



Waipapa
Taumata Rau
**University
of Auckland**

Waseda University Study Abroad 2026 - 2027

**Waseda Customised Study Programmes -
Language Focused Programmes for a semester
programme (CS-L(1Y))
at University of Auckland's English Language
Academy**

**English + Faculty of Business and Economics or
Faculty of Arts
September 2026 – June 2027**

Aotearoa New Zealand

Aotearoa New Zealand is a modern, English-speaking country with a rich culture, known internationally for its beautiful natural landscapes and the culture of its native Māori People.

Located in the South Pacific Ocean about 2,200km east of Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand has two islands - the North Island and the South Island. Similar in size and shape to the United Kingdom or Japan, New Zealand has a relatively small population of around 5 million people, making it one of the least crowded countries in the world.

Largest City:

Auckland (population 1.70 million)

Auckland is New Zealand's most multicultural region, with people of European, Asian, Pacific and Māori descent.

Capital:

Wellington

Climate:

Aotearoa New Zealand has four seasons, but extremes of temperature are unusual. Temperatures in Auckland range from an average of 20°C in summer (December to March) to 11°C in winter (June to August).



Auckland



Auckland is New Zealand's largest city, known for its stunning harbours, vibrant multicultural atmosphere, and beautiful blend of urban life and natural landscapes.

ELA is located in a modern building on the University of Auckland's City Campus, in the centre of Auckland city. Auckland's location next to two harbours means you can enjoy living in a large, cosmopolitan city, but still be close to beautiful beaches, nature walks and peaceful islands. You can go kayaking on the harbour in the morning and hike through green forests in the afternoon. Auckland boasts a variety of great cafes, restaurants and bars, excellent theatres, galleries and museums, great shopping and colourful Pacific and Asian cultural influences.





The University of Auckland

Ranked among the world's top 100 universities¹, the University of Auckland offers you the opportunity to gain an internationally recognised qualification at New Zealand's leading university.

Range of programmes

The University offers 160 programmes from bachelor's level to PhD, including both research and course-work based Masters programmes, and short-term Study Abroad programmes.

Employment prospects

With a reputation for being open minded, real-world thinkers, University of Auckland graduates are highly regarded by employers around the world.²

Quick facts

- Established: 1883
- Ranking: 65th in the world (QS2026)
- Students: approximately 40,000
- International Students: 7,000

Faculties:

- Arts (Humanities and Social Sciences)
- Business
- Creative Arts and Industries
- Education and Social Work
- Engineering
- Law
- Medical and Health Sciences
- Science

¹QS World University Rankings 2026

²QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2025

Welcome to ELA



The University of Auckland's English Language Academy (ELA) is located on the university's city campus in Auckland. ELA provides a wide range of high-quality English language courses for international students. Courses include direct-entry pathway programmes for students who are interested in pursuing undergraduate and postgraduate degrees at University of Auckland, as well as specialist English language teacher training courses and general English courses. ELA is an accredited IELTS and PTE Academic test centre, as well as a Cambridge TKT and CELTA training centre. ELA has agreed to observe and be bound by the New Zealand Government's Code of Practice for the Care of International Students.



Paul O'Farrell
Director of ELA

For more than two decades, the University of Auckland's English Language Academy (ELA) has been privileged to share a close and enduring partnership with Waseda University. Over the years, we've had the pleasure of welcoming nearly 300 Waseda students to Aotearoa New Zealand.

During their time with us, students not only strengthen their English language skills and grow in confidence, but also immerse themselves in the rich culture and stunning natural landscapes of Aotearoa. Many form lifelong friendships and return home with treasured memories and fresh perspectives.

We deeply value our relationship with Waseda University. This collaboration is a testament to our shared dedication to academic excellence, cross-cultural understanding, and the wellbeing of our students. At the University of Auckland, we take pride in offering a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment where students can truly thrive.

Whether you are a student, a parent, or a member of the university community, we warmly invite you to explore this unique and rewarding opportunity.



