

Your Direct Pathway to a World-Ranked New Zealand Degree

UC International College (UCIC) provides direct and exclusive pathway programmes for international students to the University of Canterbury (UC). Upon successful completion of their UCIC programme, students progress directly into the first or second year of their UC degree.

At UCIC, our purpose is to prepare students for academic success while equipping them with the confidence to achieve their full potential. UCIC places a strong emphasis on students' growth as they transition to

university life in Christchurch, New Zealand, helping them build the confidence and independence needed to succeed both academically and personally.

As a full-time UCIC student, you are eligible for New Zealand student visa work rights, allowing you to work part-time during the academic year and full-time during scheduled breaks. This provides valuable opportunities to gain work experience, enhance employability, and help cover living expenses while studying.

WHY CHOOSE UCIC?



Be a UC student
from Day 1



Fast track into your
dream degree at the
University of Canterbury
within 4-12 months



Small classes with
experienced and
caring teaching staff



Study in Ōtautahi
Christchurch (ranked QS
Best Student Cities 2026)



A proven track record
of excellence with a
98% progression rate
into higher study



Gain NZ Work rights
during and after study

Our pathway options to UC

Certificate in Foundation Studies

The Foundation Studies Programme replaces the final year of high school, providing a focused pathway into any UC's bachelor's degree. Upon completion, students have direct progression into a UCIC Diploma in University Studies, or into the first year of a UC degree.

Diploma in University Studies

This programme is equivalent to International Year 1. Upon completion of UCIC's Diploma in University studies, you will transfer on to the second year of your intended bachelors degree in Commerce, Data Science, Engineering or Science.

Certificate in Postgraduate Preparation

Upon completion, you will be guaranteed entry to a range of master's degrees across Business, Engineering, Science, Health, Education, and Arts disciplines.

Diploma in Postgraduate Preparation

Upon completion, with a minimum GPA requirement, you will be guaranteed entry to a range of master's degrees across Business, Engineering, Science, Health, Education, and Arts disciplines.

Ready to take your next step?
Contact our admissions office today.

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Entry requirements | Sri Lanka

Scholarships



10% Global Student Awards

All students who are academically eligible to study in a UCIC programme in 2027 will receive a Global Student Award equal to 10% of their tuition fees.

Programme	Academic Requirements	English Language requirements	Available UC Degree Majors
Certificate in Foundation Studies Fees: NZ \$28,842** Duration: 8 Months 2027 Intakes: 15 February 14 June 11 October	- Completion of Sri Lankan GCE IGCSE with a minimum of four (4) passes, or - Completion of the Cambridge International Examinations GCSE/IGCSE with passing grades in four (4) academic subjects, or - Completion of Year 1 of the IB. Students intending to study Science at the bachelor's level must have successfully studied maths/calculus Students intending to study Engineering at the bachelor's level must have successfully studied maths/calculus, physics and chemistry.	IELTS 5.5 (with no band below 5.0), or TOEFL Total minimum score of 46 (Writing is not below 14), or Pearson Test of English (Academic) PTE with an overall score of 42 (No PTE communicative skills score below 36)	Gain university entrance to any Bachelors degree at the University of Canterbury
Diploma in University Studies Fees: NZ\$37,691.28** (Commerce Pathway) NZ \$47,120** (Engineering Pathway) NZ \$41,909** (Science Pathway) Duration: 12 Months 2027 Intakes: 15 February 14 June 11 October	- Completion of Sri Lankan A levels with a minimum grade of C. - Cambridge International Examinations: Passing grades in at least two A or AS level academic subjects with at least 3 points overall; or - International Baccalaureate: Completion of at least 18 points across six (6) subjects Students intending to study Science at the bachelor's level must have successfully studied maths/calculus Students intending to study Engineering at the bachelor's level must have successfully studied maths/calculus, physics and chemistry.	IELTS 5.5 (with no band below 5.0), or TOEFL Total minimum score of 46 (Writing is not below 14), or Pearson Test of English (Academic) PTE with an overall score of 42 (No PTE communicative skills score below 36), or Cambridge International A Level Qualification - Passing grades in one A Level Examination. (Teaching and assessment of this subject must have been conducted in English)	Commerce - Accounting - Economics - Finance - Human Resources Management - Information Systems - International Business - Marketing - International Business - Finance - Management - Marketing - Operations and Supply Chain Management - Strategy and Entrepreneurship Engineering - Civil Engineering - Forestry Engineering - Mechanical Engineering - Chemical and Process Engineering - Computer Engineering - Electrical and Electronic Engineering - Mechatronics Engineering - Software Engineering Science - Computer Science - Bachelor of Data Science - Financial Engineering - Mathematics - Statistics
Certificate in Postgraduate Preparation Fees: NZ \$17,800** Duration: 16 Weeks 2027 Intakes: 15 February 11 October	Students must have completed a bachelor's degree	IELTS 6.0 (with no band below 5.5)	- Master of Applied Data Science - Master of Applied Finance and Economics - Master of Business Information Systems - Master of Business Management - Master of Civil Engineering - Master of Disaster Risk and Resilience - Master of Engineering Management (Online Only) - Master of Engineering Studies - Master of Financial Analysis - Master of Geospatial Data Science - Master of International Relations and Diplomacy - Master of Marketing - Master of Policy and Governance - Master of Product Design - Master of Product Innovation - Master of Professional Accounting - Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages - Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal - Master of Water Science and Management
Diploma in Postgraduate Preparation Fees: NZ \$35,900** Duration: 32 Weeks 2027 Intakes: 15 February 11 October	Students must have completed an advanced diploma or associate degree.	IELTS 6.0 (with no band below 5.5)	- Master of Applied Data Science - Master of Applied Finance and Economics - Master of Business Information Systems - Master of Business Management - Master of Civil Engineering - Master of Disaster Risk and Resilience - Master of Engineering Management (Online Only) - Master of Engineering Studies - Master of Financial Analysis - Master of Geospatial Data Science - Master of International Relations and Diplomacy - Master of Marketing - Master of Policy and Governance - Master of Product Design - Master of Product Innovation - Master of Professional Accounting - Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages - Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal

International student entry varies by country and/or region. See your countries specific requirements: www.ucic.ac.nz/admissions/entry-requirements/academic ** This fee is indicative only and does not include additional costs such as course materials, insurance, and levies. Prices include GST where applicable. *** Please check that the end date of your pre master's programme aligns with the start date of your preferred master's degree. Most master's degrees have a February and/or July start date.



"I especially enjoy the teaching style at UCIC. In my home country, education was often focused on exams and memorisation. At UCIC, learning is more interactive, with discussions, critical thinking, and sharing different perspectives. My Media and Sociology classes have been some of my favourites because they encouraged me to explore ideas and learn from others.

UCIC has helped me become a more independent learner, improve my time management, and develop important life skills. The support available through the Student Council, student buddy programme, and counselling services made a big difference when I first arrived."

Sania

Certificate in Foundation Studies in Arts . UC Bachelor of Arts, Social and Environmental Sustainability, Law