



Certificate in Land Skills (Level 2)



Domestic fee: Free Fees

International fee: To be confirmed

Compulsory student levy >
StudyLink >

*Fees are approximate, subject to change and exchange rates

Location	Dunedin
Duration	9 weeks full-time
Delivery	On campus at Otago Polytechnic with some work placement time off-site

Credits	30
Level	2
Start	May, July and October

Looking for a way to get some hands-on learning and increase your chances of getting a job?

This programme has a great mix of study and hands-on experience and will give you the skills you need to work in farming, agriculture, horticulture, conservation or other outdoor-related areas.

You'll take part in practical workshops at Otago Polytechnic, undertake 150 hours of authentic work experience, volunteer in the community, explore your own study style and potential work options, learn about Health and Safety and build your employability skills (reading, writing, numeracy, digital literacy and the use of Te Reo).

With small class sizes and very supportive staff, take advantage of the chance to upskill in a way that suits you.

And, if you're keen to keep learning once you finish this programme, we provide plenty of options for further study in trades, farming, conservation and outdoor, practical work.

Entry requirements

> There are no academic entry requirements.

Selection criteria

> You'll need to have a meeting with a staff member from the Certificate to make sure the programme will meet your needs.

What will I study?

This programme is a great mix of study and hands-on experience. You'll take part in practical workshops, volunteer in the community, undertake 150 hours of work experience, explore your own study style and potential careers, learn about Health and Safety and build your employability skills (reading, writing, numeracy, digital literacy, use of Te Reo).

Please note: Delivery of this training scheme could include Malcam Trust as our sub-contracted partner.

Course and overview	Topics and assessment	Duration
Health and Safety (5 credits) Learn how to apply health and safety practices in a farm-related context	> Managing personal safety and safety of others in rural environments > Safe use and maintenance of hand tools > Responsibility of workers in health and safety, leave, holidays, sick leave, and contracts Assessment > Written assessment > Observation checklist	Weeks 1-8: > 1 day per week in work placement, and > 1/2 day per week at Otago Polytechnic
Employability Skills (15 credits) Gain the employability skills you need to be successful in a farm-related context	> Digital technology, literacy and numeracy in a primary industry context (budgets, taxes, Kiwi Saver, loans) > Skills required for employment in primary workplaces and pathways to development > Career planning, CVs and interview skills Assessment > e-Portfolio	Weeks 1-8: > 1.5 days per week
Practical Skills (10 credits) Demonstrate practical skills in a farm-related context	> Placement at plant nursery, farm or on conservation/biodiversity projects or any other outdoor practical work experience setting (specific work tasks will be seasonal and depend on workplace priorities) > One week conservation work-based week Assessment > Observation checklists for placement providers (assessed and moderated by Otago Polytechnic staff)	Weeks 1-8: > Two days per week Week 9 > One week

Additional costs

Safety gear and protective clothing will be provided by Otago Polytechnic when necessary.

Further study options

Get further training in farming, agriculture, horticulture or conservation with our New Zealand Certificate in Foundation Skills (Level 2) or New Zealand Certificate in Study and Career Preparation (Level 3).

Student loans and allowances

Domestic students (only) will be eligible to go onto the Job Seeker benefit through Work and Income NZ. You will need to apply for this on an individual basis.

Disclaimer

While every effort is made to ensure that this sheet is accurate, Otago Polytechnic reserves the right to amend, alter or withdraw any of the contained information. The fees shown in this document are indicative ONLY. Both domestic and international fees are subject to change and are dependent on the development and implementation of Government policies. Please note that additional fees may from time to time be required for external examination, NZQA fees and/or additional material fees.

International **+64 3 477 3014**
 New Zealand **0800 762 786**
 Email **info@op.ac.nz**

Dunedin Campus
 Forth Street, Dunedin
 Private Bag 1910
 New Zealand 9054

Central Otago Campus
 Corner Erris & Ray Streets
 PO Box 16, Cromwell
 New Zealand 9342

Auckland Campus
 Level 2, 350 Queen Street
 PO Box 5268, Auckland
 New Zealand 1141