Programme Overview & Essential information

The Customised Study Programme at the University of Auckland helps students improve their English skills and broaden their understanding of Language, Arts, and International Business.

Students begin with a 17-week Foundation Certificate in English for Academic Purposes at the English Language Academy (ELA), followed by a break to explore New Zealand and participate in the University's International Student Orientation. Waseda University students then study for one semester at the University of Auckland, enrolling in up to four full-time courses (60 points) from the Faculty of Business and Economics and/or the Faculty of Arts.

Entry Requirements:

Language requirements:

For entry into the English Language Academy (FCertEAP), students must meet the following TOEFL or IELTS score requirements at the time of application:

An overall score of 60 in the TOEFL iBT with the Writing score of no less than 18 and the other band scores of no less than 12

OR

An overall score of 5.0 in the IELTS academic with the writing score of no less than 5.0 and the other band scores of no less than 4.5.

Academic requirements:

Student must have completed at least one full-time year at Waseda University and have a better-than-average academic record (equivalent to a B average at the University of Auckland.)

- ❖ Nationality limitations (if any): N/A
- ❖ No Graduate (Master & Doctor) students

For Entry into The University of Auckland (Student Abroad programme - COP):

- Successful completion of FCertEAP
- Have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent.

Students who did not meet the above requirements cannot advance to The University of Auckland (COP) in the second semester and must take another FCertEAP at ELA.

(A student visa application fee will be required due to the necessary visa change)

Programme Dates:

Dates	Programme
07 September 2026 – 15 January 2027	Foundation Certificate in English for Academic Purposes (FCertEAP-17weeks) at English Language Academy (ELA)
22 - 26 February 2026	Orientation Week for International Students ¹
1 March 2027 – 28 June 2027	Semester One of study at the University of Auckland (Faculty of Business and Economics or Faculty of Arts)

¹ Students should be present for the Orientation week 22 - 26 February 2027.

The ELA's last day of teaching is 18 December 2026. The ELA reopens on 5 January 2027

Costs:

Estimated costs: NZD35,424*

Includes:

Tuition fee of a full academic year, Registration fee and Resources fees

Homestay Accommodation placement fee

4 weeks of Homestay accommodation fee

One-way airport transfer service fee

Insurance

Estimated Room & Board:

Homestay (includes 2 meals a day during the week and 3 meals at the weekend): NZD 1,624 per month*

Halls of Residence: NZD 2000 per month without meals*

*Please note that the above fees for 2026/2027 are subject to change.

Academic English Study at ELA

ELA's undergraduate pathway programmes are designed to prepare you for your university studies through English. This is direct entry programmes. This means that when you successfully complete this with the required grade, you will meet the English language requirements for entry to the University of Auckland.

Students will complete the Foundation Certificate in English for Academic Purposes (FCertEAP) over 17 weeks. This pathway programme will build on their current level of academic English and be well prepared for their undergraduate studies. They will be in small classes with other students who will be going on to study at The University of Auckland.

The FCertEAP programme covers the following:

Writing: academic styles, essay structures, paragraph writing, introductions and conclusions, cohesive devices, summary writing, editing, writing reports, academic conventions, and academic genres.

Listening and Reading: speed reading strategies, patterns of organisation, making local and global inferences, note taking, strategies to cope with unknown vocabulary, summarising main ideas, listening for stressed words and phrases, and synthesising.

Vocabulary/Language: academic vocabulary, prefixes and suffixes, review of grammatical tenses, focus on correct spelling, focus on grammatical accuracy, and variation in sentence patterns.

Speaking and Research: formal oral presentations, use of PowerPoint, referencing, and research strategies.

- Class type: Integrated
- Course length: 17 week
- Class hours: Total 400 hours (20 hours per week); Plus optional workshops available and self-study(2-3 hours every day)



FcertEAP Class timetable

Morning Session: 8.15 – 10.15am & 10.30 – 12.30pm (20 hours) OR
Afternoon Session: 1 – 3pm & 3.15 – 5.15pm (20 hours).

