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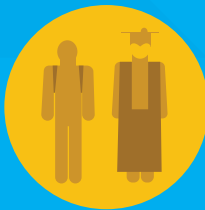
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Over 20,000 students, including 2,500 international students from 100 countries and 4,500 postgraduate students.



Proud to be 1 of the 7 members of the Matariki Network of Universities.



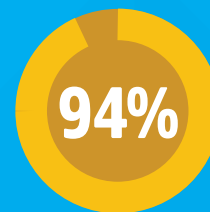
Ranked 151st in the 2017/18 QS World University Rankings ... and in the top 100 in 13 subject areas.



Otago holds more teaching awards than any other New Zealand university, including five Supreme Award winners in successive years (2012-2016).



Otago scores the highest possible international quality rating for excellence and quality.



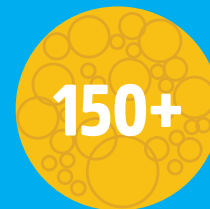
94% of our graduates go into work or on to further study.



Otago offers more than 190 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.



Our 150 University Flats, located near campus, accommodate most Study Abroad and Exchange students.



We offer more than 150 student clubs and societies to choose from.



85% of our students come from outside Dunedin.



Otago has produced 62 Rhodes Scholars since 1904.



Recognised as one of the 15 most beautiful campuses in the world (*Huffington Post* 2013).

New Zealand Aotearoa

New Zealand is a land of great natural beauty, and the South Island is one of the world's most exciting adventure playgrounds.



1. Dunedin

Known as the gateway to the South Island, basing yourself in Dunedin allows for a comparably affordable way for you to access many of New Zealand's world-renowned destinations of immense natural beauty, or enjoy adventure activities.



2. Queenstown, Arrowtown and Wanaka 3.5 hours' drive.

Queenstown, the birthplace of bungee, is known as the Adventure Sports Capital of the World. The stunningly beautiful gorges and lakeside environment provide the perfect setting for skydiving, canyon swinging, jet boating and white-water rafting. This is also the Southern Hemisphere's top ski resort area and has great nightlife once the sun goes down.

Photograph by AJ Hackett Bungy

Comparable in physical size to Japan, Great Britain, or half the state of California, USA, New Zealand has a population of over four million people, making it one of the least crowded countries in the world. It is a land of great natural beauty, and the South Island is one of the world's most exciting adventure playgrounds.

New Zealand / Aotearoa was originally settled by Māori about 1,000 years ago, followed by waves of European immigration during the past two centuries. Today the country maintains a diverse and dynamic multicultural emphasis, enhanced by the growing number of people from the Pacific Islands and Asia who have also made New Zealand their home in recent years.

New Zealanders are friendly people who, in spite of (or perhaps because of) the country's geographical location and relatively small population, have earned a reputation for being both enterprising and innovative. They welcome international visitors and have a wide range of interests, from the arts to outdoor and sporting pursuits. New Zealanders love their sport and are good at it. Swimming, walking, biking, hiking, boating and fishing are all easily accessible, as are many sporting codes such as rugby, soccer, tennis, netball, basketball, golf, squash and hockey. Those who are more adventurous enjoy surfing, white-water rafting, jet boating and bungee jumping, while in the winter months the Otago region's ski fields attract skiers and snowboarders from across New Zealand and from afar.

The New Zealand economy is broadly-based. It is a major exporter of primary products, while manufacturing, information technology, biological and medical research, education and tourism also play vital economic roles. There is a growing focus on ecotourism ventures, the wine industry, fashion design and a flourishing film industry that is gaining wide international recognition. The New Zealand dollar is a stable currency offering visitors a favourable exchange rate. All goods and services are subject to a 15 per cent goods and services tax (included in the display price) and all major credit cards can be used.

Find out more about New Zealand at: newzealand.com



3. Fiordland

3.5 hours' drive.

Fiordland is one of the most dramatic and beautiful parts of New Zealand and has three of New Zealand's "Great Walks" – the Milford, Kepler and Routeburn Tracks.

Photograph by Vaughan Brookfield



4. Aoraki Mount Cook

4 hours' drive.

Aoraki Mount Cook National Park is home to New Zealand's highest mountain and longest glacier. Visitors come here to hike, climb, cycle, paddle among icebergs in glacial lakes, or sit and soak up the spectacular views.

Photograph by Fraser Gunn



5. The Catlins

1.5 hours' drive.

The Catlins is an area of great contrasts and natural beauty – from magnificent coastal cliffs and long sweeping beaches, to rainforests, hidden waterfalls and rolling farmland.



Dunedin: New Zealand's student capital

Our 20,000 students make up one fifth of Dunedin's population, creating an energy and atmosphere that you'll only find at Otago.

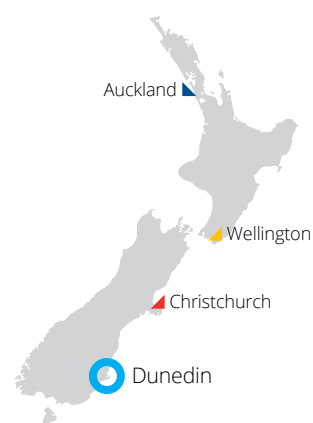
The town and the University campus developed together, so Dunedin is one of just a handful of places worldwide where education is the main activity of the city.

Our campus and university flats are located in the heart of town, and all of Dunedin's cafés, music venues, designer boutiques and stores, museums and galleries are never more than a short walk away.

When it comes to sport, Otago takes on the best in the world. The University's facilities are state of the art and New Zealand's only covered sports field, Forsyth Barr Stadium, is right on your doorstep for top-level rugby.

But that's just the beginning. Dunedin is a small city between the mountains, the harbour and the sea – that means there's heaps to do and it's easy to get to. Experience the distinctive beauty of each of Dunedin's four seasons. The temperate climate brings warm summers and mild winters with some frost and very occasional snowfalls. No other city in the country has the same range, quality and accessibility of leisure activities. Ride the best waves in the world, take on mighty mountain biking tracks, paddle-board, kayak or sail on the harbour, or head to Central Otago for a weekend on New Zealand's top ski fields.

