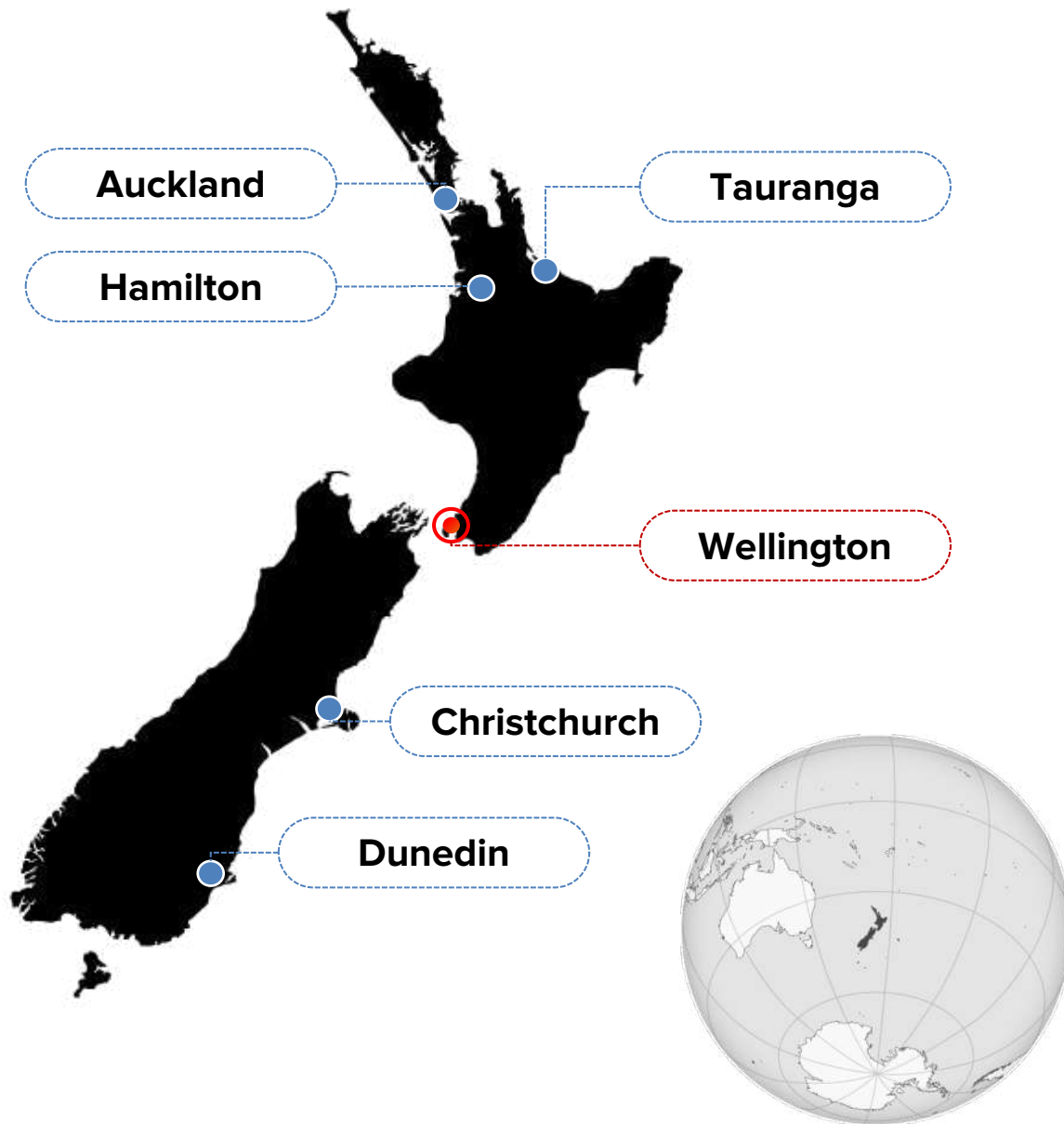






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NEW ZEALAND (NZ)



Similar in size to Japan or the UK



Diverse population of approx. 5 million



English-speaking democracy



Frequently highly ranked in international comparisons of national performance

(ie. quality of life, education, protection of civil liberties, government transparency, economic freedom, etc.)