All students receive 20 hours of tuition per week for both General English and Academic English courses, which is made up of two hours of core classes and two hours of elective classes per day (Total 4 hour daily).

Students will be placed in either the Morning Session or Afternoon Session depending on their level of English. Please note some students in the group may have classes in the morning and some students may be in the afternoon, and session placement is subject to change based on study courses and academic block schedules.

Students will receive their General English class timetable on their first day at ELA, and they will receive their Academic English class timetable prior to begins the Academic English course.

Sample timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Session 8:15-12:30				
Class 1 8:15-10:15				
Class 2 10:30-12:30				
Afternoon Session 13:00-17:15				
Class 1 13:00-15:00				
Class 2 15:15-17:15				



Customised Study Programme at the University of Auckland

Waseda University students will spend one semester studying at the University of Auckland upon meeting the entry requirements. As New Zealand's leading institution, the University of Auckland offers a unique academic environment for students interested in international business, arts, and related fields.

New Zealand is an excellent place to study international business given the dependence of its economy on international trade and investment. New Zealand's exports are renowned in markets such as Japan's while foreign investment and inbound tourism play a major role in the New Zealand economy.

Policymakers and academics, Japanese included, give much attention to the 'New Zealand model'. Study at the University of Auckland also offers Waseda University students a distinctive insight into Maori (Polynesian) culture and those of Europeans settled in a remarkable new environment.

International Student Orientation Programme

The Orientation will present Waseda University students with information about living and studying at The University of Auckland, offer advice on strategies for getting the most out of University studies and introduce students to the unique culture, beautiful landscape around Auckland City and also to other international students.

Credits at Waseda University

Students will generally undertake a standard full course load in The University of Auckland (four courses, 60 points total). Students must be mindful of student visa requirements and credit issues at Waseda University. The credit issues should be confirmed with the student's home faculty at Waseda University.



What you can study

Course information by Faculty

[Faculty of Arts](#) and [courses](#)

[Business School](#) and courses

- Economics ([Undergraduate](#))
- Accounting ([Undergraduate](#))
- Finance ([Undergraduate](#))
- Commercial Law ([Undergraduate](#))
- Business Analytics ([Undergraduate](#))
- Information Systems ([Undergraduate](#))
- Operations and Supply Chain Management ([Undergraduate](#))
- International Business ([Undergraduate](#))
- Management ([Undergraduate](#))
- Marketing ([Undergraduate](#))
- Property ([Undergraduate](#))

While 200- and 300-level courses are available, please note that these are more advanced. It's advisable to prioritise 100-level courses to ensure a manageable workload. (For example, ACADENG 104 is a 100-level course. EDUC 213 is a 200-level course)

Study abroad students (COPOS) can now directly enrol into most courses (some exceptions apply). However, student should apply for "concession" to enrol in courses that require Auckland faculty approval. In this process, faculties assess whether their prior study meets relevant course prerequisites and notify them accordingly. In some occasions, they may be asked to provide course outlines/syllabi in English for courses equivalent to Auckland prerequisite requirements.



Sample courses - Business

ACCTG151G	Financial Literacy
ECON 151	Understanding the Global Economy
ECON 152	Principles of Economics
MKTG 151	Essential Marketing
PROPERTY 102	Introduction to Property
STATS 100	Concepts in Statistics
STATS 101	Introduction to Statistics
INTBUS 201	Foundations of International Business
INTBUS 202	Foundations of Strategy
INTBUS 151G	Business across Borders
INFOSYS 110	Digital Systems
INNOVATE 100	Innovation through Design
BUSINESS 114	Accounting for Decision Making
BUSINESS 115	Economics, Markets and Law