Imagine changing out of your wetsuit then walking to the city centre for lunch, or snowboarding all day and getting home in time to catch your favourite band. It's just part of life in Dunedin.



dunedin
www.DunedinNZ.com





Life at Otago

Making a decision to study overseas is a bold one – the University of Otago will support you to make the most of your time here.

Most study takes place at our campus in Dunedin, a safe city that is easy to get around and has a relatively inexpensive cost of living.

Most of our study abroad and exchange students stay in university-managed flats which provide the freedom and opportunity to live the local student lifestyle, while ensuring you have the support to help you get the very best out of your time at Otago.

A first-class education requires world-class facilities and Otago is known for its state-of-the-art lecture theatres, research labs and libraries. There's also unlimited wi-fi across campus and our computer labs are open 24/7.

Otago's International Office provides specialist support for international students, welcoming you with a tailored orientation programme and providing ongoing help and support throughout your time here.

For those who like to play for fun, the University's Clubs and Societies programme offers over 150 short courses and activities,

from arts, crafts and dancing to cooking, languages and music.

If you're serious about sport, then Otago is the best place to be. What other university hosts international cricket minutes from campus, and international rugby right next door?

Unipol Recreation Centre is a superb gym facility that offers everything you need free of charge, including cardio and weights, sports halls, group fitness classes, social sport and outdoor adventures – whatever you need to get your fix of the outdoors.

You won't regret choosing the all-round experience that only Otago can offer.



Student services

Computer services

Otago provides a range of IT services to students: 24-hour wireless study spaces with printers and computers, student webmail and online Office 365, and a student desktop that's accessible anywhere. Our friendly Student IT support team provide help, advice and training.

otago.ac.nz/studentit

Disability Information and Support Office (DI&S)

DI&S provides learning support, advice, advocacy and information to international students with disabilities, impairments, medical conditions or injuries that may impact on their study. It is important that you check in advance to ensure that the University is able to meet your specific requirements.

otago.ac.nz/disabilities

International Office

The International Office provides information, support and advice to future and current international students and to students wishing to study overseas on exchange programmes. It runs an on-campus orientation programme for new international students, operates an international friendship network, and assists with insurance and US Financial Aid.

otago.ac.nz/international

Libraries

The University of Otago Libraries offer an outstanding range of information services, quality resources, wi-fi and warm

comfortable facilities suitable for individual or group learning. Whether you are studying on or off campus, enjoy access to a wide variety of print, electronic and audio-visual resources.

otago.ac.nz/library

Recreation at Otago

Unipol Recreation Services and the OUSA Clubs and Societies team provide a comprehensive programme to ensure students maintain a healthy, balanced and fun lifestyle while studying at Otago. Entry into Unipol is free with a current student ID card. This fantastic facility includes weight training and cardio rooms, and team sports areas where students and their friends can participate in casual sports such as basketball, table tennis and more.

OUSA Clubs and Societies runs an inexpensive and extensive recreational programme, including activities like yoga, tai chi, painting and coffee-making, and it is also the base for over 75 societies covering different cultural, sporting, political and religious interests. There are more than 25 international societies that provide a home away from home for international students.

otago.ac.nz/recreation

Students' Association

The Otago University Students' Association (OUSA) is an independent organisation that represents students' interests. If you've lost your wallet, need some help with budgeting, or require advocacy and support, OUSA is the place to go.

ousa.org.nz

Student Health Services

Student Health provides daily urgent and routine appointments to all international students.

otago.ac.nz/studenthealth

Student Learning Development

Student Learning Development offers a free service including interactive workshops, individual consultations with learning advisers, and peer learning and support programmes.

otago.ac.nz/sld

Volunteering and career development

Service to community is a strong element of the student experience at Otago. Over two thirds of students and staff volunteer in some capacity. UniCrew coordinates volunteering at Otago. Interested students are encouraged to make contact with UniCrew in the first weeks on campus, to discover volunteer opportunities that are suitable. Roles are hugely diverse so you will be able to find something that matches your interests and motivations.

otago.ac.nz/volunteer

The University of Otago's Career Development Centre helps you get career ready. From exploring your career options to specific job search strategies, you'll find the information you need to establish your future career.

otago.ac.nz/careers



Accommodation

Flatting is an important part of the university lifestyle; it offers responsibility, freedom, and the chance to live and mix with “Kiwi” students.

University-managed flats and houses

The majority of study abroad and exchange students stay in rented accommodation which they share with other students. In New Zealand we call this “flatting”. The University Flats are houses or apartments with three to six students that are totally integrated into the local students’ neighbourhoods and all within 10 minutes’ walking distance of campus. This provides a unique opportunity to live the local student lifestyle, and most have a New Zealand “Kiwi Host” student.

The University Flats are fully furnished with shared common spaces. Each student has their own room with desk, chair, drawers, double bed and linen provided. Internet and electricity are included in the rent, however food and cooking are the responsibility of the students in the flat.

otago.ac.nz/uniflats

Applying for a flat

The Student Accommodation Centre manages the applications for University Flats. You should submit your application by mid-November of the preceding year for a February start, or by the end of May for a July start.

otago.ac.nz/about/accommodation/application

Alternative accommodation

University Flats provide the best living experience for study abroad and exchange students, however in some cases students may wish to live with a local family (homestay) or in a fully catered residential college. Rooms in residential colleges are only provided in the rare event of a place being available for a single semester student. If you would like further information about homestays and residential colleges, please contact the Student Accommodation Centre.

Temporary accommodation

If you plan to arrive before your permanent accommodation is available, it is important that you organise temporary accommodation in advance for when you first arrive in Dunedin.

