

# CHOOSE TAURANGA



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*Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato*

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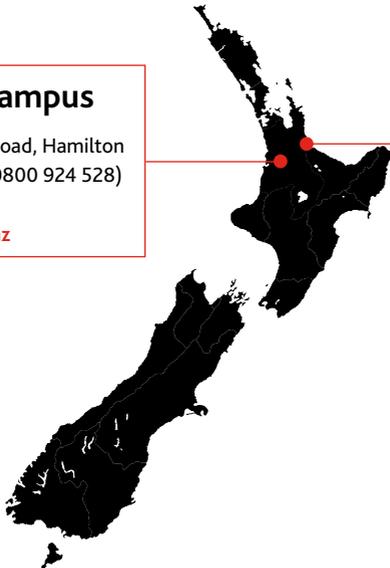
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# Nau mai piki mai, nau mai kake mai

## Welcome to the Tauranga campus

Located in the heart of one of New Zealand's most exciting coastal cities, our Tauranga campus offers a distinctive study experience shaped by place, people and possibility. Purpose-built for connection, it brings together students, researchers, industry and community in an environment where ideas are shared, practical learning is encouraged, and real impact is made.

Study close to home or move to the Bay of Plenty region for an unbeatable lifestyle and a strong sense of belonging. Our award-winning campus sits within a growing education and innovation precinct, with modern science and engineering labs, marine and aquaculture research spaces, quality student accommodation, and hands-on sustainability and tech spaces where you can be part of real projects that make a difference.

You'll be backed by a friendly and dedicated student services team from your very first day, helping you feel confident, supported and equipped throughout your studies. We offer many of the same programmes as Hamilton, with the flexibility to build a study pathway that fits your interests and goals. As the Tauranga campus continues to grow, so will the opportunities available to you, giving you even more ways to connect, learn and shape your future in this thriving coastal region.

This brochure outlines the undergraduate study options available at our Tauranga campus.



# Why Choose Tauranga?



## Bachelor's degrees

11 programmes to choose from



## Postgraduate

A growing range of options to choose from



## Work-integrated Learning

In all our bachelor degrees



## Accommodation

Modern student living options close to campus



## Lifestyle

A relaxed coastal lifestyle by the beach



## Flexible degrees

To suit your interests and career plans



## Scholarships

Worth more than \$11m



## Free shuttle

Travel between campuses



## Marine science

A flagship programme unique to Tauranga



## Campus experience

A friendly, modern learning environment



## Te Tohu Paetahi

The longest-running te reo Māori immersion programme of its kind



## Global experiences

Through the trimester exchange programme

# Discover Tauranga

## A coastal city made for exploring.

The Bay of Plenty truly lives up to its name, offering an enviable beachside lifestyle where people, culture and nature come together. Within easy reach of Auckland, Rotorua, Whakatāne and Hamilton, Tauranga is one of New Zealand's fastest growing cities. Bustling with arts, cultural, sporting and recreational activities, the city has everything you need.



**Endless beaches and great surf**

With kilometres of golden coastline, Tauranga, Mount Maunganui and Pāpāmoa offer some of the best beach days in New Zealand. Sunrise swims, long walks on Main Beach and afternoon surfs are part of everyday life here. The Mount's beach is regularly recognised as one of the best in the South Pacific.

## Hiking and outdoor adventures

While we look forward to the restoration and reopening of Mauao, our much-adored ancestral maunga, there is still plenty to do in Tauranga. The region offers an abundance of trails, waterfalls and reserves to explore. Whether you prefer relaxed coastal walks or more challenging day hikes, Tauranga provides endless reasons to get outside and enjoy the Bay of Plenty's enviable climate.



**Shopping and entertainment**

Bayfair and The Crossing offer a mix of major brands, local boutiques, cinemas and dining options. They are easy weekend destinations for shopping, food or meeting up with friends.

## Nightlife and social spots

Tauranga city and the Mount have plenty of places to unwind, including casual pubs, breweries, live music venues and waterfront dining. There is always somewhere new to try, whether you prefer relaxed evenings or something more lively.

**A lifestyle that feels relaxed, warm and full of possibility.**

### **A city with character and coastline**

Tauranga offers a mix of coastal living and the energy of a growing city. Festivals, food markets, sports events, surf competitions and live music help create a vibrant atmosphere throughout the year. The city is also in the middle of reshaping its city centre, with a new civic quarter under development that will bring together public spaces, cultural venues and community events.



