EXPERIENCE NEW ZEALAND

Paid Work and Study

Emphasis

Our Paid Work and Study programs (formerly OPUS English) allow you to improve your English skills during a 5, 6 or 8 month Intensive Academic Semester or Year and combine your studies with part-time paid work; or, come to New Zealand on a Working Holiday visa, study for 12 weeks and then spend the rest of your time traveling and working full-time. Our dedicated Paid Work and Study Manager will pre-screen students, test their English language level and assess their approach to work to ensure that students are ready and well-suited for work in their chosen location. Students accepted onto the program will benefit from one-on-one or group coaching and individual meeting preparation, application support and assistance with the official requirements to start work.

This service can help you if:

• You want to live and work and have the opportunity to improve your language skills in an English-speaking country
• You would like to enhance your CV and at the same time gain work experience
• You would like to earn some money while in New Zealand
• You want to make new friends and immerse yourself in a different culture
• You do not want to pay a job placement fee! Our services are included in your tuition fees.
• You want to get training and tips from a local expert

Kaplan International Auckland is an New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) Category 1 provider. This means that:
• Students studying 14+ weeks on a student visa may work 20 hours per week
• No IELTS or further language proficiency is required

PAID WORK & STUDY COURSE FACTS

Start Dates  
Every Monday

Location  
Auckland, New Zealand

8 Month Program  
32 weeks English + job placement assistance (3 meetings)*  
Visa requirement Student Visa  
Minimum work period 16 weeks  
Minimum English entry level Lower Intermediate

6 Month Program  
24 weeks English + job placement assistance (3 meetings)*  
Visa requirement Student Visa**  
Minimum work period 14 weeks  
Minimum English entry level Intermediate

5 Month Program  
20 weeks English + job placement assistance (3 meetings)*  
Visa Requirement Student Visa**  
Minimum work period 14 weeks  
Minimum English entry level Higher Intermediate

Working Holiday (WHV)  
12+ weeks English + job placement assistance (3 meetings)*  
Visa requirement Working Holiday Visa  
Minimum English entry level Intermediate

Recommended ages  
18-30

*Please note meetings can take the form of trials or informal chats.  
**For some countries, it may be possible to study on a Working Holiday Visa. Please check NZ Immigration website: http://www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/stream/work/workingholiday/ or contact Kate Gomm, OPUS Manager, Kaplan Auckland
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Eligibility to Work
Paid Work & Study students should have a valid student visa (8, 6 or 5 month programs) or a working holiday visa (WHV) prior to starting their job placement in New Zealand.

Students on Working Holiday must be prepared to travel to locations outside of Auckland for work.

Job Placement Assistance
Our dedicated Paid Work and Study Manager will provide you with guidance and support throughout your program. Together you will aim to find a maximum of 3 job meetings*, although it will be your responsibility to secure the job. In addition to supporting you with CV, interview preparation and job applications, your Paid Work & Study Manager will assist you in applying for a tax number, required for all workers in New Zealand.

The paid work placements available are based on the demands of the current job market and are entry level positions. Paid Work & Study Working Holiday Visa students must be prepared to work in any job and in some cases to move to another region.

Jobs in winter months (May - August) can be in shorter supply.

How to apply for Paid Work and Study:
1. Request and complete an application form from your Kaplan representative
2. You will then be sent a free English test to let you know your current level of English
3. Send us an electronic version of your CV (in English) along with a covering letter and 2 references from previous employers
4. We will then arrange a skype interview to test your spoken English
5. Once we have received payment of the program and any accommodation, we will send you a booking confirmation and Letter of Acceptance so that you can apply for your visa.

* Meetings can take the form of trials or casual chats.

EXAMPLE JOBS

5, 6 and 8 month program
• Waiters/Waitresses
• Bar staff
• Café and Restaurant kitchen hands
• Hotel Staff
• Office/Hotel cleaning

Working Holiday Visa
• Fruit Picking/ Farm Work
• Café and Restaurant kitchen hands
• Waiters / Waitresses

Previous experience maybe required for some roles and will enable you to secure a job in a faster time frame.

Your Responsibilities
So that we can help you succeed in your goals we ask that all Paid Work & Study students fulfill the following commitments:
• Maintain 80% attendance in all English classes
• Work alongside your Paid Work & Study Manager to achieve maximum job placement success
• Attend all job training sessions and arranged meetings
• Accept jobs where a position is available
• Be willing to work evenings and weekends
• Be prepared to work in labour intensive jobs such as fruit picking (Paid Work & Study WHV only)
• Comply with employer’s specific employment conditions.