



# MĀORI & PASIFIKA TRADES TRAINING

## Scholarship Guide



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Ākonga Māori and Pacific looking to learn a trade can apply for a Māori and Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) scholarship to cover full fees and course-related costs.

## Tautoko while studying

Māori and Pasifika Trades Training scholarship students are supported at both Whitireia and WelTec through the Tamaiti Whāngai team.

The Tamaiti Whāngai team will support you with mentoring, goal setting, pastoral and cultural support. You'll have the opportunity to get your drivers license and first aid certificates. The dedicated Tamaiti Whāngai Job Brokers have close links with employers and industry and will assist you to find an apprenticeship and/or employment.

Programmes where you can get a Māori and Pasifika Trades Training scholarship include: Automotive, Bakery, Cookery, Collision Repair, Construction, Electrical Engineering, Hairdressing, Makeup and Skincare, Plumbing, Gasfitting and Drainlaying, Painting and Decorating, and Tiling.

## Scholarship criteria

You need to meet the entry criteria for the programme you are enrolling in and be:

- of Māori or Pacific descent
- 16-40 years old at the start of your study
- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- able to meet the entry requirements for your programme

We want you to be passionate and show that you are motivated to succeed.

## Get in touch

✉ [tw@weltec.ac.nz](mailto:tw@weltec.ac.nz)

📄 Find out more and apply online:



We thank our iwi partners, Te Rūnanga o Te Āti Awa and Ngāti Toa Rangatira as well as our Pasifika partner, Mafutaga Faifeau Samoa for the support they provide to our Māori and Pasifika Trades Training Scholarship students.



# SUPPORT WE OFFER



## Programme selection advice

Not sure what to do or thinking about further study? Contact our Tamaiti Whāngai engagement advisors and kōrero about your options.



## Community support

You will benefit from our connections with iwi Te Rūnanga o Te Āti Awa (including Tamaiti Whangai) and Ngāti Toa Rangatira, the Pasifika community, Industry Training Organisations and employers.



## Social opportunities

Have fun at our sports days and social events. Make new friends.



## Getting ready for work

Prepare for the workforce with the help from our Job Brokers. We can help with CV's, job applications, site safety, drivers licence and first aid certificates.



## Drivers license

Te Rūnanga o Te Āti Awa provide you with the opportunity to get your drivers licence.



## End of course ceremonies

Celebrate your success with your friends and whānau.



### **Petone Campus**

We are here to support the success and participation of Māori students. Working out of the Petone Campus the Tamaiti Whāngai team will provide mentoring, pastoral, cultural and academic support. The team will also provide advocacy internally and externally as required.

There are dedicated spaces to study, hang out and kōrero. Our Petone campus has Te Whare Āwhina for ākonga to come and be amongst peers while providing an area to focus on study.



### **Whitireia Porirua Campus**

Over on the Porirua campus you'll be supported by our Tamaiti Whāngai Engagement Advisor, who will respond to any issues you may have. You can find our Engagement Advisor at the MPTT office, located within the Trades Block.

Ako Ake in the heart of Porirua campus is a dedicated space where ākonga come to be amongst peers. It's a great space to get some study done or even have conversations around study with whānau or teachers.



### **Job Brokers**

Our Tamaiti Whāngai Job Brokers have close with employers and have information of available jobs for Māori and Pacific Trades Training ākonga.

# TRADES

Our trades programmes are designed for all levels, for ākonga (students) who are starting out in the sector, or those in the industry looking to upskill.

Our purpose-built facilities allow ākonga to learn in an environment that mimics real work in the industry, providing them with skills and experience to step into the workforce confidently.

## Career options:

- Carpenter
- Plumber and Gasfitter
- Electrician
- Automotive engineer
- Painter and Decorator
- Tiler
- Plasterer

## Automotive

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### New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Engineering

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 1 year

Discover the basics of automotive engineering. Learn how to use tools to complete basic engineering tasks, perform minor servicing tasks on engines and driveline systems and apply fundamental knowledge by completing tasks on automotive systems including electrical. This programme will set you up to start an automotive engineering apprenticeship.

### New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Learn the fundamental skills suitable for those who wish to enter the automotive refinishing industry. Ākonga will be taught how to repair minor surface damage and prepare vehicle components for the refinishing process in a supervised setting. Completing this programme allows ākonga to start an apprenticeship. Ākonga will learn to follow workplace policies, procedures and relevant regulations to work safely and effectively in the automotive collision repair industry.

### New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Learn the fundamental skills suitable for those who wish to enter the automotive collision repair industry. Ākonga will be taught how to remove and replace vehicle components to repair minor damage in a supervised setting. Completing this programme allows ākonga to start an apprenticeship. Ākonga will learn to follow workplace policies, procedures and relevant regulations to work safely and effectively in the automotive collision repair industry.

