Study Abroad 2023–2024

Take a New Look at Canterbury

Kia ora. Kōkiri mai rā e ngā mana puipuiaki, e ngā reo tongarerewa ki Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha. Piki mai, kake mai! Kia ora e te whānau.

Study Abroad at UC
Study at a world class university, with the South Island’s breathtaking landscapes and unlimited outdoor adventure on your doorstep.

Experiential Offer
As we celebrate our 150th anniversary in 2023, we’re offering a suite of future-focused experiential opportunities to all Study Abroad students, no matter what your area of study. You’ll have access to a range of hands-on opportunities designed to engage with the New Zealand community and help you make an impact in a changing world.

Choose your UC opportunity
Choose from any of the UC opportunities below. The UC opportunities listed are included in your UC Study Abroad programme, at no additional cost, and can be incorporated into any programme of study.

Intern
Gain international work experience and boost your resume.

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Undertake a for-credit internship with UC’s PACE 295 internship course. Internship students work with a local New Zealand business or organization to gain experience in a professional setting and develop key employability skills.

• Choose from PACE 295 internship (15 points) or PACE 395 (30 points)
• Receive support from specialist staff at UC
• Participate in personal development seminars throughout the programme
• Earn UC credit for your internship
Sustain
We’re serious about sustainability — UC is ranked first in the world in the 2022 Times Higher Education Impact Rankings for SDG 12 Responsible Consumption and Production. Join us to lead and create global connections in a time of rapid change.

- Select from a range of courses with a sustainability focus including those from UC’s Bachelor of Social and Environmental Sustainability, New Zealand’s first undergraduate sustainability degree. There are courses for a range of interest areas, from sustainable business to indigenous knowledge and sustainable partnerships, social action and more.
- Volunteer and network as part of UC’s sustainability community, engage with UC’s community gardens or join one of the many eco clubs on campus.
- Engage in field work in a number of science courses offering the opportunity for hands-on study in the South Island’s unique natural environment.

Change
You’re already exploring the world, now change it. Our impact innovation opportunities are designed to help today’s changemakers make an impact in their community and beyond.

Impact Innovation opportunities:

Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Study INOV 290 Enterprise in Practice (Semester 2), a for-credit project based course where you’ll build your entrepreneurial skills developing a concept solution for a start up, local business or social enterprise.
- Innovate and develop your creativity at UC’s Centre for Entrepreneurship, which offers real world challenges and bootcamps to encourage entrepreneurial discovery.

Community leadership and engagement
- Undertake Service Learning in CHCH 101 (Semester 1), a for-credit course including up to 20 hours of hands-on community service.
- Volunteer with UC’s renowned Student Volunteer Army on a range of projects and learn how to make an impact in your community.

Explore
As we celebrate UC’s 150th anniversary year, we want to help you get out and explore our place, Ōtautahi Christchurch and its surrounds. Discover the unique natural environment and heritage of Christchurch and Waitaha Canterbury.

UC offers Study Abroad students the choice of one free activity from the list below during your Study Abroad semester.

- Dolphin nature cruise
- Wildlife sea-kayaking safari
- Zipline tour
- Surfing lesson
- Waka on the Avon river and introduction to Te ao Māori

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