

For NZ Citizens and
Permanent Residents

**FEES
FREE**

Horticulture Skills

NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Skills [Level 2]

NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills [Level 3]

This conjoint programme of the NZ Certificate in Primary Industries Skills [Level 2] and the NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills [Level 3] provides entry level skills for those beginning a career in the primary industries with a focus on commercial fruit production.

During the length of this programme you will be involved in seasonal production tasks as they relate to the fruit production industry in Tairāwhiti. You will develop your knowledge and skill base which will help strengthen your practical application. As a graduate you will be able to undertake a range of seasonal activities.

When you complete the Level 3 programme you will have the skills to safely operate horticultural vehicles and work with different types of machinery and infrastructure.

Campus	EIT Tairāwhiti Rural Studies Unit (Stout St)
Starts	February
Length	24 weeks full-time
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Professional skills for primary industries

During the length of your studies you will complete the following approved NZQA qualifications:

- ▶ NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Skills [Level 2] 40 credits
- ▶ NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills [Level 3] 40 credits

In particular, the programme is designed to:

- ▶ Raise skill levels of horticultural staff.
- ▶ Provide stimulating collegial support for workers in horticulture.
- ▶ Provide a pathway for ongoing and further study in horticulture.

This qualification provides entry level skills for those beginning a career in the primary industries. It is an applied practical programme.

Subject Areas

Within fruit production you will learn:

- ▶ A range of seasonal activities.

You will also learn to operate and maintain a range of horticultural vehicles, machinery and infrastructure in a safe manner. This may include:

- ▶ Hydraladda
- ▶ Chainsaws
- ▶ Quads
- ▶ LUVs
- ▶ Tractors
- ▶ Ride on mowers
- ▶ Irrigation

YOUR FUTURE CAREER AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Possible jobs and career opportunities can include:

- ▶ Pruner
- ▶ Harvester
- ▶ Pack house hand
- ▶ Orchard crew supervisor
- ▶ Machinery operator

On successful completion of this Horticulture Skills programme you may choose to continue your studies by enrolling in the NZ Certificate in Horticulture (Fruit Production) [Level 3], followed by the NZ Certificate in Horticulture (Fruit Production) [Level 4] and then the NZ Diploma in Horticulture Production [Level 5].

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Horticulture Skills - NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Skills [Level 2] and NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills [Level 3]

Level	2 - 3	Credits	80
Length	24 weeks full-time (four weeks break)	Fee*	FREE**

* This is a guide only based on the previous year. All costs quoted include GST and student services levy. Fees apply to New Zealand citizens and New Zealand permanent residents only.

** Please note these programmes could affect your future 'Fees Free' entitlement. For more information go to [FeesFree.govt.nz](https://www.feesfree.govt.nz).

2022 KEY DATES

PROGRAMME DATES

Programme starts	Monday, 14 February	Programme ends	Friday, 29 July
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EIT SEMESTER HOLIDAYS

15 April - 29 April	27 June - 15 July	3 October - 14 October
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TIMETABLE

Your study involves contact time (class times), and non-contact time (your own individual study time).

Contact Time

On-campus classes are usually scheduled between 9.00am - 2.30pm, Monday to Thursday.

Non-contact Time

You should plan to spend seven hours of individual study per week excluding scheduled

classroom time. Each course in this programme requires independent learning outside of classroom hours.

ENTRY CRITERIA

This is an open entry programme which means no formal qualifications are required. You must be aged 16 or over and you are required to have a reasonable reading level in order to cope with the programme and to carry out written instruction.

You must also be physically able to complete the programme specific outcomes.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY REQUIREMENT

Applicants are required to have attained an acceptable level of English language fluency. This may be demonstrated in a variety of ways, including successful study in English, approved scores on TOEFL or IELTS (5.0 Academic) tests, completion of accepted international equivalents, or completion of an EIT assessment.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY SKILLS

A Literacy and Numeracy assessment is part of the preparation for all Level 1 to 3 programmes. This is a national requirement from the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC). This information gives your tutors information on what you already know to help them provide the help that you may need in your studies.

There are two assessments. The first assessment will take place within the first three weeks of the programme. The second will be a week or two before you finish the programme. This final assessment will show how you have improved with your Literacy and Numeracy skills.

There will always be a tutor to help you when doing the assessment. The most important thing to know about this assessment is that you CANNOT fail. You will merely get information on your Literacy and Numeracy skills. The result will NOT have an impact on any of your assessment marks in your course work.

FACILITIES

EIT has a range of student services available to ensure you are supported throughout your time with us. These include literacy and numeracy support, computer suites, library support, laboratories, academic support and Māori and Pasifika services

ASSESSMENTS

This is an achievement-based programme which means that you will be graded on your assessments. Assessments include a variety of methods, such as practical assessments, theory assignments and research assignments. At the end of the NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Skills [Level 2] you will have a portfolio of work that will be an excellent resource for you to use in any future learning or to give to any potential employers.