Flight times (approx.)

- Singapore to New Zealand = 11 hours
- USA (Los Angeles) to New Zealand = 12 hours
- Australia (Sydney) to New Zealand = 3.5 hours
- Auckland-Wellington = 45 min.
- Christchurch-Wellington = 45 min



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WELLINGTON



Capital city of NZ



500,000 people live in the Wellington region



Approx. 25% of Wellington's population was born overseas



Compact city – easy to get around



Reliable public transport system



Southernmost capital in the world



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WELLINGTON



Highest median income in NZ



Temperate marine climate



2,000 sunshine hours each year



“Culinary Capital” & “Coffee Capital” of NZ



50,000 hectare of forests and parks



497 km of coastline (Wellington region)

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Established 1897



Public university



3 campuses across Wellington



22,000 students



3,700 international students from 100+ countries



8 teaching faculties and 27 schools



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30 undergraduate and 140 postgraduate programmes



#1 in NZ for research intensity
(2018 Performance-Based Research Fund)



40+ research institutes



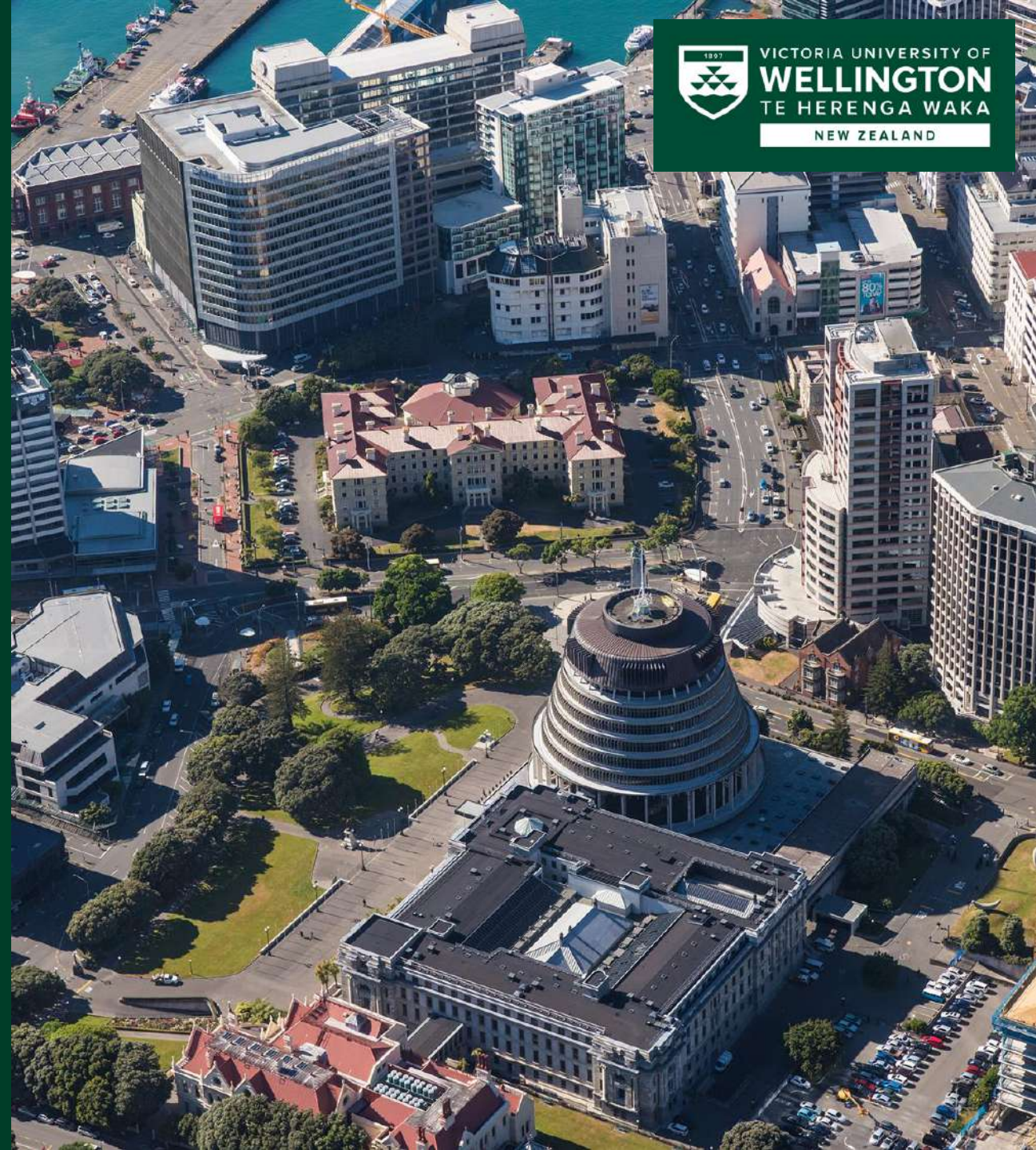
Strong connections to government, industry, and leading national organisations



