University of Waikato, New Zealand
Hamilton, New Zealand (Australia & New Zealand)

Quick Facts

Fall 2021 [ Cancelled ]
Dates: July 4, 2020 – November 6, 2020
Application Deadline: May 1
Costs: $10,100 CCIS Member | $10,500 Non-Member

Spring 2021
Dates: February 20, 2021 – June 26, 2021
Application Deadline: September 15
Costs: $10,600 CCIS Member | $11,100 Non-Member

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Program Overview

CCIS students at the University of Waikato love the relaxed atmosphere of the Waikato campus and the city of Hamilton. With a population of 150,000, Hamilton is New Zealand's fourth largest city and is well served with parks, gardens, and scenic river walks. The city has an active music, art, and café culture, all with a distinctly New Zealand and Pacific flavor.
The Waikato region offers many of New Zealand's major outdoor attractions less than one and a half hours drive from the University. Popular among them include excellent surfing and swimming beaches, forest parks, lakes, thermal pools, and limestone caves. The major North Island's mountain ski areas are only three hours away.

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**Academics & Program**

**The University of Waikato in Hamilton**

The University of Waikato is internationally recognized for the variety and high quality of its educational programs. Located in the relaxed and scenic city of Hamilton on the North Island, the beautiful campus of the University of Waikato stretches out over 166 acres of picturesque grounds, with extensive recreational areas surrounding three lakes. The name “Waikato” is a Maori word meaning “running water”, and is the name of both the local province and the river running through Hamilton. The Maori character on campus provides cultural richness and diversity and is an important aspect of Waikato’s overall identity. There are 12,500 enrolled students at Waikato, and 2,000 of these are international students. Students came from over 60 different countries, bringing together cultures and experiences from around the world.
Course Offerings

Waikato students choose from the following different faculties: Arts and Social Sciences, Business, Education, Science and Engineering, Computing and Mathematical Science, Law, Maori and Indigenous Studies, and Health Sport and Human Performance. Specific courses offered by the university include film, history, chemistry, physics, mathematics, foreign languages, anthropology, biotechnology, media and communication, international business, psychology, education, Maori language and culture, environmental sciences, fresh water ecology, and more.

Junior and senior business students studying at Waikato University can participate in a management internship for course credit. This internship will provide selected students with the opportunity to gain practical work experience and apply their theory-based knowledge in an organizational setting. In addition to the management internship, CCIS Waikato program participants also have the opportunity to conduct a science research project with a Waikato faculty member. Students interested in participating in the Waikato business internship course or conducting a science research project should let the CCIS program advisor know when submitting their application.

For more course information, visit: http://papers.waikato.ac.nz/

Academic Highlights

Waikato’s Management School is internationally recognized as one of the best Business Schools in the Southern Hemisphere and has earned Triple Crown accreditation status. Courses concerning Maori and Indigenous Studies are especially popular with CCIS students. The University of Waikato is the only institution with a full faculty in Maori and Indigenous Studies and is acknowledged as New Zealand's premier school of indigenous issues. Environmental Science is one of Waikato's academic strengths, and very popular with study abroad students. The University of Waikato is also both strong in sciences and other humanities offering degrees in Biotechnology, Biology, Media and Communication, Psychology, Education, and more.

Student Life & Housing

Student Life

Many of New Zealand’s world-renowned adventure activities are nearby, giving students the opportunity to both succeed in their studies and appreciate a lifestyle unique to New Zealand. Inexpensive day trips are regularly organized by the International Center. These activities and excursions include such as activities as bungee jumping, whitewater rafting, sea kayaking weekends and Maori cultural performances. The university Recreation Center is large and fully equipped and there are sports facilities scattered throughout the city. Students have many choices in sport and recreation. Particularly popular are the nationally followed sports of rugby, netball, and cricket. Hiking, surfing, caving, horse racing, boating, rowing, kayaking, fishing, golf, snow skiing and white water rafting are just a few activities enjoyed locally. The Student Centre has an information desk where you can drop in to see an international student advisor, sign up for trips, get your discounted student bus pass, and complimentary computer kiosks with internet.

Housing

On-campus accommodations are guaranteed for CCIS students if they apply within the housing deadlines. All on-campus housing includes private rooms. On-campus housing options range from fully catered Residence Halls to self-catered and fully furnished apartments and cottage style units where students cook for themselves. In addition, off-campus accommodations include houses, apartments and private board. Housing applications must be submitted by the following dates to guarantee accommodation: Spring Semester - January 15; Fall Semester - June 1.
Duration & Costs

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* *Please note there is a $400 non-refundable deposit due 2 weeks after official acceptance.

Costs Included: tuition, fees, CISI insurance, New Zealand student health insurance; arrival airport shuttle if arranged ahead

Costs Not Included: room and board (costs depend on housing and meals or “catering” options student selects), books (estimate of 100 - 500 New Zealand dollars per term), laundry, personal expenses, local transportation

All costs, fees, and dates are subject to change without notification. Contact the program sponsor to verify all costs, fees, and dates for this program.

Please refer to your acceptance materials for information on arrival, orientation, and academic calendar. The refund policy is program specific and non-transferable. Refer to your acceptance materials for the comprehensive refund policy or contact the program sponsor.

Eligibility & Deadlines

Application Deadlines

Spring Semester: September 15

Fall Semester: May 1

Eligibility Requirements

Minimum GPA: Students must have at least a 2.8 GPA

Minimum class standing: Students must have sophomore status to be eligible for the program. Community college applicants must have completed the requirements for an associate’s degree before the start of the program.

Have you talked with your study abroad advisor about your home institution's application process? Your institution’s deadline might be earlier than the CCIS program application deadline. Check now to make sure all of your material is submitted on time!

Refund Policy

31 or more days prior to first day of orientation: 100% (minus $400.00 deposit)
30 days or less prior to first day of orientation: 75% (minus $400.00 deposit)
After departure but prior to first day of classes: 50% (minus $400.00 deposit)
After first day of classes any refund will be determined after consultation with host institution (minus $400.00 deposit).