THE EXPERIENCE YOU NEED & THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED

When you study at EIT you'll get the kind of experiences that will help you gain the knowledge and skills to get ahead.

You'll also be supported by lecturers and tutors who are here for you, within a learning environment where you are treated as an individual, not just a number. They'll know your name and you'll receive one-on-one attention to make sure you get the support to succeed.

EXPERIENCED LECTURERS

You can be confident in the quality of our teaching and your learning experience at EIT.

EIT is one of the top ITPs in New Zealand for research excellence due to the quality of our community centred research, and associated publications and level of government and external grant income. This means that your lecturers use the latest knowledge and research in their field of expertise to inform their teaching, and many are at the forefront of knowledge creation within their discipline area.

A range of industry experts are used as guest speakers or hosts of field trips.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Students will complete the NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Skills [Level 2] followed by the NZ Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills [Level 3].

The Level 2 qualification is to enable the recognition of the entry level skills and knowledge required by the primary industry sector, and to provide a training pathway for entry into careers in the primary sector. The Level 3 qualification focuses on agri-vehicles, machinery and infrastructure such as tractors, light utility vehicles, fencing support structures, irrigation, mowers and chainsaws.

Course Descriptions

COURSE NO.	BRIEF DESCRIPTION NZ CERTIFICATE IN PRIMARY INDUSTRY SKILLS [LEVEL 2]	NO. OF CREDITS	NZQA LEVEL
CPIS 2.01	Safe Work Practices	10	2
CPIS 2.02	Introduction to Primary Industries	30	2
COURSE NO.	BRIEF DESCRIPTION NZ CERTIFICATE IN PRIMARY INDUSTRY OPERATIONAL SKILLS [LEVEL 3]	NO. OF CREDITS	NZQA LEVEL
CPIOS 3.01	Management of Workplace Risks and Personal Wellbeing	15	3
CPIOS 3.02	Mechanised Equipment – Vehicles	15	3
CPIOS 3.03	Mechanised Equipment – Machinery	10	3

NB: Courses are offered subject to sufficient numbers applying.

For more information about course content please contact the Programme Administrator, Cilla Hawkins, on 06 869 3073.

HOW TO ENROL

There is an easy 3-step process to follow when enrolling at EIT.

STEP 1

Check out the programmes online to see the programmes available for you to study. A copy of the course information for each programme is available online.

STEP 2

You can now use your RealMe verified identity to apply for study at EIT. If you use your RealMe verified identity you will no longer be sent a copy of your application form to sign. You also will not need to provide us with a copy of your primary ID.

If you apply online without using RealMe then you will be sent a summary of your enrolment to check and sign. It will also include course selection forms which you need to complete and return. Your enrolment cannot progress until you have sent the summary and forms back to us.

You can also apply using a paper enrolment form. Please call us on **0800 22 55 348** and we will send you one out.

You will receive an acceptance letter from your Faculty with programme information. This will include the start date of your

study and any special information regarding your programme. Depending on your chosen programme of study, you may be invited to attend an interview before you are accepted.

STEP 3

Arrangement for full payment of enrolment fees must be made before the start of your programme. You will receive an invoice with payment details.

Fees-Free government scheme: Tertiary education is fees-free for eligible domestic tertiary students. To check if you are eligible, go to **FeesFree.govt.nz** and enter your National Student Number (NSN). If you are not eligible you will be responsible for paying your fees.

Scholarships and grants: Scholarships and grants make life easier by helping to cover your fees, other costs and living expenses while you study. You don't always need to be an academic high-flyer to qualify. You can find out more about scholarships and other options for paying your fees at **eit.ac.nz**.

StudyLink: If you need to pay for your own study you can choose to apply for your Student Loan and Student Allowance with StudyLink. You should do this early, even if you haven't yet been accepted on your programme. You can change your details later if anything changes. Visit **studylink.govt.nz** to find out more about StudyLink.

STUDENT SERVICES LEVY

The Student Services Levy is a compulsory non-tuition fee that is charged to students enrolled at EIT. The levy is to contribute to the provision of quality student services that support learning. The funds received by EIT from the levy are ring-fenced, meaning they can only be spent on student services.

STUDENT LOANS AND ALLOWANCES

StudyLink is a service of the Ministry of Social Development. Apply well before your programme begins (even if you haven't been accepted yet) so you'll be ready to get your payments when you need them most.

Check out what you qualify for at **studylink.govt.nz**.



EIT is now part of Te Pūkenga

Te Pūkenga will bring together New Zealand's Institutes of Technology, Polytechnics, and Industry Training Organisations to build a network of on job, on campus and online learning. The services we offer will not only remain, they will be strengthened by being part of the extensive Te Pūkenga network around the country. From 2023 your enrolment will transfer to Te Pūkenga and you will become part of the extensive Te Pūkenga network around the country.