The Student Accommodation Centre provides a list of options including backpackers, “bed and breakfasts” and motels that are close to the University.

otago.ac.nz/accommodation

Terminology

An Otago degree

New Zealand universities generally offer a three-year undergraduate bachelor's degree and the subject you choose to specialise in is called your major. The major subject is generally studied in every year of the course, with the third year increasing in difficulty and specialisation.

Papers

The building blocks of the degree are called papers. A paper is a fixed amount of work in certain aspects of a subject at a particular level. Introductory papers are called 100-level papers, and you move on in subsequent years or semesters to 200-level and 300-level papers. Usually students take a mixture of 100, 200 and 300-level papers in their semester at Otago. Papers beyond 300-level are normally postgraduate papers and require an advanced background.

Choosing the right papers is generally done in conjunction with a Study Aboard adviser from your 'home' university.

Otago offers a range of papers with a uniquely New Zealand or Pacific focus. This

is a great way to incorporate formal learning about the culture, society, natural and physical environment of New Zealand and surrounds into the study abroad experience.

Prerequisites and corequisites

Most papers beyond 100-level have prerequisites. If you have not completed a prerequisite for a paper, you are not normally permitted to enrol in that paper. Some papers have corequisites. If you have not already passed a corequisite, you must take it at the same time as your other paper. However, you can request to take a 200 or 300-level paper when completing course enrolment.

Workload

Most papers are single semester papers and are worth 18 points. A full-time course is generally 54-72 points in any one semester (three to four papers). As an approximate guide, you can expect to spend about 12 hours per week for each single-semester paper (18 points). These hours are made up of a combination of lectures, tutorials, laboratories, assignments and reading.

18 Otago points are worth approximately 9 ECTS and 3-5 US credits.

Teaching

The basic method of presenting subject information is the lectures, which normally last fifty minutes and are a basic means of introducing new knowledge. You must back them up with your own reading. You will have essays and assignments, and may take part in laboratories or tutorials where more individual attention is available. You may also find you are in regular contact with tutors, other academic staff and other students.

Assessment

Papers are assessed in a variety of ways. Examinations (finals) are usually the most important and most papers end with a three-hour examination at the end of each semester. Many subjects also have shorter tests during the year, and written assignments and laboratory work often count towards your final grade.

STUDENT PROFILE

Kate Smith

New England College
United States of America



American education student Kate Smith wanted to broaden her horizons.

Her professor at New England College in New Hampshire recommended Otago, and Kate became the first student to take up the University's new study abroad teaching practice semester, which includes classroom experience.

"It's gone absolutely amazingly," says Kate. "I would have loved to stay longer."

She wanted to explore somewhere different from the States to see how much she could learn. Otago was a surprise after her small college of some 2,000 students.

"I had to adjust to bigger classes but it was pretty easy and now I like it better."

Kate says her supervisor helped her adjust both to studying at Otago and teaching on placement.

"At first I experienced culture shock in the classroom because of how different New Zealand's curriculum is from the US. Here the emphasis is on creating global citizens who want to contribute.

"I was very impressed by how well-behaved and hard-working the students were.

"This experience has opened my eyes to how classrooms should work. I thought it would be like home but there's more than one way you can set up a classroom and more than one way you can teach."

Kate saw enough of New Zealand while she was here to tempt her back. "When I graduate next year I'd like to teach abroad, first in Asia, and then here if I can."





140 YEARS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Upon establishment as New Zealand's first university in 1869, the University of Otago's first three Professors began teaching Classics, English Language and Literature, Mathematics, Natural, Mental and Moral Philosophy, and Political Economy. Today Otago offers a large range of subjects in the humanities and social sciences that study abroad and exchange students from all majors will find enriches their time in New Zealand.

Subjects available

Anthropology (ANTH)
Archaeology (ARCH)
Art History and Visual Culture (ARTV)
Asian Studies (ASIA)
Biblical Studies (BIBS) and
Pastoral Studies (PAST)
Bioethics (BITC)
Biological Anthropology (BIOA)
Chinese (CHIN)
Christian Thought and History (CHTH)
Classical Studies (CLAS)
Criminology (CRIM)
Economics (ECON)
Education (EDUC, EDSU)
English (ENGL)
Environment and Society (ENVI)
European Studies (EURO)

French (FREN)
Gender Studies (GEND)
Geography (GEOG)
German (GERM)
Greek (GREK)
Hebrew (HEBR)
History (HIST)
Japanese (JAPA)
Latin (LATN)
Law (LAWS)
Linguistics (LING)
Māori Studies (MAOR)
Mathematics (MATH)
Media, Film and Communication (MFCO)
Music (MUSI)
Pacific Islands Studies (PACI)
Performing Arts (PERF)

Philosophy (PHIL)
Politics (POLS)
Psychology (PSYC)
Religious Studies (RELS)
Sanskrit (SANS)
Social Work (SOWK)
Sociology (SOCI)
Spanish (SPAN)
Statistics (STAT)
Theatre Studies (THEA)

To find all papers from a particular subject area type in the four letter code as shown above, e.g. "POLS", to find all Politics papers here:

otago.ac.nz/courses/subjects

New Zealand and Pacific Studies

Examples of papers

ANTH 205	Contemporary Pacific Cultures
ARCH 204	Pacific Archaeology
ENGL 242	New Zealand Literature: Nation and Narration
ENVI 211	Environmental History of New Zealand
HIST 107	New Zealand in the World 1350–2000
MAOR 102	Māori Society
MFCO 216	New Zealand Cinema
PACI 101	Pacific Societies
POLS 102	New Zealand Politics – Introduction
SOCI 101	Sociology of New Zealand Society



HUMAN HEALTH AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

NEW ZEALAND'S FIRST SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The University of Otago has a strong reputation for excellence in the areas of human health and medical science, stemming from the establishment of New Zealand's first school of medicine in 1877.

Opportunities for pre-med students

The University of Otago is the only New Zealand university to offer programmes in Dentistry, and one of only two to offer degrees in Pharmacy, Medicine and Physiotherapy.