### **A friendly and welcoming community**

People here are approachable and down to earth. It is easy to settle in, find your favourite spots and become part of the community.

### **Sunshine, space and balance**

Tauranga has one of the warmest climates in the country, which makes it perfect for outdoor living. The city offers a good balance of study, work and downtime, with beaches, walks and cafés close by.

### **A region with opportunities**

The Bay of Plenty is known for its mix of coastal industries, creative ventures and emerging innovation. Marine and environmental projects, sport and recreation, tourism, agriculture and tech businesses all contribute to a region that offers plenty of ways to get involved. Whether you want part-time work, to volunteer, or explore a future career path, there are many places to gain experience while enjoying everything the region has to offer.



# Where we are

The timings are estimates for travel from the Tauranga campus.

The map shows the Tauranga region with several key locations marked by callouts:

- Mauao/Mount Maunganui**: 14 min drive
- Adams Centre for High Performance**: 10 min drive
- Tauranga Campus**: (Central location, marked with a red pin)
- Haumarū Sports & Recreation Centre**: 4 min drive
- Pāpāmoa Beach**: 18 min drive
- Pāpāmoa Hills**: 20 min drive

Other geographical features and areas labeled on the map include: Tauranga Entrance, Cutter Channel, Stella Passage, MAUNU, OMANU, ARATAKI, TE MAUNGA, MANGATAWA, KAIRUA, PĀPAMOĀ, WAITAO, KAIATE FALLS, OHĀUITI, MAUNGATAPU, WAIPU BAY, and the Iohunga o Rangatoua.

Two inset images are included:

- Pāpāmoa Beach**: A photograph showing a person walking on a beach with a surfboard, silhouetted against a sunset over the ocean.
- Haumarū Sports & Recreation Centre**: An aerial photograph of a large sports complex with multiple buildings and a parking lot.

*Credit: Tauranga City Council*



# Tauranga Student Support Services

The Tauranga campus offers a distinctively personalised study experience, ideal for students who value close connections, specialist support, and a genuine sense of belonging. From your first day on campus, you'll experience the benefits of a smaller, more intimate learning environment where it is easy to contribute, ask questions and build meaningful relationships.

Compact class sizes encourage real engagement and create opportunities to work closely with peers and teaching staff. Our lecturers are highly knowledgeable, well-connected and respected in their fields, and the scale of the campus means you have more opportunities for one-on-one support. Staff get to know you by name and are committed to helping you develop your strengths, extend your learning and help plan your future.

Students also have access to a wide range of services that support wellbeing, learning and inclusion. These include Student Health Services, Accessibility Services, Sport and Wellbeing, Te Toka Māori Student Support and Pacific Student

Support. Each service is designed to ensure you feel welcomed, supported, and equipped to succeed throughout your studies.

The Waikato Students' Union (WSU) also provides independent support and advocacy, ensuring students feel represented and confident navigating university life.

Together, these services create a friendly, community-focused campus where every student feels known, supported and connected. Tauranga offers a learning experience built around personalised support, strong relationships, and clear pathways towards your goals.



# Accommodation

## Selwyn Street Studios

Close to both the campus and the beach, Selwyn Street Studios offer modern, self-catered living fully furnished studio rooms. Each studio includes an ensuite bathroom, mini fridge and free WiFi. Every floor has a shared kitchenette and social space with great views over Waikareao Estuary. On the basement level there's a communal kitchen, dining room and free laundry facilities. A free weekly supermarket shuttle is available and three studios are designed for students with accessibility needs. With staff on duty every day and one Residential Leader (RL) to every 23 residents, support and guidance are always close by.

## Durham Mews Apartments

Located right next to the campus, Durham Mews offers six three-bedroom flats, each with a shared kitchen, living room, bathroom and laundry. It is a great option for students who enjoy a more communal flatting-style environment while still being close to all campus facilities.

## Looking ahead

Planning is underway for additional purpose-built student accommodation in the city centre. This future development will provide more housing options close to campus and strengthen the growing student community in Tauranga.