## Construction Trades

### New Zealand Certificate in Construction Trade Skills (Carpentry)

📖 Level 3

📍 Whitireia Porirua Campus, Construction Campus Petone

🕒 Full-time: 1 year

Study the certificate in carpentry and get skills that are in high demand. Learn skills that will get you ready to enter the industry as a labourer or an apprentice. You'll learn how to safely use carpentry hand and power tools while carrying out a building project, getting the core skills to enter the industry.

### New Zealand Certificate in Construction Trade Skills (Plastering)

📖 Level 3

📍 Construction Campus Petone

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Develop plastering skills so you can start working in the industry right away. This programme will teach ākonga how to use a variety of plastering compounds and tools for both interior and exterior work. Ākonga will complete practical projects, and gain safe worksite skills in workshops under the supervision of expert tutors.

### New Zealand Certificate in Plumbing, Gasfitting and Drainlaying

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Take the first step in getting ready for an apprenticeship. Learn basic skills and procedures in plumbing, gasfitting and drainlaying by assisting with installations in each area. Learn how to apply ethical and legal practices and how to identify hazards when completing jobs.

### New Zealand Certificate in Construction Trade Skills (Painting and Decorating)

📖 Level 3

📍 Construction Campus Petone

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Get skills to be able to professionally prepare surfaces and paint interior and exterior materials. This programme allows ākonga to practice on real projects, developing skills in painting and decorating. Ākonga will also learn safe worksite skills in preparation for working in the painting industry.

### New Zealand Certificate in Construction Trade Skills (Tiling)

📖 Level 3

📍 Construction Campus Petone

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Get the introductory skills that will set you up as a successful tiler. Develop skills around tiling techniques, including design for indoor and outdoor installations. You'll become familiar working various materials; ceramic tiles, waterproofing membrane, grouts, and tile trims. After qualifying from this programme, ākonga can then go on to an apprenticeship.

### New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Pre-Trade

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 1 year

Study basic electrical practical and theory and start your journey to become a qualified electrician. Learn how to install cables and electrical equipment, along with applying safe working procedures in a supervised setting. Completion of this programme will allow you to enter into an apprenticeship in the electrical industry.



An apprentice at Hawkins Plumbing in Tawa, Natalia loves that her job means working in the community and meeting new people.

Finding university wasn't right for her, Natalia changed paths and enrolled in the Certificate in Plumbing, Gasfitting and Drainlaying at WelTec.

After considering a range of trades qualifications, she felt it was important to show what wāhine are capable of.

The MPTT scholarship helped Natalia in many ways. Funding her programme helped as she was still paying off university debt at the time.

She received quality steel-cap boots which she still uses. The scholarship also helped Natalia get her driver's licence.

No matter what your background is, Natalia believes the trades industry has a place for everyone.

**Natalia, Plumbing**  
MPTT Graduate

# HAIR AND BEAUTY

Our Makeup Artistry, Beauty Therapy, Hairdressing and Barbering programmes will give you the skills needed to confidently enter these exciting industries. Our programmes are taught in environments that mimic salons, barbershops, beauty therapy clinics and parlour's. You'll be taught by tutors who know the industry and know what it takes to become successful in the industry.

## Career options

- Beauty therapist
- Makeup artist
- Makeup counter salesperson
- Barber
- Salon manager
- Beauty therapist
- Hairdresser

## Makeup Artistry

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### New Zealand Certificate in Skin Care and Cosmetics

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 17 weeks

Gain hands-on experience and learn practical skills in skincare routines, maintenance, and both classic and trending makeup techniques. Learn to develop client consultation skills, product knowledge recommendations through an introduction to basic beauty services and other key skills in communication, professionalism, and sales strategies.

This programme is a pathway to study in our Level 4 Makeup Artistry and Hairstyling or Beauty Therapy programmes.

## Hairdressing

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### New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support)

📖 Level 3

📍 Petone Campus,  
Whitireia Porirua Campus

🕒 Full-time: 1 year

Learn essential skills such as shampooing, applying treatments or colours under supervision, as well as styling and reception duties. You'll also be introduced to cutting. Develop experience working as a team member in our salon. Take the opportunity to work on other productions and fashion events.





From a young age, Sophie Tanirau had always liked cutting hair, experimenting with different looks on herself and others. After completing a Gateway programme that had her working at a local salon, Sophie was introduced to everyday life in a hair salon, and her passion for the craft grew. The next year, Sophie enrolled in the Level 3 Hairdressing programme at Whitireia and WelTec, where she was also awarded the Māori and Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) scholarship. Now, Sophie is loving work as a full-time apprentice hairdresser at Balliage Hair Salon in Wellington's busy CBD.