Sample courses - Arts

ACADENG 100	Forms in Academic English
ACADENG 101	Academic English Writing
HISTORY 103	Global History
LINGUIST 100	Introduction to Linguistics
LANGTCHG 101	Introduction to Language Teaching
PACIFIC 100	Te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa / Pacific Worlds
MAORI 101	Introduction to Written Māori
MAORI 103	Introduction to Spoken Māori
PHIL 105	Critical Thinking
ASIAN 100	Images of Asia
COMMS 100	Communication, Technology and Culture
EUROPEAN 100	Europe and the World
PACIFIC 110	Pacific Embodied Practices
POLITICS 109	Foundations of Western Politics and Law
SOCIOL 100	Issues and Themes in Sociology
SOCIOL 105	Cultural Studies and Society

These lists are samples, and the courses are subject to availability.



Accommodation plan

Students going to the University of Auckland for the English and Study Abroad programme (COPOS) will typically be placed with an English Language Academy approved homestay for the first four weeks. This enables Waseda University students to live with New Zealand families, experience the 'Kiwi' lifestyle, and practice English in an everyday situation.

Then with the assistance of the English Language Academy staff, students may choose to move to alternative accommodation or continue in homestay. University Residence accommodation is available during one semester of study at the University of Auckland (subject to the availability of places). Advice can also be provided on renting accommodation for single or shared use.

ELA Homestay

Homestay accommodation is a great way to learn about Aotearoa New Zealand culture and to practise your English in a friendly and relaxed environment when the students are enrolled in ELA. Families are selected on the basis of providing such support and are experienced in caring for students from many different cultures. In a homestay you live with a family, have your own room, and 2 meals (breakfast & dinner) on weekdays and 3 meals on weekends are provided. Most homestays are within 70 minutes from the ELA by public transport (Bus fare \$4-7 per way).

The main criteria for homestay placements include:

- The family is English-speaking.
- The family is able to provide a well-furnished single room for the student.
- Dietary requirements of the student are taken into account.

NOTE:

Some of our families host more than one international student, including those from your country who may be from the same group. This allows the students the chance to share their home with another student, while ensuring each student has their own private room.

University Accommodation

Living in University Accommodation is a great way to immerse yourself in campus life as you adjust to a new environment.

Students are mostly placed in a single room at self-catering and mixed-gender accommodation unless they request special arrangement to the University of Auckland accommodation office.

- Living with Kiwis and other international students
- Located within easy walking distance of City Campus
- Utilities and free-to-air TV included in fees
- Free use of the University WiFi in each property
- Sport and Recreation Centre membership included in fees
- Residential activities and support



Waseda students will receive guidance regarding the schedule of submission of the University Residence applications once the course commence. Students are required to submit the application and will need to express their interest with their application form before the due date. They will be paid a deposit to secure a place at the time of accepting an accommodation offer from the University of Auckland Accommodation team.

Students can receive a full refund of accommodation deposit and placement fee for any accommodation withdrawal made due to an unsuccessful application for university admission. Students must email the Accommodation Solutions Team at accom@auckland.ac.nz with their full name and Student University of Auckland ID number, indicating that they wish to withdraw and the reason for their withdrawal. The University does not accept withdrawal applications over the telephone; they must be in writing from the person whose name is on the residential agreement. If students withdraw for any other reason, University of Auckland Accommodation withdrawing/changing policy will apply.

Note:

- (1) There will be a compulsory one-off charge of Residential Services Fee that must be paid prior to checking in. This fee covers year-round community engagement activities, access to the University Recreation Centre, and laundry facilities and must be paid for each new residential term.
- (2) The period of the university residential agreement is fixed. Students will be required to pay for the accommodation for the full period they have agreed to even if they arrive later than the start date or leave prior to the end date. All credit card and debit card payments will incur a 1.9% Convenience Fee. This will be added automatically when you make your payment.

