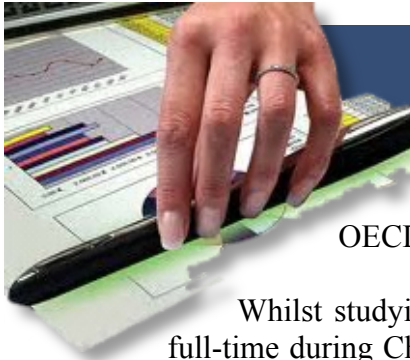


Study-to-Residence Pathway



You or your partner can consider studying in New Zealand. Studying in New Zealand allows you to gain a qualification that is recognised by OECD countries and the education is world-class.

Whilst studying, the student is allowed to work 20 hours per week during the school term and full-time during Christmas holiday. After one year of study, the student will be eligible to apply for a 1-Year Job Search Open Work Visa

(Please find below the courses that allow 1-Year Job Search Open Work Visa).

This allows the student to gain practical experience relevant to his qualification or work experience. Once you are given a job offer relevant to your qualification or work experience, you can now apply for residence visa under the Skilled Migrant Category

An additional 50 points could be claimed for offer of skilled employment. Further bonus points could be claimed for completing recognised bachelor degree or post-graduate New Zealand qualification or if the qualification is in an identified future growth area or in an area of absolute skill shortage.



Whilst on a Job Search Work Visa, the partner will also be granted a 1-year open work visa as partner of the student who has gained a qualification in New Zealand. Both open work visas, for the student who has completed a qualification and the partner, entitle them to work in an unspecified occupation for an unspecified employer; although it is best that the graduate will find a skilled employment.

To qualify for Job Search Work visa, student will need to have obtained a recognised New Zealand qualification of at least two academic years' (a minimum of four semesters and 16 months total) duration or:



- a postgraduate qualification of at least one academic year's duration
- a credit-transferred bachelor's degree with at least one years study in New Zealand (previously announced), or
- any level seven qualification of at least one academic year's duration (including level 7 diplomas and graduate qualifications), or
- two SMC points-accruing (level four to six) qualifications in succession of at least one academic year's duration each, provided the second course is at a higher level - e.g. a one-year level five qualification followed by a one-year level six qualification.

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