The University of Otago recognises the particular needs of students pursuing pre-professional studies for Medicine at their home universities. Otago offers a selection of papers that will add an international perspective to complement pre-professional education.

Subjects available

Anatomy (ANAT)
 Biochemistry (BIOC)
 Bioethics (BITC)
 Biological Anthropology (BIOA)
 Cell and Molecular Biology (CELS)
 Forensic Analytical Science (FORS)/
 Biology (FORB)
 Genetics (GENE)
 Public Health (PUBH)
 Human Body Systems (HUBS)
 Human Nutrition (HUNT)

Microbiology (MICR)
 Neuroscience (NEUR)
 Pathology (PATH)
 Pharmacology (PHAL)
 Physiology (PHSL)

To find all papers from a particular subject area type in the four letter code as shown above, e.g. "MICR", to find all Microbiology papers here:

otago.ac.nz/courses/subjects

Examples of papers

ANAT 250	Functional Anatomy
BIOA 101	Introduction to Biological Anthropology
BIOC 221	Molecular Biology
BITC 201	Bioethics and the Life Sciences
FORS 201	Analytical and Forensic Science
GENE 222	Genes, Chromosomes and Populations
MICR 223	Infection and Immunity
PATH 201	Foundations in Human Pathology
PHAL 211	Introductory Pharmacology
PHSL 231	Neurophysiology
PSYC 211	Brain and Cognition
PUBH 211	Epidemiology of Major Health Problems
STAT 115	Introduction to Biostatistics



SCIENCES

OTAGO IS RECOGNISED AS A PREMIER LOCATION FOR SCIENCE STUDY

The Division of Sciences offers a wide range of fundamental and applied sciences. The Division of Sciences' aggregate quality score for research is the highest in New Zealand*, and coupled with excellent scientific equipment, laboratories and teaching space, Otago is at the forefront of scientific endeavour.

Most science papers include a laboratory component. Concepts learnt in lectures are applied in the laboratory and field to give study abroad and exchange students a well-rounded academic experience.

Subjects available

Aquaculture and Fisheries (AQFI)	Mathematics (MATH)
Biology (BIOL)	Nautical Studies (NAUT)
Botany (BTNY)	Neuroscience (NEUR)
Cell and Molecular Biology (CELS)	Oceanography (OCEN)
Chemistry (CHEM)	Physical Education and Sport Science (PHSE)
Clothing and Textile Sciences (CLTE)	Physics (PHSI)
Computational Modelling (COMO)	Plant Biotechnology (PLBI)
Computer Science (COMP, COSC)	Psychology (PSYC)
Earth and Ocean Science (EAOS)	Software Engineering (SENG)
Ecology (ECOL)	Statistics (STAT)
Electronics (ELEC)	Surveying (SURV)
Energy Management (EMAN)	Zoology (ZOOL)
Environment and Society (ENVI)	
Food Science (FOSC)	
Geography (GEOG)	
Geology (GEOL)	
Human Nutrition (HUNT)	
Information Science (INFO)	
Marine Science (MARI)	

To find all papers from a particular subject area type in the four letter code as shown above, e.g. "PHSI", to find all Physics papers here:

otago.ac.nz/courses/subjects

Fieldwork and research opportunities

Otago's southern New Zealand location, in close proximity to wildlife, marine and geological areas of research interest, enables University departments to make the most of the natural laboratory on their doorstep. New Zealand-specific content and exploratory field trips are common components to many science courses in, for example, Botany, Ecology, Geography, Geology and Marine Science. In addition, a number of papers offered at Otago provide the opportunity to undertake a small, independent research project.

Examples of papers

AQFI 301	Field Methods for Assessment of Fisheries and Aquatic Habitats
BTNY 303	Topics in Field Botany
EAOS 111	Earth and Ocean Sciences
ECOL 212	Ecological Applications
GEOL 252	Field Studies and New Zealand Geology
MARI 302	Biology and Behaviour of Marine Vertebrates
OCEN 301	Practical and Field Oceanography
PHSE 327	Adventure Education
ZOOL 319	Conservation Biology

*New Zealand Government's 2012 PBRF (Performance-Based Research Fund) evaluation.



BUSINESS

A LEADING INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS SCHOOL

The Otago Business School has an extensive subject range, expert teachers, modern facilities and excellent student services. The School holds accreditation from both the US-based Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) and the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS).

Study Abroad students can take advantage of the range of opportunities available at the School, including the Visiting Executive Programme (VEP). The VEP is designed to bring leading national and international executives to the School to give lunchtime seminars to students. In the past, VEP speakers have included the Hon. Bill English, New Zealand's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, and Tim Gibson, former CEO New Zealand Trade and Enterprise.

Subjects available

Accounting (ACCT, ACFI, ACTP)
Business Law (BLAW)
Business Studies (BSNS)
Economics (ECON)
Finance (FINC, FINQ)
Information Science (INFO)
Management (MANT)
Marketing (MART)
Tourism (TOUR)

To find all papers from a particular subject area type in the four letter code as shown above, e.g. "MANT", to find all Management papers here:

otago.ac.nz/courses/subjects

Examples of papers

BSNS 103	Marketing and Consumption	MANT 217	International Management
BSNS 105	Management and Organisations	MANT 250	Managing People
BSNS 111	Business and Society	MANT 303	Entrepreneurship
ECON 201	Microeconomics	MART 112	Marketing Management
ECON 206	The World Economy	MART 207	Sports Marketing
ECON 302	International Trade	MART 305	Societal Issues in Marketing
FINC 202	Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management	TOUR 101	Introduction to Tourism
FINC 304	Financial Markets and Institutions	TOUR 219	Destination Management
		TOUR 304	Event and Conventions Management





SUMMER AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS

Summer School

(Early January to mid-February)

Summer School provides an opportunity for students to study one or two papers for credit over a shorter teaching period and outside the standard semester timetable. There were 57 papers offered in 2017, and Summer School can be combined with study for the first semester (mid-February to June), or added to the end of a second semester experience.