100+ international partnerships



Commitment to sustainability, diversity and inclusion





Pipitea Campus



Kelburn Campus



Te Aro Campus

Pipitea Campus

- Commerce and Government
- Law

Kelburn Campus

- Education
- Engineering
- Health
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Science

Te Aro Campus

- Architecture
- Design

CAMPUSES



Kelburn

Te Aro



Pipitea



RANKINGS

- Top 100 in the world in 12 subjects and Top 1% in 19 subject areas (2020 QS World University Rankings by Subject)
- Top 2% of the world's 18,000 universities overall (2020 QS Ranking #223)
- NZ's top-ranked university for research intensity (2018 Performance-Based Research Fund)



ACCREDITATIONS

Business School – Triple Crown

- EQUIS
- AACSB (Business)
- AMBA

Accounting

- Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ)
- CPA Australia
- Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)
- Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)

Tourism Management

Tourism Education Quality (TedQual) Certification by the United Nations World Tourism Organisation

Government

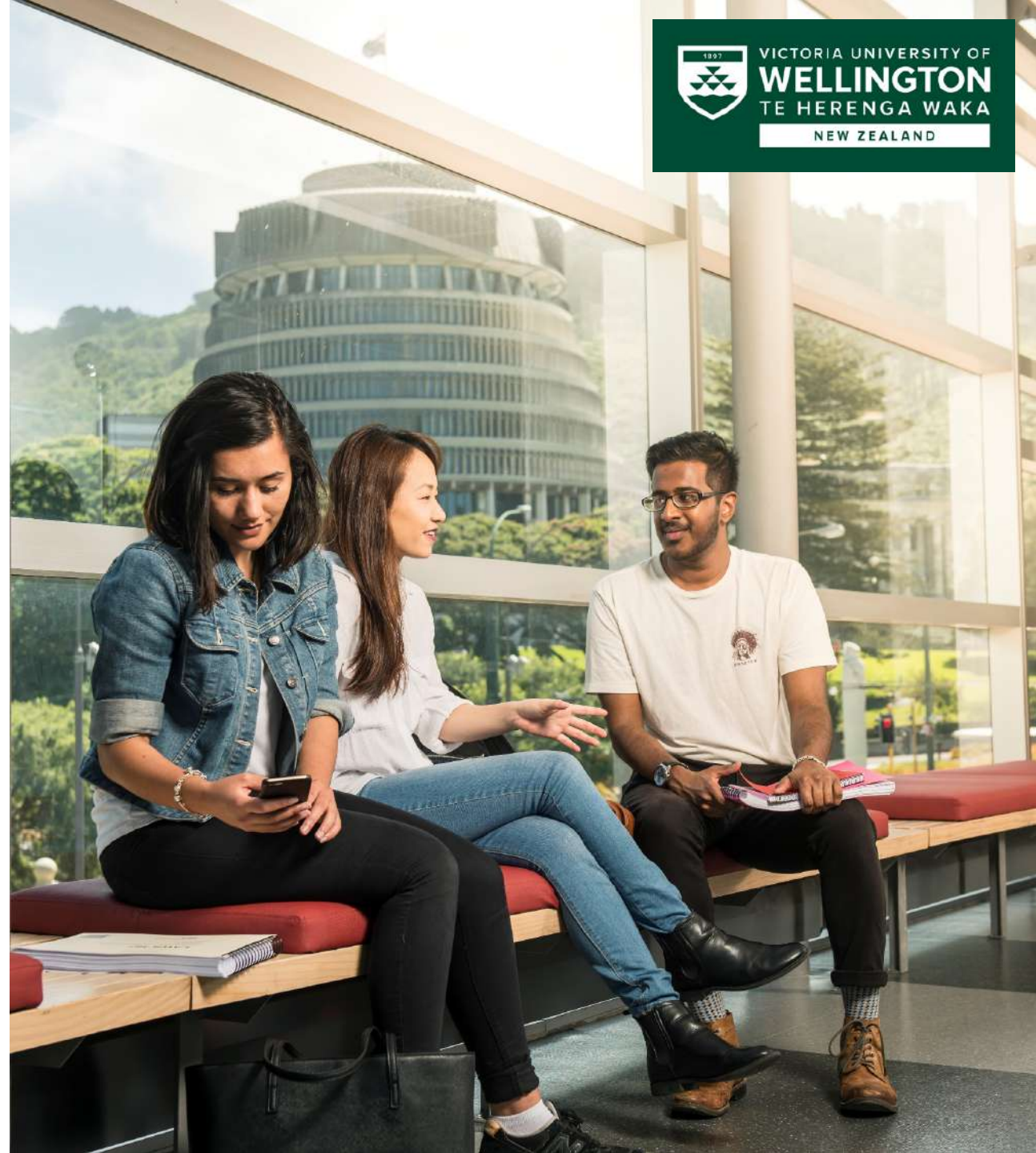
Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA)

Engineering

Engineering New Zealand under the Washington Accord

Software Engineering

Engineering New Zealand and IT Professionals under the Seoul Accord



STUDY OPTIONS (a selection)



Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Including Communication, Criminology, Film, International Relations, Linguistics, Media Studies, Music, Political Science, Psychology, Public Policy, Sociology,...



Faculty of Science

Including Biology, Biomedical Science, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Data Science, Development Studies, Ecology and Biodiversity, Environmental Science, Human Genetics, Marine Biology, Molecular Pathology, Physics, Renewable Energy,...



