenery and to socialize with their fellow students and teachers. Sometimes the institute will take students to events associated with annual festivals. A good example of this is the annual A&P Show, which provides an opportunity for students to see farm animals and experience the agricultural side of New Zealand.

SCHOOL GROUP TOURS 2005
These trips provide teachers with the opportunity to show students some of New Zealand’s most famous natural wonders. The activities are guided by a teacher and the cost includes transport and accommodation. Many students choose to study at a time that includes one or more of these planned tours.

Mount Cook and Tekapo: $170.00
See New Zealand’s highest mountain and enjoy salmon sashimi.
Dates: 25-27 February, 15-17 April, 3-5 June, 30 September-2 October

West Coast and Queenstown: $350.00
Experience beautiful scenery, walking on a glacier, jet boating or bungy jumping.
Dates: 24-28 March, 20-24 October

Abel Tasman National Park: $350.00
Visit one of New Zealand’s most beautiful national parks, and enjoy whale watching.
Dates: 10-13 November

Queenstown and Mount Cook: $270.00
Experience two of New Zealand’s top tourist attractions.
Date: 22-25 April

FESTIVALS

Christchurch:
To find more information on festivals in Christchurch go to: www.localeye.info/

December to March: Summer Times: Community events to enjoy the summer months.
February: Garden City Flowers and Romance Festival: Celebrating romance.
July: Arts Festival: Witness the artistic side of Christchurch.
November: Showtime Canterbury: Fashion, agricultural shows and exciting horse racing.

Dunedin:
To find more information on festivals in Dunedin go to: www.dunedinnz.com

February: Dunedin Fashion Show: Talented fashion designers showcase their collections.
February - March: University Orientation: festivities to welcome students to Dunedin.
March: Dunedin Food and Wine Festival: Enjoy varied cuisines and new taste experiences.
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Student Services

The Institute ensures every student arrives safely and offers support to students when they need help. The school administrators are always available to help students.

INSURANCE: International students must have appropriate medical travel insurance while studying. The Institute can arrange this for students.

HOMESTAY PLACEMENT: The Institute is able to arrange caring and friendly homestays. This includes:
- A single room
- A wardrobe, bed, bedding, drawers, desk, chair and heater.
- Three meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- Full laundry facilities
- The use of the telephone

HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION: For students looking for inner city apartments to share or rent we highly recommend THE MILL. The MILL is a modern apartment block designed for independent international students looking for high quality inner city accommodation. www.livingspace.net

FREE AIRPORT PICKUP: Students are met at the airport by a staff member or homestay host.

ORIENTATION: Students are given information about the city and the school on their first day.

COUNSELLORS: Native speaking counselors are available for students when required.

INTERNET ACCESS: Students enjoy free internet access and can email friends and family in their own language.

PLACEMENT SERVICE: The Institute can assist students with applications to high schools, private college and universities. This is a free service.

SCHOOL TRANSFERS: Students can ask for assistance and advice when transferring between schools in Christchurch and Dunedin.

VISA ADVICE: Students can count on our friendly team for advice on extending visas.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE: The Institute works closely with a medical centre which provides care for students. Staff are happy to arrange appointments and take students to the doctor.

EMERGENCY HELP: A staff member is available at all times for students.
- Christchurch: Susan McQuade  Ph: 0274 272 362
- Dunedin: Belinda Le Lievre  Ph: 0274 195 674
- Tim Ruthven  Ph: 0273 449 416

The Institute is a signatory to the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students.

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