A small number of additional papers will be available as part of a Pre-Christmas Summer School in November – December.

otago.ac.nz/summerschool

Examples of papers

ANTH 326	Special Topic: Sex and Culture
BIOA 201	Biocultural Human Skeletal Biology
BTNY 303	Field Topics in Botany (Pre-Christmas)
COSC 360	Computer Game Design
FORB 201	Forensic Biology
GEOL 252	Field Studies and New Zealand Geology
MANT 358	Special Topic: He Kākano: Indigenous Innovation and Entrepreneurship
MAOR 110	Introduction to Conversational Māori
MUSI 260	Special Topic: Pop Vocal Performance and Recording
POLS 317	News Media and International Crises
SCOM 209	Communicating Science: An Introduction
THEA 151	Improvisation
TOUR 214	Introduction to Wine Business

International School

(Late June to mid-July)

The International School provides an opportunity for students to study at Otago for just three weeks during the summer break in the northern hemisphere. This is the perfect opportunity for students who are unable to spend a full semester at Otago to study on-campus and undertake field trips around the local region.

There are several papers available designed to allow students to engage with the cultural and environmental highlights of the Otago region with an emphasis on field work. Please see the website for papers offered in 2018.

Some pre-reading is required prior to arrival in Dunedin in late June, and after the three-week on-campus experience, final assignments can be completed from anywhere in the world and submitted electronically by the end of August.

Housing, food, insurance and field trips are all included in the International School package, please see the website for further details:

otago.ac.nz/international-school

Otago Global Student Exchange

The University of Otago has formal exchange agreements with many institutions worldwide, allowing for the reciprocal exchange of students. Further information is available at:

otago.ac.nz/student-exchange

If you are enrolled at an institution listed below, please contact your home institution's international office for further information on selection procedures. If your university does not have an exchange agreement with the University of Otago, you are welcome to apply as a study abroad student:

otago.ac.nz/study-abroad

ARGENTINA AUSTRALIA AUSTRIA BELGIUM BRAZIL

Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina
University of Western Australia
Vienna University of Economics and Business
Catholic University of Louvain (Business School)
Fundação Getulio Vargas (FGV-EAESP)
Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio

CANADA

de Janeiro
Brock University
Dalhousie University
McGill University
Mt Allison University
Queen's University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of Toronto
Western University
Western University, Faculty of Law
Western University, Richard Ivey School of Business
York University, Schulich School of Business
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
Chinese University of Hong Kong
Dalian University of Foreign Languages
Fudan University
Ocean University of China
Sun Yat-sen University, Business School
Tsinghua University
University of Hong Kong

CHILE CHINA

CZECH REPUBLIC

Charles University
University of Economics, Prague
Aarhus University
Aarhus University, School of Business and Social Sciences

DENMARK

ENGLAND

Copenhagen School of Business
University of Copenhagen
Alliance Manchester Business School
Aston University, Aston Business School
Falmouth University
University of Bristol
University of Durham
University of East Anglia
University of Essex
University of Exeter