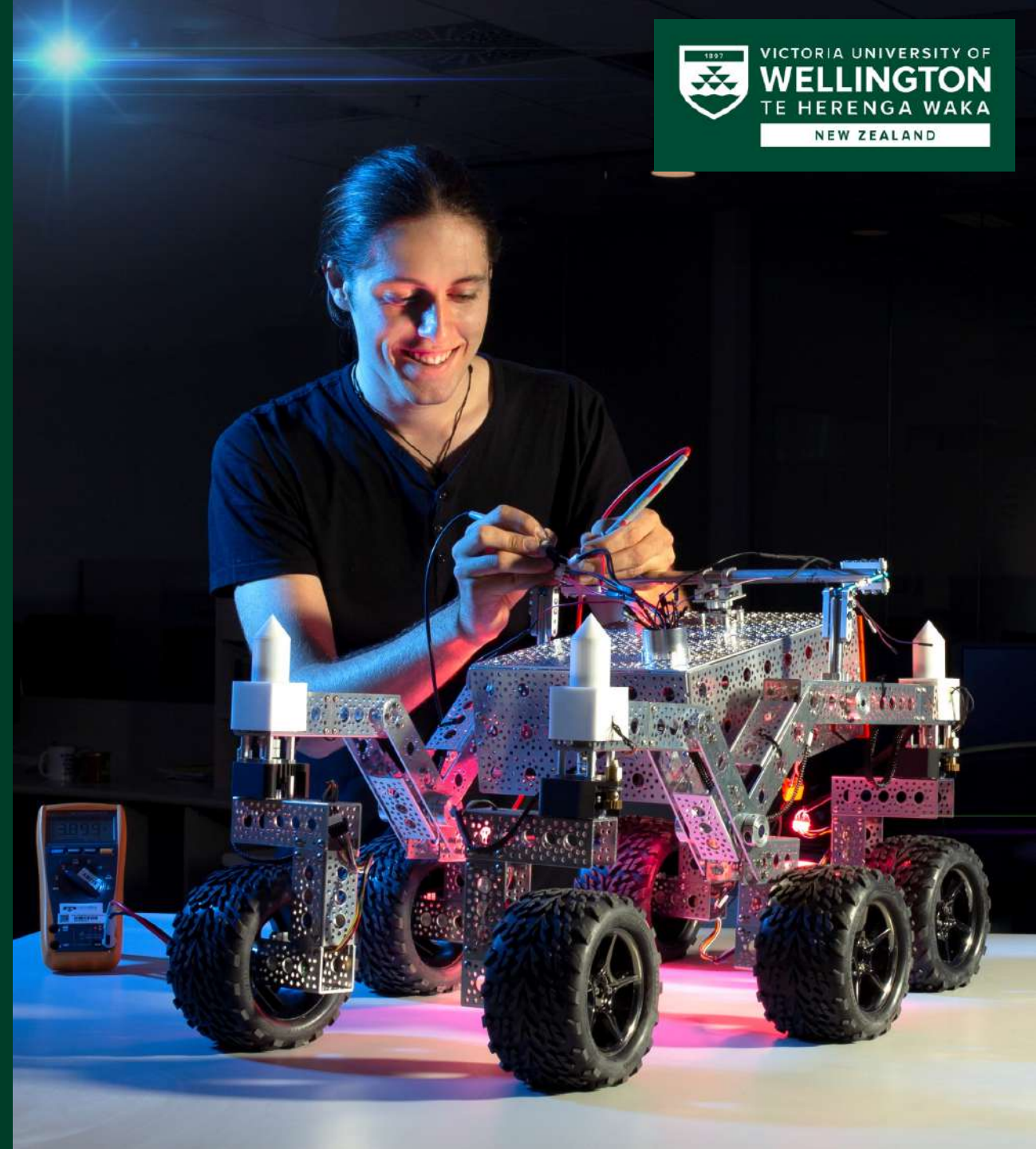
Faculty of Engineering

Including Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Cybersecurity Engineering, Software Engineering, Artificial Intelligence...



Faculty of Health

Including Population Health, Policy and Service Delivery, Health Promotion, Health Psychology, Health Informatics,...



STUDY OPTIONS (a selection)



Faculty of Commerce

Including Accounting, Actuarial Science, Commerce, HR, International Business, Marketing, Tourism Management,...



Faculty of Architecture and Design

Including Architecture, Interior + Landscape Architecture, Project Management, Sustainable Engineering Systems, Animation and Visual Effects, Industrial Design, Media Design,...



Faculty of Education

Including Early Childhood Education, Primary Education, Secondary Education, Educational Psychology,...



Faculty of Law

Including Law, International Trade,...





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PHD STUDIES

PhD / Doctoral Programmes

- Usually completed within 3-4 years
- PhDs in NZ are research only
- Three application rounds per year
(students must apply before 1 March, 1 July or 1 November)

Why PhD in NZ?

- International PhD students only pay domestic fees
- PhD students usually get full-time work rights, partner gets open work visa and children get enrolled as domestic students in NZ state schools

Why PhD at Victoria University of Wellington?