## Tauranga self-catered accommodation costs

	Number of rooms	Annual cost*	Weekly cost*
Selwyn Street Studios	91	\$12,691	\$343
Durham Mews Apartments	18	\$10,952	\$296

*\*All figures quoted are subject to change year to year.*

Visit [waikato.ac.nz/accommodation](http://waikato.ac.nz/accommodation) for the latest pricing and to apply.  
To request more information, email [selwynstreetstudios@waikato.ac.nz](mailto:selwynstreetstudios@waikato.ac.nz)



# Transport

Getting around Tauranga is simple and affordable, with several transport options that make it easy to travel to and from campus.

Tauranga City Council parking is free in the evenings after 5pm and on weekends.



## Local buses

Tauranga has an extensive network of bus routes that connect the campus with key areas across the city. Students can access discounted fares by using a Bee Card and registering the tertiary concession, making public transport an affordable everyday option.

## Kaimai Shuttle

A free shuttle service operates between the Tauranga and Hamilton campuses for students who need to travel for classes, research supervision, or other study-related commitments. For some programmes, this flexibility may allow you to take papers offered at the Hamilton campus while still based in Tauranga. The shuttle runs four times a day Monday to Friday during teaching weeks in A and B trimesters, with a reduced service during the teaching periods of C, G, and H.

For more information on transport to campus, visit [waikato.ac.nz/transport](http://waikato.ac.nz/transport)

## Cycling to campus

Cycling is a popular way to get around the city. The campus has bike racks throughout, along with secure swipe card storage for bikes and scooters. Showers, lockers, kitchen facilities, a café, and plenty of spaces to study or relax mean students can stay on campus all day before cycling or catching the bus home.



# Discover our cultural narrative

Our campus has a rich cultural narrative built into its very frame and woven through its fabric, expressed in a series of connected installations and artworks.

Designed to reflect our shared cultural identity and heritage, the narrative embraces the diversity of our campus community and celebrates our relationships across Tauranga Moana, Bay of Plenty and beyond.

A cultural narrative audio tour, developed by our computer science students, now brings these stories to life. By scanning the QR code beside each artwork, you can unlock the voices and histories that shape our campus.



Come and experience our artworks in person. We'd love to welcome you and share the stories that make our campus unique.

Tauranga Cultural Tour



# Work-integrated learning

Work-integrated learning (WIL) is embedded into every undergraduate degree at the University of Waikato. It provides a link between your academic studies and the application of that learning in the workplace.

During your degree you will undertake a physical placement or work-related project linked to an external organisation. You will tackle real tasks, contribute to meaningful projects and see how your skills translate to the professional world. It's your chance to test-drive industries, discover what you enjoy and build confidence in what you can do. Along the way you'll grow your CV, develop your profile and explore potential post-graduation pathways.

WIL is one of the ways we prepare you for success through the practical application of your academic learning and building meaningful connections. This allows you to walk away with valuable experience, expanded networks and future employment opportunities.



## Kahlia Cullwick Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) – Mechanical Engineering

*As part of her engineering degree at the University of Waikato, Kahlia Cullwick completed a work-integrated learning placement with agri-tech company Robotics Plus. Over the summer, she joined their research and development team to design and build a testing rig for an autonomous spraying machine used in orchards and vineyards.*

*"I spent about seven weeks designing, researching, and constructing a testing rig," Kahlia says. "It was amazing to take something from concept through to a working prototype. Being in industry gives you so much more than you can get in the classroom."*

*She says the placement helped bring her studies to life. "Seeing how concepts like vibrations analysis are actually used on machines to solve problems really gives you context and makes the academic side feel more relevant," she says. "It also confirmed that design and development is where I want to be."*

*For Kahlia, the supportive environment made a big difference. "I felt listened to, respected, and part of the team the whole time," she says. "It gave me a lot of confidence about my future."*

*The experience opened up new opportunities too. Kahlia has since returned to Robotics Plus on a casual, part-time basis while completing her final year of study. "It grounded my studies in the real world and opened my eyes to what my career could look like," she says.*

# Scholarships

Our scholarships celebrate academic ability, leadership promise, community spirit, sporting skills, and creative and performing arts talent. Reflecting the diversity of our student community, we provide support for students from all backgrounds. Scholarships may help with fees or accommodation, or be paid directly to students.