FINLAND

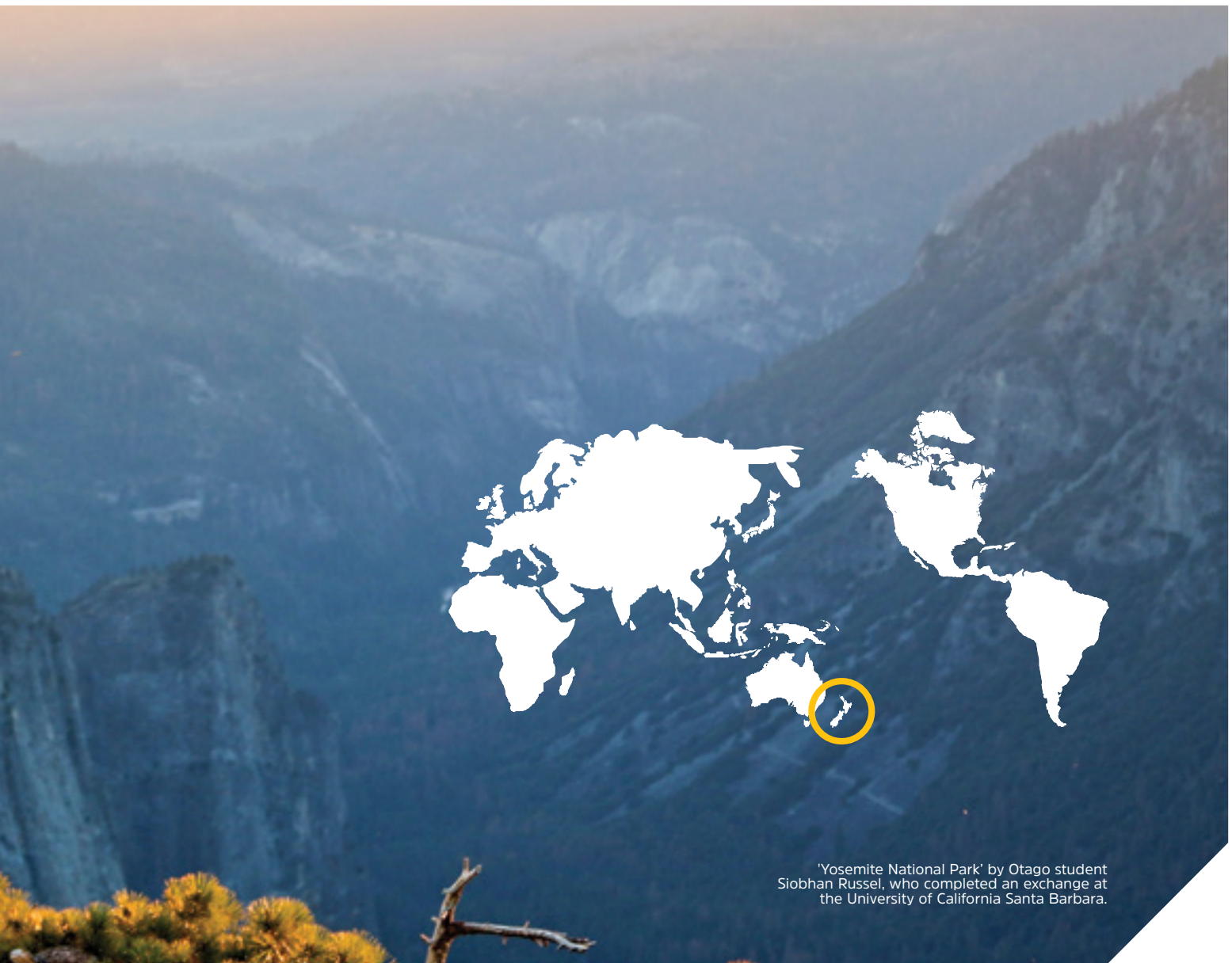
FRANCE

University of Manchester
Aalto University School of Business
University of Helsinki
Grenoble Ecole de Management
Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3
Université Grenoble Alpes
Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3
Heidelberg University
University of Cologne (Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences)

GERMANY

HUNGARY ICELAND

University of Tübingen
Universitat Leipzig
Corvinus University of Budapest
University of Iceland



"Yosemite National Park" by Otago student Siobhan Russel, who completed an exchange at the University of California Santa Barbara.

INDIA	Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad	SPAIN	ESADE
IRELAND	Lochlann Quinn School of Business		Universidad Complutense de Madrid
	University College Dublin	SWEDEN	Lund University
ITALY	Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi		Stockholm School of Economics
JAPAN	Hirosaki University		Umeå University
	Hokkaido University		Uppsala University
	Keio University	SWITZERLAND	Universität St Gallen
	Kyoto University	TAIWAN	National Taiwan Normal University
	Ochanomizu University	THAILAND	Mahidol University, College of Management, MBA
	Otaru University of Commerce	TURKEY	METU – Middle East Technical University
	Rissho University	USA	Boston College
	University of Tokyo		Duke University, Fuqua School of Business, MBA
	Yokohama National University		Florida International University
KOREA	Yonsei University, School of Business		Indiana University, Kelley School of Business
MEXICO	Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)		Texas Tech
	Universidad Veracruzana		University of California
THE NETHERLANDS	Leiden University		University of Hawai'i at Manoa
	Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University		University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management
	University of Amsterdam		University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
NORWAY	University of Bergen		University of North Carolina, Kenan Flagler School of Business
POLAND	Warsaw School of Economics		University of Oregon
PORTUGAL	Universidade Nova de Lisboa		University of Richmond
SCOTLAND	University of Edinburgh		University of Texas, Austin
	University of Glasgow		University of Texas, McCombs School of Business
	University of Strathclyde		University of Virginia
SINGAPORE	National University of Singapore	WALES	Cardiff University
	Singapore Trinity Theological College		

Kimberley Guo

Yale University
United States of America



Los Angeles born and bred Kimberley Guo was tempted away from Yale to study at Otago for a semester.

“I was attracted by the fascinating papers at Otago, and I loved the idea of living in such a student-oriented community in a region easily accessible to some of the most stunning landscapes.”

Kimberley is in the third year of her Bachelor of Science in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology. After her first year she tasted overseas study with a summer school in China.

“It was fantastic, but it was too short, so I was looking at a study abroad semester. Otago was recommended to me as other Yale students had loved coming here.”

She won an Education New Zealand Study Abroad Travel Award, and is now enjoying the complete university town experience in Dunedin.

“At Yale you live in residential colleges for all four years, but Otago is oriented around flats and you build a cool network of friends that’s always growing. I’m looking forward to maintaining the friendships I’ve made here when I’m back in the States.

“Academically, I like Otago’s emphasis on science fieldwork classes and practical science. And it’s not all science. I love taking interest papers, especially on topics not taught at Yale.”

Kimberley has made a conscious effort to take advantage of student activities such as dance classes and the tramping club, which has shown her some of New Zealand’s more remote places.

“My horizons have expanded and I’ve had some great personal interactions with other internationals and Kiwis, including seeing perspectives of America from other places in the world.

“Everyone who studies abroad loves it, and I can see why after coming to Otago.”

Ayeshah Lalloo

University of East Anglia
United Kingdom



An “unexpected journey” has led to a year of highlight-experiences for international student Ayeshah Lalloo.

“I had never heard of Otago before attending a Study Abroad meeting at the University of East Anglia where I study in the UK. I soon found it was one of the best universities in New Zealand and I really loved the look of the Dunedin campus and the city. An added bonus was that all the papers on offer looked really interesting.”

Ayeshah has enjoyed studying a combination of media, film and history papers, and has adjusted to Otago’s academic assessment system.

“Academic life is quite different at Otago – my course has more small assignments across the semester and a final exam, which was something I wasn’t used to. But the change is quite easy to adjust to.”

Dunedin has exceeded her expectations as an easy city to live in. “It’s a cool little town and everything is close by,” she says.

Study at Otago has allowed plenty of opportunities to explore the great outdoors, and a highlight of the year has been hiking and travelling around New Zealand, visiting many of the scenic areas made famous in the Hobbit and Lord of the Rings films.

“The international community at Otago is very welcoming. Meeting so many people from all over the world with different cultures and interests really changes the way you think about the world and yourself in a positive way. Definitely come here. Student life is amazing, there’s always something going on and places to go.”

How to apply

Application deadlines

You can start study at the beginning of the first semester (February to June), the second semester (July to November), Summer School (January to February) or International School (June to July).

The deadlines for applications are:

First Semester: 1 December
Second Semester: 30 April
Summer School: 31 October

If you are participating in an Exchange programme you must be nominated by your home institution which must have a formal agreement with the University of Otago.