- Easy online application system
- No need to identify supervisor (supervisor will be matched with applicant)
- Expression of Research Interest for initial application (full research proposal is written with supervisor in first year)
- Scholarship opportunity (up to NZ\$23,500 per annum stipend plus domestic tuition fees for up to three years)



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STUDY ABROAD

- Available at undergraduate and postgraduate level
- Students can either select individual courses or select from a pre-designed Specialised Study Abroad package.
- Study Abroad Packages:
 - Business
 - Society and Ethics
 - Biotechnology and Biodiversity
 - Climate, Environment and Biodiscovery
 - Data Science
 - Software and Computing
 - New Zealand and the Pacific Islands
 - Education
 - Creative Arts and Communication
 - Language, Culture and Identity
 - Global Studies
 - Health Studies
- Students usually nominate 6-8 subjects and they eventually study 3-4
- Study time is usually 6 months or 1 year (1 to 2 trimesters)

Points vs. Credits

The value of courses is usually 15 points (3.75 US credits/7.5 ECTS) or 20 points (5 US credits/10 ECTS) – based on recommendations from Victoria University of Wellington



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PATHWAYS

English Proficiency Programme (EPP)

- Three intakes per year – March, July, November
- 12-week programme
- Leads to most undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD programmes

Foundation Studies

- Taught exclusively at UP Education in Wellington
- 6-18-month programmes
- IELTS 4.5 to 6.0
- Guaranteed pathway to undergraduate degree
- Scholarship opportunity for high achievers

Graduate/Postgraduate Diplomas

Graduate and postgraduate diplomas can be a pathway into Master degrees (ie. students want to continue in a field different from their undergraduate major).

Credit Transfer and Exemptions

- If students already have a tertiary-level qualification, or part of one, they can apply for academic credit transfer or exemptions from required courses at the University.
- This might provide students with advanced standing or reduced workload for their study at the University

STUDENT SERVICES AND SUPPORT (a selection)

Arrival Arrangements

Free airport pick-up – every international student is met at Wellington airport by a current student and taken to their accommodation

Health / Wellbeing / Counselling

- Medical centre and pharmacy
- Wellbeing awareness teams and wellbeing workshops
- Counsellors available to discuss personal and academic issues

Recreation

- Recreation centres cater to students' fitness, wellbeing, recreation, and sporting needs.
- Staff available for high-performing athletes who require additional assistance

Visa / Insurance

Visa renewal service (first student visa needs to be done by student or agent) + insurance claim service

Course Advice

Advice on course selection, degrees, career options, academic structures, etc.

Career Development

Connecting students with employers and the community and preparing them for future employment - guidance for job applications, CV's, interview techniques, career Expos

Academic Support + Academic Monitoring

Workshops or one-to-one appointments to enhance writing, reading, research, maths, and general study skills + the international office monitors students' academic progression

Libraries / Language Support

- Library facilities on all campuses - services include research consultations, tours, classes, online subject guides, and tutorials
- Wide range of resources to help students learn their chosen language (Language Learning Centre)

Interest, Conflict and Dispute Resolution

Advice, assistance and guidance around students' safety, studies and interests

Disability Services

Tailored assistance (disability or impairment, mental illness, injury, medical condition or specific learning disability that affects learning, participation or enjoyment at university)

Student Finance

Assistance with paying fees, budgeting and scholarship applications

Accommodation Service

Services around halls of residence, homestays and finding flats

STUDENT EXPERIENCE & DEGREE ENHANCEMENTS

Over 130+ Student Clubs & Societies

Clubs based on faculties, sports, cultures, nationalities, languages and abilities (music, arts, etc.)

Student Exchange

Exchange programme available with the over 100 university partners worldwide.

Inclusion, Diversity and Sustainability

- Commitment to diversity and inclusion through appointed staff to provide services to students from various backgrounds, minorities and religions
- Ambitious plan to become carbon neutral in a not so distant future and to provide services and resources on a sustainable foundation.