Scholarship	Value
Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship	Up to <b>\$30,000</b> over three years (accommodation or tuition fees, plus cash)
Te Paewai o te Rangi: Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Achievement	Up to <b>\$30,000</b> over three years (accommodation or tuition fees, plus cash)
Te Ara Whānui Scholarship	Up to <b>\$20,000</b> over three years (accommodation or tuition fees, plus cash)
Pacific Excellence Scholarship	Up to <b>\$20,000</b> over three years (accommodation or tuition fees, plus cash)
University of Waikato Re-Vision Scholarship (Tauranga Campus)	Up to <b>\$7,000</b> for students aged 21+ (tuition fees)
Edna Money Future Pacific Leaders' School Leaver Scholarship	<b>\$6,000</b> a year for up to three years
'Ko Te Tangata' School Leaver Scholarship	Between <b>\$5,000</b> and <b>\$7,000</b> (accommodation or tuition fees)
Tauranga Campus Residential Scholarship	Up to <b>\$8,000</b> (accommodation fees)
TECT Tauranga Campus First-in-Family Scholarship	<b>\$2,500</b> (cash)

## Most entrance scholarship applications close 31 August.

Visit [waikato.ac.nz/scholarships](http://waikato.ac.nz/scholarships) for the most up-to-date information about what you're eligible to apply for, how to apply, closing dates and more.

The Acorn Foundation also administers a range of scholarships available to Tauranga students. For more information, visit [acornfoundation.org.nz](http://acornfoundation.org.nz)

# Choose your degree

You can start or complete a wide range of undergraduate degrees and diplomas at our Tauranga campus. If the subject or major you're interested in isn't included in this booklet, dual learning options are available – either online or by traveling to Hamilton one or two days a week using the free Kaimai shuttle. To find out what this could look like for you, contact our student advisors at [uwt@waikato.ac.nz](mailto:uwt@waikato.ac.nz)

Visit [waikato.ac.nz/qualifications](http://waikato.ac.nz/qualifications) for more information about our degrees.

- Bachelor of Applied Computing BAppComp
- Bachelor of Arts BA
- Bachelor of Business BBus
- Bachelor of Computer Science BCompSc\*
- Bachelor of Engineering with Honours BE(Hons)\*
- Bachelor of Laws LLB
- Bachelor of Science BSc
- Bachelor of Science (Technology) BSc(Tech)
- Bachelor of Social Sciences BSocSc
- Bachelor of Sport and Human Performance BSHP
- Bachelor of Teaching BTchg
- Diploma in Te Tohu Paetahi TTP

*\*Part of the degree will have to be completed at the Hamilton campus.*



# Unique to Tauranga

## Marine Science

Our Tauranga campus is perfectly placed for students who want to explore life on or in the water with our Marine Science major in a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Technology). We recommend students combine a Marine Science major with an Aquaculture or Environmental Sciences minor.

Exclusive to Tauranga, Marine Science can be taken as a major or minor subject, or you may opt for a double major to enhance your career pathway opportunities.

Close to growing marine-based industries, coastal communities and New Zealand's busiest port, our Tauranga campus boasts a modern learning environment and state-of-the-art aquatic and chemistry laboratories, just minutes from Tauranga Harbour.



# Marine Science

This exciting subject covers the science of marine systems, including ecology, physical processes, ecosystem restoration and conservation.

Graduates will be prepared for roles in marine and coastal management, and the sustainable development of new and emerging marine industries, with a strong awareness of the interplay between science and mātauranga Māori. Plus, if you are interested in marine birds, sharks and whales, this is the subject for you. Marine Science can also be studied in the Graduate Certificate in Science and Graduate Diploma in Science.

## Recommended Minors

### Aquaculture

Learn to identify opportunities, issues and solutions relevant to the aquaculture industry and the 'Blue Economy', including the need to create diverse aquaculture projects that are both sustainable and profitable. Study Aquaculture to understand and apply your knowledge of marine ecology, marine biosecurity and legislation relating to sustainable aquaculture of fish, invertebrates and algae.

### Environmental Sciences

Environmental Sciences is about understanding and managing human impacts on our land, biodiversity, freshwater, oceans, atmosphere and climate, while providing the food, water, energy and mineral resources critical to our survival. At Waikato, we take a strong interdisciplinary approach, so you will gain skills in applying the biological, chemical and earth sciences to understand and manage the impacts of human activities on the environment.



