



Level 3 Nursery Production (industry-based)



Location Online and in your workplace
Duration One to two years part-time

Credits 70
Level 3
Start Anytime
Apply Anytime

Domestic fee: Free - normally \$4,406!

Due to the Government's Targeted Training and Apprenticeship Fund.

- > You will need a laptop/device to study this programme online which isn't covered by this fund.
- > You can pay for this yourself or apply for a student loan via Studylink.

This programme is **not** available to international students

Compulsory student levy >
StudyLink >

*Fees are approximate, subject to change and exchange rates

Further develop the fundamental skills and knowledge required of horticulturists in the nursery sector while you work.

A 50/50 mix of theoretical and practical studies, this programme is for domestic students only and you must be working within the nursery industry to undertake it.

It provides the perfect opportunity for you to upskill via online learning whilst using your workplace as a setting to practice your developing skills.

Successful graduates will receive the New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture (**Level 3**) (Nursery Production).

Skills required

- > An enjoyment of working outdoors
- > Physical fitness
- > Planning and organisational skills
- > Good communication skills
- > An eye for detail.

Entry requirements

- > Open entry.

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> If English is not your first language, you must provide:

- > New Zealand University Entrance OR
- > Overall Academic IELTS 5.5 with no individual band score lower than 5.0 (achieved in one test completed in the last two years), OR
- > Acceptable alternative evidence of the required IELTS (see here for NZQA proficiency table and

here for list of recognised proficiency tests).

If you need to improve your English Language skills, we offer a wide range of English programmes.

You will study

This programme is based in your workplace with regular visits from your programme facilitator. You will also have the opportunity to attend some block courses at the Central Campus. You will build your experience and knowledge of the techniques required to propagate and grow commercial nursery crops, as well as identifying, naming and selecting plants for a range of sites. The courses in this programme include:

- > Communication (10 credits)
- > Nursery Plant Care (15 credits)
- > Plant Identification and Selection (15 credits)
- > Propagation (15 credits)
- > Plant Science (15 credits).

Your workload

You should expect to spend a minimum of 10 hours a week on this programme.

Further study options

Advance your knowledge with our online New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture Production (Level 4) (Fruit Production).

Student loans with TTAF

The Trades and Apprenticeship Fund (TTAF) covers tuition fees and compulsory costs such as student levies.

You also need a laptop or device to study this programme online. **The fund will not cover this cost.** You can either pay for this yourself or apply for a student loan (course-related cost component) through Studylink.

It is important to apply for your student loan/allowance at the same time as you apply for this programme, due to the length of time Studylink take to process. Loan/allowance applications can be cancelled at any time if you decide to withdraw your programme application or if it is unsuccessful.

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