To apply follow this simple application process:

1

CHECK THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Before applying to the University of Otago make sure you are eligible for entry and meet the English language requirements.

English language requirements

If English is not your first language you must provide evidence of English language proficiency in one of the following:

IELTS

6.0 in the academic module (with no individual band below 6.0)

Internet-based TOEFL

Score of 80 (minimum writing score of 20)

Germany

B2 or higher in each of the three components of the DAAD language test

Denmark

Minimum GPA of 6 in A-level English; or a minimum GPA of 9 in B-level English when graduating from Upper Secondary School.

Norway

Grade 4 or higher in English (any year) for the Upper Secondary Leaving Certificate.

For a full list of country requirements visit the website:

otago.ac.nz/international/otago031268

Academic eligibility

To be eligible for Study Abroad or Exchange you usually must:

- Be currently enrolled and have completed at least one semester of study at an accredited institution
- Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 minimum on a 4-point scale, or have a “credit”, “good”, or above average results.

Students who do not meet this criteria but wish to study abroad for one or two semesters are welcome to make an application and your individual eligibility will be confirmed.

2

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION ONLINE

Go online to complete an application at otago.ac.nz/study-abroad

The University operates an online application and enrolment system called eVision that allows you to apply online and supply relevant documentation as part of the process.

Documents required

You will be required to supply the following as part of the online application process:

- Copy of passport or birth certificate.
- Original or certified copies of academic transcripts of all previous tertiary level studies undertaken.
- Evidence of English language proficiency if required.

All documents must be certified/notarised by an authorised authority such as a principal, registrar, notary public, justice of the peace, or attorney. The University will also accept documents certified/notarised by staff of Study Abroad and Exchange offices.

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OFFER OF PLACE

All applications will be acknowledged and assessed for eligibility. You can expect an outcome within four weeks of submitting your application.

4

SELECT YOUR PAPERS

Papers can be selected online through your student portal.

You are not normally permitted to take papers from Dentistry, Medicine, Medical Laboratory Science, Pharmacy and Physiotherapy degree schedules.

Check the subjects and papers section of the university website to ensure the papers you wish to take are offered in the semesters you plan to study at Otago.

otago.ac.nz/courses/subjects/index



Essential information

Code of Practice

The University of Otago has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students published by the Ministry of Education. Copies of the code are available on request from this institution or from the Ministry of Education website:

minedu.govt.nz

Student visa

All study abroad and exchange students need to obtain a student visa prior to arrival in New Zealand as a condition of enrolment at Otago. Full details of visa requirements, advice on rights to employment in New Zealand while studying and reporting requirements are available through the New Zealand Immigration Service, and can be viewed on their website:

immigration.govt.nz

Smoke-free campus

The University’s Dunedin campus is completely smoke-free. This enhances the outstanding campus experience that the University offers its staff and students and is consistent with its mission statement, which sets out Otago’s aim of promoting individuals’ development and wellbeing.

Accident insurance

The Accident Compensation Corporation provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents and temporary visitors to New Zealand, but you may still be liable for all other medical and related costs. Further information can be viewed on the ACC website:

acc.co.nz

Eligibility for health services

International students are not normally entitled to publicly-funded health services while in New Zealand. If you receive medical treatment during your visit you will be liable for the full costs of that treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly-funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health, and can be viewed on its website:

moh.govt.nz

Medical and travel insurance

International students must have comprehensive medical and travel insurance while studying in New Zealand. Enrolment at Otago is conditional on showing evidence of comprehensive insurance. Current instructions and advice on how to obtain adequate cover are located on the Otago website:

otago.ac.nz/international/healthcare

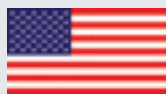
Representative offices

The University has representatives in many countries around the world. These representatives can help you with your application to Otago and provide advice on the general requirements for studying abroad. A full listing of representatives can be obtained from the University’s website:

otago.ac.nz/international/agents

Ryan Metzler

Occidental College
United States of America



Fulbright scholar Ryan Metzler knew exactly where he wanted to study for his master's – back at Otago where he had enjoyed an undergraduate study abroad experience that created a lasting impression far beyond satisfying his initial desire for greater independence.

Ryan found support from the Media, Film and Communication Department (MFCO) was inspirational.

“The entire MFCO department left quite a mark on me. Dr Davinia Thornley's indigenous cinema course transformed my interests as a scholar and filmmaker.”

Coming from a smaller American college, Otago's large student population was a surprise. “The Dunedin atmosphere is very lively and spirited, but most importantly, very inclusive. Students are the very soul of Dunedin.”

Ryan made time for South Island travel and rugby – “which pushed me to my absolute physical limits.”

After graduating in the States and winning a Fulbright Award, Ryan returned to Otago for postgraduate study.

“I was very comfortable in Dunedin, especially with the familial bonds I'd established with the University and its staff. While this personal level of comfort was crucial, most importantly, Davinia's research aligned perfectly with my interests.”

After two stints at Otago, Ryan has no regrets. “Both went beyond my expectations. I can't say enough how accommodating my professors were to help me fulfil my research goals.”

Ryan is currently a videographer/editor and research assistant at the University of Pennsylvania and a freelance editor in New York, about to enrol in Boston University's Master of Fine Arts programme.



Hideshi Matsubara

Yokohama National University
Japan



Hideshi Matsubara, who is on exchange from Yokohama National University in Japan, is studying a mix of 200- and 300-level economics papers at Otago, as well as some Mandarin papers “just for fun”.

“It's very good quality teaching here and very easy to understand. If I have a problem I can see a professor in office hours. They're very approachable.”

Outside of study, Hideshi is enjoying experiencing new things. “I've always wanted to play squash but it's not so popular in Japan. There are no squash courts so I gave up on that. Here there's a club.

“I also go to Unipol gym twice a week. This facility is amazing. In Japan it costs a lot of money. Here I can go for free.”