#### Malachi Gerrard

Bachelor of Science, double major in Aquaculture and Marine Science

Iwi: Te Whānau-ā-Apanui, Te Whakatōhea and Ngāti Porou

*The University of Waikato was Malachi Gerrard's first choice to study Marine Science and further her interest in aquaculture and mātauranga Māori.*

*"One of my highlights is getting out of the classroom and being hands-on with marine life at the Coastal Marine Field Station, where I'm learning valuable skills and conducting research that*

*really makes a difference.*

*"For me, it's about connecting my passion for the moana and kaitiakitanga – protecting our oceans through science and te ao Māori.*

*"I love to skate, surf and run – I'm in the perfect place, close to Mauao and the moana. I'm all about the island life!"*

# Applied Computing

Exclusive to our Tauranga campus, the Bachelor of Applied Computing was developed in collaboration with the local ICT sector to ensure graduates gain practical, industry-ready skills.

You'll learn core software engineering techniques and apply them across mobile, web, IoT, and robotics platforms. Through industry collaborations and hands-on projects, you'll put your knowledge into real-world practice, building the technical, critical-thinking and problem-solving abilities needed to make an immediate impact in the workforce.

## Industry connections

Work-integrated learning is embedded throughout the Bachelor of Applied Computing. In your final year, the COMPX398 work placement paper gives you the chance to apply your skills in a professional environment and gain insight into the day-to-day realities of working in tech.

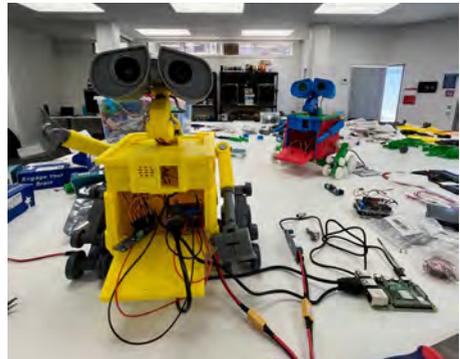
Students have previously completed placements with Tauranga organisations including:

- Datacom
- Robotics Plus
- Cucumber
- Landkind

You'll also benefit from guest lectures across our industry-focused papers, where professionals bring real-world knowledge into academic concepts and share insights into current practice and emerging trends.

Recent guest speakers have come from Tauranga City Council, Femmi, Swiped On, LawVu, BlueLab, Priority One, Hamilton City Council, Datacom, Beca, Syos Aerospace, and Mercury.

	Major	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Applied Computing BAppComp</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/bappcomp">waikato.ac.nz/bappcomp</a>	Applied Computing	3 years



# Arts

Arts disciplines are united in their focus on the value of the arts, how they enrich our lives and the civilising role of culture.

Studying the arts prepares our graduates to contribute to the wider and measurable impacts the arts have on our economy, health and wellbeing, society and education.

Waikato graduates are in demand for their flexible skills, practical outlook and the depth of understanding they bring to their roles. They operate as critical thinkers, capable of generating innovative ideas and responding intelligently to problems, issues or obstacles in work and life.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Arts BA</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/ba">waikato.ac.nz/ba</a>	Education and Society	3 years
	Geography	
	Human Development	
	Law	
	Māori and Indigenous Studies*	
	Māori Language/Te Reo Māori**	
	Political Science	
	Psychology	
Sociology		

\* The Māori and Indigenous Studies major for Tauranga is largely online through dual papers.

\*\* The Māori Language/Te Reo Māori major can only be taken in Tauranga via Te Tohu Paetahi.

There are additional majors not listed here that are available via dual learning – online or by travelling between campuses on the free Kaimai Shuttle. Reach out to learn more: [uwt@waikato.ac.nz](mailto:uwt@waikato.ac.nz)



# Business

Build real-world business skills with Waikato's Bachelor of Business in Tauranga and get ready for a dynamic career where you can lead, innovate and drive success.

This well-respected degree opens doors to a wide range of jobs and industries. You'll gain the expertise to help businesses, government and not-for-profits thrive and become more agile and forward-thinking.

Shape your studies around your career interests with a choice of major and minor subjects. Be immersed in hands-on learning that goes beyond the classroom – from team consulting projects for Kiwi businesses to a workplace internship that builds practical experience and confidence.

You'll learn from expert lecturers who bring real industry insight into the classroom, and graduate from a business school ranked in the world's top 1%. Bring everything together in your final year with the BBUS capstone paper and the legendary Waikato Management School Case Competition.

