



# Massey University



## Study Science Down Under for International Undergraduate Students

### Studying Science at Massey University, New Zealand

Massey University, New Zealand's defining university, provides a broad range of science programmes based around the fundamental sciences, mathematics and statistics. Massey University lies at the heart of New Zealand's North Island and presents an unparalleled opportunity to combine an innovative teaching environment with ready access to the best of New Zealand's cultural and national resources.



### Why Study at Massey University?

Massey University's **Institute of Fundamental Sciences** offers highly regarded teaching programmes in the core subjects, **chemistry, physics, nanoscience, mathematics** and **statistics** whilst the university provides opportunities to explore the applications of science in subjects as disparate as veterinary medicine to earth sciences. The programmes are built on the foundations of teaching excellence and informed by staff who are recognised research leaders, with four Fellows of the Royal Society of New Zealand and numerous medal winners. As a result, many of our graduates proceed onto postgraduate studies both at Massey and at top ranked international institutions as well as onto rewarding careers.

### Where is Massey University?

The Massey University's Palmerston North campus is widely recognised as one of the most attractive campuses in New Zealand. A new student union building was completed in 2007 with new accommodation facilities completed in 2008 providing a modern and attractive environment for first year students. Palmerston North is centrally located in the



North Island within a few hours drive of the ski-fields of Mt Ruapehu, New Zealand's capital city, Wellington, the beaches of Taranaki, the Hawkes Bay and Martinborough wineries. Palmerston North has its own airport with regular flights to all major centres within New Zealand (Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch).

## What will it cost?

Students in New Zealand generally pay tuition fees on a 'per paper' basis, with International Students required to enroll full-time whilst in New Zealand. A full year entails eight (8) papers and costs NZ\$ 19,000 – 23,000 per annum in tuition fees. Students are also required to pay non-tuition fees that cover administrative charges, Recreation Centre levy and a Student Association fee.

The cost of living in New Zealand is generally lower than most developed countries but students still need to plan carefully to have sufficient money to cover their accommodation and daily living expenses, such as food, telephone and electricity, recreational activities, medical and travel insurance, and other personal needs. It is estimated students will need on average NZ\$280 to \$400 per week to cover their living expenses while studying in New Zealand.

## When will I start?

The New Zealand academic year is different to that of the Northern Hemisphere, running from late February to November. In 2011, semester 1 starts on 28th February.

Applying for a Student Visa to study in New Zealand is not difficult but can take between 2 and 6 weeks. International students should remember to book a connecting flight from Auckland (or Wellington) to Palmerston North and that they must have a return airfare from New Zealand.

For more information or answers to queries, please email [StudyScienceDownUnder@massey.ac.nz](mailto:StudyScienceDownUnder@massey.ac.nz).

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