Hideshi has been pleasantly surprised by how easy it has been to meet people at Otago.

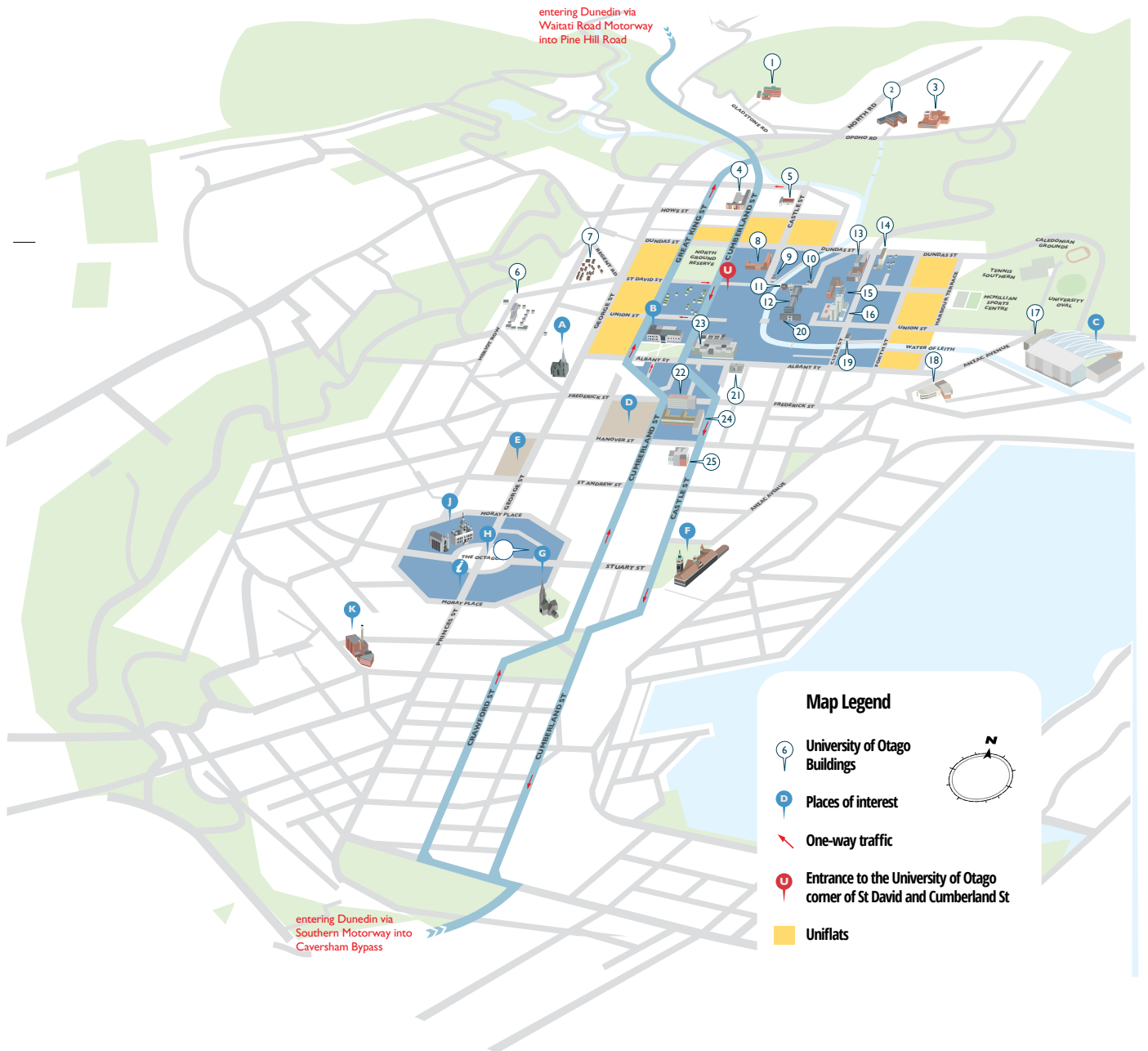
“In my first semester I lived in a University flat close to campus with five other people – three Americans, another Japanese student and our Kiwi host, who answered all my questions about the University. At the beginning I didn't know about anything so it was very helpful,” he says.

“The University flat was a great way to meet people and to improve my English.

“I met a lot of different people through my University flat and also through being in the Japanese Society. They're great ways to meet Kiwis.”



Dunedin map



Residential colleges

- 5 Abbey College (postgraduate)
– 900 Cumberland St
- 1 Aquinas College – 74 Gladstone Rd
- 13 Arana College – 110 Clyde St
- 6 Carrington College – 57 Heriot Row
- 4 City College – 911 Cumberland St
- 24 Cumberland College – 250 Castle St
- 22 Hayward College – 110 Frederick St
- 3 Knox College – Knox St
- 15 St Margaret's College – 333 Leith St
- 2 Salmond College – 19 Knox St
- 8 Selwyn College – 560 Castle St
- 14 Studholme College – 127 Clyde St
- 25 Te Rangi Hiroa College – 192 Castle St
- 7 Toroa College – 8 Regent Rd
- 16 University College – 315 Leith Walk

Campus facilities

- 10 Student Accommodation Centre
- 12 Clocktower – Registry Building
- 23 Disability Information and Support
- 18 Hocken Collections
- 23 Information Services Building / Central Library
- 20 International Office – Archway West Building
- 9 Māori Centre – Te Huka Mātauraka
- 21 OUSA Recreation Centre
- 19 Pacific Islands Centre
- 11 Schools' Liaison Office – Scott/Shand House
- 17 Unipol Recreation Centre / Language Centre and Foundation Year

Places of interest

- A Knox Church
- B Otago Museum
- C Forsyth Barr Stadium
- D Hospital
- E Shopping Malls
- F Railway Station
- G First Church
- H Octagon
- I Visitor Information Centre
- J St Paul's Cathedral / Municipal Chambers
- K Speight's Brewery





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