If becoming a Chartered Accountant is your goal, you can choose our fast-track Professional Accounting study pathway, certified by CAANZ, CPA Australia, CIMA and ACCA.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Business BBUS</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/bbus">waikato.ac.nz/bbus</a>	Accounting	3 years
	Finance	
	Marketing	
	Strategic Management	

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## Ethan Dryden Bachelor of Business – Marketing, Strategic Management

*As a keen surfer who loves the beach, Ethan chose to study in Tauranga – he was attracted by the Management School's top 1% global ranking.*

*"I felt like I had struck gold with the University of Waikato," says Ethan.*

*"The Tauranga campus is fantastic, and it's right in the heart of the city close to some great food spots. I found it really easy to make new friends and get to know my lecturers."*

*Ethan was keen to learn all aspects of running a business and gain a wide range of transferable skills.*

*"The Bachelor of Business gave me that, along with first-rate lecturers who also work as industry consultants, so I could trust their teaching was relevant and up-to-date.*

*"This degree is world-class; it definitely lived up to my expectations."*

# Computer Science

Learn from some of the world's sharpest minds and work alongside computer science experts who are leading cutting-edge research, bringing theory into practice.

We are globally recognised for our computer science expertise, excelling in machine learning, software engineering, human-computer interaction, IoT, and cybersecurity.

We are the first university in New Zealand to have our computer science programmes accredited by the Australian Computer Society (ACS) on behalf of the accreditation body, the Seoul Accord. This ensures the qualification meets industry-recognised standards, enhancing your employability and global recognition.

For graduates, it provides a pathway to ACS membership and boosts international career prospects.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Applied Computing BAppComp</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/bappcomp">waikato.ac.nz/bappcomp</a>	Applied Computing	3 years
<b>Bachelor of Computer Science BCompSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BCompSc">waikato.ac.nz/BCompSc</a>	Computer Science*	3 years
<b>Bachelor of Science BSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BSc">waikato.ac.nz/BSc</a>	Computer Science	3 years
<b>Bachelor of Engineering with Honours BE(Hons)</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BEHons">waikato.ac.nz/BEHons</a>	Software Engineering**	4 years

\*Years 1 and 2 can be completed in Tauranga. Year 3 must be completed in Hamilton.

\*\*Years 1 and 4 can be completed in Tauranga. Years 2 and 3 must be completed in Hamilton.



## Wikus Van Pairen Bachelor of Science (Computer Science)

*The Tauranga campus and the University's strong academic reputation made enrolling at Waikato an easy choice.*

*"It made it easy to stay local while completing my course, and I was confident that the qualification I'd earn would be valuable and recognised."*

*Wikus says he appreciated the atmosphere at the Tauranga campus.*

*"It's intimate and easy to connect with people here. Everything's in one building, so it never feels overwhelming. It's a really nice space too – there are spaces where you can focus but still feel part of a community and connect with people."*

*His advice to future students? "Go for it. Waikato is a great place to start. You'll be supported, you'll grow, and you'll make connections that matter."*

# Education

Inspire the next generation of learners with our Initial Teacher Education programmes (ITE).

Through our partnerships with schools and early childhood centres, our students are in schools and centres through the entirety of their programmes.

The programmes have flexible delivery so you can enrol at the Tauranga campus or for block/distance online study.\*

If you already have a bachelor's degree in another field and want to start a new career as a secondary school teacher, you can study for a one-year Graduate Diploma in Teaching, Postgraduate Diploma in Teaching or Master of Teaching and Learning.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Teaching</b> BTchg <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/teaching">waikato.ac.nz/teaching</a>	Early Childhood* Teaching (Primary)*	3 years
<b>Te Ara Poutama Toitū Te Reo</b> (TTR) <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/TTR">waikato.ac.nz/TTR</a>	Kōhungahunga / Kura Tuatahi	3-4 years
<b>Graduate Diploma in Teaching</b> GradDipTchg <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/GradDipTchg">waikato.ac.nz/GradDipTchg</a>	Early Childhood* Primary* Secondary*	1 year
<b>Postgraduate Diploma in Teaching</b> PGDipTchg <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/PGDipTchg">waikato.ac.nz/PGDipTchg</a>	Early Childhood* Primary* Secondary*	1 year
<b>Master of Teaching and Learning</b> MTchgLn <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/MTchgLn">waikato.ac.nz/MTchgLn</a>	Early Childhood* Primary* Secondary*	1 year

\*Can be studied in-person at Tauranga campus or online. All teacher education online qualifications have a compulsory on-campus block twice a year. All teacher education programmes require students to be in New Zealand.