Wellington International Leadership Programme

- Focuses on global competency, advances critical thinking and leadership challenges in world affairs
- Tailored version for short-term students – Students receive a certificate and letter of completion

Wellington Plus Programme

- Community volunteering which develops leadership skills & social responsibility
- Tailored version for short-term students – Students receive a certificate and letter of completion



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ACCOMMODATION & LIVING EXPENSES

Accommodation

Halls of Residence

- 9 catered + 5 self-catered halls
- Can cater for almost all dietary requirements
- Alcohol free floors and female only floors (selected halls only)
- Walking distance from campus and the city

Homestay

Students who wish to live in a family environment in New Zealand can stay with a homestay family.

U18 students can choose between homestay and selected halls.

Living Expenses (estimated expenses for one academic year)

- For visa purposes, Immigration New Zealand requires NZ\$15,000
- Realistic for a university student for 40 weeks is NZ\$17,000-20,000 (depending on lifestyle)



SCHOLARSHIPS

Tongarewa Scholarship

NZ\$5,000 or 10,000 for wide range of programmes (holistic consideration with focus on merit)

Wellington International Excellence Scholarship

Up to NZ\$20,000 over three years of study – students must have studied at least one full year at a NZ high school (merit-based)

Study Abroad Scholarship

Up to NZ\$1,000 for Study Abroad Students (holistic consideration)

Featured master's programmes

Automatic fees waiver (specific amount) for selected master's programmes when students meet course entry requirements

A full list of scholarships is available on the website.

VISA & WORK RIGHTS

Working in NZ

The authorising agency for student work rights and post study work visa is Immigration New Zealand.

Student Work Rights

Usually 20 hours per week and full-time during scheduled holidays.

Post Study Work Visa

Completing an undergraduate degree or a postgraduate degree at Victoria University of Wellington paths the way for students to apply for a Post Study Work Visa (3 years) in NZ.

Minimum Wage

Anyone 16 or over who is in employment in NZ must be paid the minimum wage.

Employment Rights

NZ has a comprehensive set of employment laws that help keep workplaces fair.

Helpful Websites

Immigration New Zealand – www.immigration.govt.nz

Information related to visa and work rights in NZ

Study in New Zealand – www.studyinnewzealand.govt.nz

Information related to studying in NZ

NauMai NZ – www.naumainz.studyinnewzealand.govt.nz

Information related to living in NZ as an international student

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT NZ

Government

Parliamentary constitutional monarchy

Languages

Most commonly spoken: English / Official: Maori, NZ Sign Language

Seasons

Summer = Dec – Feb / Winter = Jun – Aug

Time Convention / Time Zone

12-hour (am/pm) system / GMT+13

Currency

NZ Dollar – NZ is a largely cashless society

Population Diversity

74.0% European or European descent / 14.9% Māori / 11.8% Asian or Asian descent / 7.4% Pacific peoples / 1.2% ME/LA/African or descendants / 1.7% Other – figures as of 2013

Driving

Driving side = left

Food

Diverse British-based cuisine, with Mediterranean and Pacific Rim influences

Kiwi

Kiwi = Kiwifruit / Kiwi bird / Kiwi (nickname for New Zealanders)



THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT WELLINGTON (WLG)

City Landscape

WLG is surrounded by a large harbour to the east and the ocean to the south as well as hills to the west and north of the city.

Main Industries and Employers

One of WLG's main employers is the government sector with ministries, government departments and embassies being located in the city. WLG also has a large hospitality and services sector and a thriving arts/design/film industry.

Culture and Nightlife

WLG has a vibrant culture, arts scene and nightlife – mostly concentrated in the city centre

Festivals

World of Wearable Arts, Cuba Street Festivals, Wellington on a Plate, NZ International Comedy Festival, NZ Fringe Festival, etc.

Food and Culinary Culture

WLG offers a wide range of eateries and restaurants (Western, Middle Eastern, Asian) and is the “coffee capital” of NZ

Farmers' Markets

Farmers' markets on Saturday and Sunday offer cheaper vegetable and fruit prices than supermarkets – Kelburn and Pipitea campus also facilitate farmers markets

Info Wellington

Learn more about Wellington at www.wellingtonnz.com





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