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C O L L E G E

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students are welcomed at Nelson College from countries throughout the world. You may apply to study at Nelson College if:

- You want to study for a year or more
- You want to study for New Zealand qualifications
- You want to prepare for entrance into a New Zealand University or Polytechnic
- You want to do a short term course
- You want to learn English
- You want to experience a New Zealand secondary school and the New Zealand way of life

On application you are asked to supply

- A completed application form.
- A photo of yourself.
- A statement written by you about why you wish to study at Nelson College.
- Copies of your school reports.
- Two character (personal) references.
- \$250.00 application fee.

To be successful in your application you are expected to have a **satisfactory academic record**, and **good standards of behaviour and effort** at school. Your English language skills will be assessed when you arrive, and you will be helped to choose an appropriate course of study.

To enter **senior academic courses**, it is important that you meet the required standard of English for the subjects you choose. If you have only limited English, you will need to study in the ESOL Department, until you have developed sufficient language skills to successfully achieve in mainstream courses.

Each application is individually considered.

Once you are accepted you will need to do the following:

- Write a letter to the college confirming your acceptance.
- Complete an accommodation form (either homestay or boarding, depending on where you choose to live).
- Provide proof of financial support. Students must complete either a 'Financial Undertaking for a Student' Form, **or** provide evidence of funds held in the name of the student of \$400 per month ie \$4,800 per year.
- Read and sign the student contract.
- Return all the above documents to the college.

Before you apply for a position at Nelson College please discuss these issues with your family.

- You cannot own or drive a motor vehicle. This is for your own safety.
- The legal drinking age is 18 years old in New Zealand. If you choose to study at Nelson College you cannot drink alcohol.
- You MUST wear the correct uniform.
- You MUST attend all timetabled classes.
- Smoking is not acceptable in most New Zealand homes.