# Engineering

Now, more than ever, the world needs more creative engineers who can take what they know and put that into practice. At Waikato, that's what we do best.

For a number of the engineering majors, students can study the first year of their engineering degree in Tauranga and move to Hamilton for years 2 and 3, with the option of returning to Tauranga in year 4. A state-of-the-art engineering laboratory and additive manufacturing workshop, situated next to the campus, contains specialist equipment that allows for collaborative learning and research between our students and academic staff.

The Bachelor of Engineering with Honours (all eight programmes) are accredited by Engineering New Zealand and professionally recognised in 18 countries, including Australia, the UK and the USA, giving graduates an internationally recognised qualification.

Software Engineering holds dual accreditation from two independent international bodies: Engineering New Zealand (on behalf of the Washington Accord) and the Australian Computer Society (on behalf of the Seoul Accord).

	Specified Programme	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Engineering with Honours BE(Hons)</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BEHons">waikato.ac.nz/BEHons</a>	Civil Engineering*	4 years
	Electrical and Electronic Engineering*	
	Mechanical Engineering*	
	Mechatronics Engineering*	
	Software Engineering*	

*\*Available in Tauranga for Years 1 and 4 only. Years 2 and 3 must be completed in Hamilton.*



# Law

Te Piringa Faculty of Law is founded on the core principles of professionalism, biculturalism, and the study of law in context.

Studying law at Waikato ensures that students are firmly grounded in the core legal subjects (together with company law, dispute resolution, and tikanga Māori) that provide the building blocks for thinking like a lawyer.

All four years of the Bachelor of Laws can be studied in Tauranga. The classes are small and are typically offered in seminar-style discussions, with some lectures presented via video conference from Hamilton. Students can also opt to finish their studies after two years and gain a Diploma in Law (DipLaw).

	Major	Duration
Bachelor of Laws LLB <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/LLB">waikato.ac.nz/LLB</a>	Law	4 years



# Psychology

Psychology is one of the most important and critical topics in modern society, and the most versatile subject at Waikato.

We ensure psychology is scientific and accountable, producing world-leading research in a friendly and welcoming environment.

Psychology can also be mixed and matched with other interests to create a bespoke degree to target specific interests, with minors possible in the areas of the Arts, Science and Social Sciences. If you are considering majoring in another subject area, minors in Psychology, Forensic Psychology, or Kaupapa Māori Psychology are also possible.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Arts BA</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BA">waikato.ac.nz/BA</a>	Psychology	3 years
<b>Bachelor of Science BSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BSc">waikato.ac.nz/BSc</a>	Psychology	3 years
<b>Bachelor of Social Sciences BSocSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BSocSc">waikato.ac.nz/BSocSc</a>	Psychology	3 years

*There are additional majors not listed here that are available via dual learning – online or by travelling between campuses on the free Kaimai Shuttle. Reach out to learn more: [uwt@waikato.ac.nz](mailto:uwt@waikato.ac.nz)*



## Molly Crawford Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology

*A lover of salt and sand, fitness and wellbeing, Molly Crawford's newfound desire to help others is what drew her back home.*

*Already holding a personal training qualification, Molly enrolled at the University of Waikato's Tauranga campus, cross crediting her previous degree into a Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honours), majoring in Psychology.*

*"The lecturers at the Tauranga campus made a huge difference. Having staff*

*who worked directly in the field and took the time to answer questions and genuinely get to know students made the learning experience incredibly engaging.*

*"The campus has everything you need; its smaller size makes services easy to access and more personal.*

*"Get involved – join clubs to meet people, apply to be a tutor to strengthen your skills, reach out to your lecturers for guidance, and don't forget to apply for scholarships."*

# Science

Get hands-on experience in the Bay of Plenty region's unique 'living lab' and enjoy a personalised learning experience solving real-life challenges.

If you're intrigued by the natural world or enjoy seeing how things work, the Bachelor of Science (BSc) or Bachelor of Science (Technology) (BSc(Tech)) are what you're looking for.

