

Foundation Studies NZ - New Students

You can now start Foundation Studies at Waikato University, New Zealand, on any of 3 dates in the year. These are the end of February, the beginning of July and the beginning of November. Commencing in November will allow you to start your degree level study in semester B (July) next year. If you are currently studying Foundation Studies in 2011 B semester you will be able to complete Foundation and start degree study by the beginning of A semester 2012 if you study over the summer(C) trimester. If interested please reply email to Dr Tony Cartner: t.cartner@waikato.ac.nz.



If you also need to improve your Academic English skills before commencing Foundation Studies the Waikato Pathways College offers these programmes. Click on the top banner to go to the University website for more information.

Foundation Studies(CAFS) is a programme for international students whose high school background is not in the English language and who need to complete the equivalent of NZ University Entrance(UE) before starting *any* New Zealand University undergraduate degree.

The programme requirements are:

- 8 papers taken over any 2 teaching trimesters (A, B or C)
- 3 papers in English language, 2 in the first trimester and 1 in the second trimester
- 5 elective papers, 2 in the first trimester and 3 in the second trimester.
- Elective choices include Accounting, Comparative Cultures, Mathematics, Calculus, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, General Science, Social Sciences, Critical Thinking, Study Skills, English for Specific Purposes,

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2011 C Teaching Period (commencing 7 November 2011, no classes 19 December until 7 January, finishing 26 February 2012)

- CAFS001 English for Foundation Studies 1
- CAFS003 Language and Learning for Foundation Studies

2011 T Teaching Period (commencing 7 November 2011, finishing 16 December 2011)

- CAFS099 English for Specific Purposes (taken by students who need additional English)
- CUPR008 Bridging Mathematics and Statistics
- CUPR025 Bridging General Science

- CAFS004 Bridging Calculus
- CAFS006 Bridging Accounting
- CAFS010 Bridging Chemistry
- CAFS011 Bridging Physics

If you are studying Foundation in 2011 Semester B and if you pass the 4 papers.....

You can complete in 2011 C semester. *We can now offer most papers over the New Zealand summertime.* This is offered for the first time this year. In November 2011 you will be able to study the following papers(4 papers to be taken; 2 from the 2011C list, 1 from 2011T list and 1 from 2012S list).

2011 C Teaching Period (commencing 7 November 2011, no classes 19 December until 7 January, finishing 26 February 2012)

- CAFS002 English for Foundation Studies 2
- CUPR004 Bridging Social Sciences

2011 T Teaching Period (commencing 7 November 2011, finishing 16 December 2011)

- CAFS099 English for Specific Purposes
- CUPR008 Bridging Mathematics and Statistics
- CUPR025 Bridging General Science

2012 S Teaching Period (commencing 7 January 2012, finishing 26 February 2012)

- CAFS004 Bridging Calculus
- CAFS006 Bridging Accounting
- CAFS010 Bridging Chemistry
- CAFS011 Bridging Physics

If you are studying Foundation in 2011 Semester B and do not pass your compulsory papers.....

You can catch up by repeating these papers in the NZ summer. You will study just 2 papers in the 2011 C semester as in list below and if you feel confident you can pick up an additional paper in 2012 S teaching period.

2011 C Teaching Period (commencing 7 November 2011, no classes 19 December until 7 January, finishing 26 February 2012)

- CAFS001 English for Foundation Studies 1
- CAFS003 Language and Learning for Foundation Studies

2012 S Teaching Period (commencing 7 January 2012, finishing 26 February 2012)

- CAFS004 Bridging Calculus
 - CAFS006 Bridging Accounting
 - CAFS010 Bridging Chemistry
 - CAFS011 Bridging Physics
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Above photograph shows the 2011 Bridging Physics Class

Students in this photo were in Bridging Physics. The class had 28 students in 2011 A semester. Fourteen were New Zealanders (some born in South Africa, Zimbabwe and Fiji), 6 were from the Peoples Republic of China, 1 from Taiwan, 1 from Hong Kong, 1 from Thailand and 5 from Saudi Arabia. Most were studying Physics and Mathematics in preparation for an Engineering degree at the University of Waikato in Mechanical, Electronic, Software, Chemical & Biological or Materials & Process Engineering.