Student life at ELA

ELA Facilities and Student Services

- Academic and pastoral support
- 24/7 hours emergency phone
- Homestay arrangement
- Airport transfer
- Study Centre
- Student Lounge
- Wi-Fi

Pastoral Care of Students

The University of Auckland English Language Academy has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students. Copies of the Code are available from the NZQA website at www.nzqa.govt.nz. A team of pastoral support staff are available to help and provide assistance for all students studying at the ELA.

Learning Support – ELA Study Centre

ELA's Study Centre offers various opportunities for students to improve their English skills. This is the central hub for students to access a range of interactive and engaging activities both inside and outside the school. Students can practice their English conversation with Meet2Chat sessions, led by University of Auckland volunteers twice a week. They can also attend workshops on a variety of topics such as employment skills, academic language skills, spoken communication skills. These are run three times a week by experienced facilitators and are adapted to suit the needs and goals of students.



ELA Extra Curriculum Activities

Our students can join a range of free activities including our most popular Meet2Chat! This is a special activity where students can have conversations with English speakers from the University of Auckland. Our students take part in quizzes, short presentations and have many other fun opportunities to practice speaking and listening. ELA students can also book one-on-one tutorials with our teachers and during the tutorials they can get tips and advice on how to develop their English skills.

ELA Social Activities and Special Events

Students can participate in a wide range of activities organised by the Student Services team. The activities are weather dependent and vary by time of year but can include the University of Auckland campus tour, Auckland art gallery, Auckland Memorial War museum, Auckland Domain Wintergarden, Mission Bay, Mt Eden walk, Devonport, One Tree Hill, movies and beach trips. Information is provided to students during the Orientation Programme and on the ELA social activities noticeboard. An additional cost applies to most activities.

To see some examples of our exciting student activities, check out our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/uoaela



Student life at University of Auckland

The University of Auckland's facilities and support

- Dedicated study abroad and international student support teams
- 24 hour emergency hot line
- Campus Security
- Libraries and Learning Services
- English language support
- University Health and Counselling service
- Student Disability Services
- University Recreation Centre
- Spiritual and religious support
- Support for LGBTQI+ students
- Auckland University Students Association

University Clubs, societies and associations:

There are more than 240 student clubs and sports teams on campus. Whatever you're into, there's a club for you. The Study Abroad Students' Society (also known as SASS) creates an inclusive community for returned, outgoing, and incoming study abroad students through fun events, trips and social mixers. To see information about all our clubs, visit: www.auckland.ac.nz/clubs

Sport and recreation:

The Sport and Recreation team at the University run sports programmes for the most social players to the intensely competitive. Here are some opportunities you can join while studying abroad. Also, check out the student-led sports clubs you can join.

- Waka Ama Race
- Sailing
- High performance rugby programme
- Tertiary sport
- Inter-faculty sport
- Fitness



Student Testimonial & Further information



Student Testimonials



Sumirena, Japan

"I think the research project at ELA has helped my semester study at the University of Auckland as it taught me how to write a discussion essay based on empirical research/evidence. I liked the teaching style at ELA as the classes were well-structured, and the signposts were clear enough to go along the pathway of the research journey. I have improved my skills in Academic English and research essay writing.

Auckland is diverse and inclusive, offering many opportunities and campus life is vibrant with weekly events and new connections."

Student Visa

Students enrolling in this programme must enter New Zealand with a valid visa that covers the entire duration of their studies. For detailed information, please visit the Immigration New Zealand website: www.immigration.govt.nz

Visa requirements may vary depending on individual circumstances and country of origin. Once you receive an Offer of Place and other necessary documents from the University of Auckland English Language Academy, it is essential to apply online for the appropriate visa ([Pathway Student visa](#)) as soon as possible.

Useful website

The University of Auckland general: www.auckland.ac.nz

English Language Academy: www.ela.auckland.ac.nz

Auckland International student: www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/international-students.html

New Zealand Tourism: www.newzealand.com

DISCOVER AUCKLAND: www.aucklandnz.com

HEART OF THE CITY AUCKLAND: <https://heartofthecity>



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