The BSc can be studied through the School of Science or School of Computing and Mathematical Sciences, depending on your interests. Our flagship Marine Science major is offered only in Tauranga with a BSc or BSc(Tech).

Most papers include weekly labs and regular field trips. The BSc(Tech) degree also includes 10 weeks of work placement.

Broaden your knowledge base with a Science minor. Aquaculture and Environmental Science are available at the Tauranga campus as minor subjects and are highly recommended for students interested in Marine Science.

	<b>Majors</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<b>Bachelor of Science BSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BSc">waikato.ac.nz/BSc</a>	Computer Science	3 years
	Marine Science	
	Psychology	
<b>Bachelor of Science (Technology) BSc(Tech)</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BScTech">waikato.ac.nz/BScTech</a>	Marine Science	3 years

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# Social Sciences

The social sciences provide you with the tools to add value to society and to confront the more challenging topics of the modern world.

Our programmes of study in the social sciences equip students with critical thinking skills, offer an insight and understanding into how societies work, and provide students with flexible career options in jobs that make a difference. Our curriculum covers subjects that will enable you to think critically about how individuals and groups in society relate to each other.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Social Sciences BSocSc</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/BSocSc">waikato.ac.nz/BSocSc</a>	Education and Society	3 years
	Geography	
	Human Development	
	Law	
	Māori and Indigenous Studies*	
	Political Science	
	Psychology	
	Sociology	

\* The Māori and Indigenous Studies major for Tauranga is delivered largely online through dual papers.



# Sport & Human Performance

The sport and leisure sector is one of New Zealand's fastest growing industries and provides exciting career opportunities.

Study a Bachelor of Sport and Human Performance (BSHP) in Tauranga and choose to specialise in Healthy Active Living, Human Performance Science or Sport Development and Coaching. The BSHP is co-taught with Toi Ohomai. Students benefit from access to Toi Ohomai's aquatic and fitness centre along with the cutting-edge facilities at our campus.

Opportunities abound for summer research placements and postgraduate study at the Adams Centre for High Performance Sport in Mount Maunganui.

	Majors	Duration
<b>Bachelor of Sport and Human Performance BSHP</b> <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/bshp">waikato.ac.nz/bshp</a>	Healthy Active Living	3 years
	Human Performance Science	
	Sport Development and Coaching	



# Diploma in Te Tohu Paetahi

The first intensive te reo Māori programme of its kind, Te Tohu Paetahi (TTP) has paved the way for the revitalisation of te reo Māori for more than 30 years.

The focus of this programme is to provide you with a unique Māori language immersion pathway. Our goal is to produce students who can fluently and competently speak te reo Māori, no matter their starting level of fluency.

The workload in Te Tohu Paetahi is intensive and students attend classes daily, 9am–3pm, Monday to Friday. This learning environment is unique in a university setting and fosters whanaungatanga and life-long friendships and networks. Part of the curriculum may include noho marae (marae stays), hākinakina (sports), and ngā mahi a te rēhia (recreational activities).

You can attain a Diploma in Te Tohu Paetahi or credit the programme towards the first year of a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Social Sciences with a Te Reo Māori major, or use Te Reo Māori as a second major in most University of Waikato qualifications.

	Subject	Duration
Diploma in Te Tohu Paetahi TTP <a href="http://waikato.ac.nz/TTP">waikato.ac.nz/TTP</a>	Te Reo Māori	1 year (full time)



## Keimārire Tibble-Brown Diploma in Te Tohu Paetahi

**Iwi:** Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Pūkenga ki Manaia, Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Ngāti Porou

*Keimārire Tibble-Brown spent a year studying te reo Māori in Tauranga.*

*Having strengthened her sense of identity by reclaiming the language of her tīpuna, she's now working in the health sector to improve health outcomes for Māori.*

*Her decision to study te reo in a place she descends from was both personal and purposeful. The course, held five days a week, offered a highly immersive environment that created a strong sense of whānau among students. Keimārire found the experience challenging but transformative, especially activities*

*like te reo Māori debates that built confidence and fluency.*

*Beyond language learning, the programme was a space for self-discovery and healing. "Because so many of us were reclaiming a language that had been lost through generations, there was a lot of emotional work involved too. It wasn't just about learning a language, it was about learning who we are."*

*Now working as an advisor at the Ministry of Health, Keimārire sees her reo journey as part of a broader mission to address health inequities for Māori.*



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