Sophie was encouraged to apply for the MPTT scholarship by a member of the team, just several days into the hairdressing course. The application process required Sophie to answer questions about why she thought she deserved the scholarship, and how it would benefit her. After a meeting with the MPTT team, Sophie was awarded the scholarship.

As well as financial assistance, the MPTT scholarship enables recipients to access mentoring from the MPTT team. Over the course of the year, Sophie was able to pop

in to talk to the team about anything on her mind—from financial strains like transport costs, emotional support, or just a catchup. They provided a welcoming environment and a listening ear to Sophie whenever she needed it.

At the end of the year, Sophie and her mum attended the MPTT graduation alongside other MPTT graduates of trades, hospitality and hair and beauty programmes. Sophie was gifted tools to help her continue to hone her skills and step into the industry with confidence, like hair products, straighteners and curling irons.

Now, Sophie is a full-time apprentice at Balliage Hair Salon. She spends her time cleaning, assisting the hairdressers, washing and styling, and is currently working up to cutting and colouring. As the sole apprentice at the salon, Sophie is grateful to be surrounded by so many talented people who are happy to share their knowledge and experience. "Collectively, almost all of the stylists are training me. I feel grateful to learn from so many skilled hairdressers."

**Sophie, Hairdressing**  
MPTT Graduate

# COOKERY AND BAKERY

Take your first step into the exciting world of the culinary arts and get equipped with everything you need to know in a hands-on purpose-built environment. Come and learn from tutors who are industry professionals.

## Bakery

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### **New Zealand Certificate in Bakery (Generalist)**

📖 Level 4

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 1 year

Gain baking and pâtisserie skills and open a world of job opportunities. Work with doughs, pastries, and decorative mediums to produce sale-ready quality bakery and pâtisserie items. Grow your capability to work as part of a commercial bakery team, by getting real experience in a bakery or pâtisserie environment.

## Cookery

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### **New Zealand Certificate in Cookery**

📖 Level 4

📍 Petone Campus

🕒 Full-time: 1 year  
(3 days per week on-campus)

Take your love of food and all things culinary further with our Certificate in Cookery.

This programme will give you the skills you need to take the first step in starting your professional career as a chef no matter your experience level.

As well as learning culinary techniques, complex dishes, larder, and basic pastry, you'll also gain an understanding of catering operations, nutrition, and sustainable practices.

This programme is offered full-time. If you are employed in a commercial kitchen, we offer a flexible option which recognises your learning on the job; talk with us.

# Māori and Pasifika Trades Training Scholarship Application Form

## Who can apply

You must be:

- Of Māori or Pasifika descent
- 16-40 years of age at the start of your study
- A New Zealand citizen or New Zealand permanent resident
- Able to meet the entry criteria of the programme

## Selection criteria

Applicants will be chosen because they:

- Show a genuine desire to succeed in their chosen trades programme
- Are committed to completing both the practical and theory components of the programme
- Are keen to get employment in one of the industries our programmes prepare students for
- Are committed to Pasifika group, hapū, iwi and/or Māori workforce development

## Selection process

The selection panel will create a shortlist from the information you provide in your scholarship application based on the selection criteria listed above. Shortlisted applicants may be asked to attend an interview.

## Selection conditions

- Scholarships will be awarded on the basis that the information supplied is true and correct. Whitireia and WelTec - a business division of Te Pūkenga can withdraw the scholarship if the information is proved to be inaccurate or incomplete.
- If you turn down the scholarship, or do not accept the scholarship by the required date, the selection panel may offer the scholarship to another applicant. The scholarship is for study in 2026.
- The decision of the selection panel is final.

## How to apply

- Complete an online application for your chosen programme at Whitireia and WelTec | Te Pūkenga.
- Complete this Scholarship Application Form:
  - visit: **[whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/maori-and-pasifika-trades-training](http://whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/maori-and-pasifika-trades-training)**
  - or by returning the printed copy to:
    - Porirua:**  
DX Box SX33459, 3 Wi Neera Drive, Porirua 5022
    - Petone:**  
Private Bag 39803, Lower Hutt 5045

Campus address information can be found at: [whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/our-campuses](http://whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/our-campuses)

## Personal information

Legal surname or family name(s)

Legal first or given name(s)

Preferred name

Street address

Postcode

Date of birth

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year			

Age (at start of programme)

(you must be between 16-40 years of age at the start of your study)

Which iwi or Pasifika group(s) do you belong to?


Email

Home phone

Mobile

## Proposed study

Which programme are you enrolling in?

What job do you want to do?

Please tell us about this job and how the trades programme you have chosen will help you get this job.


What will you do to make sure you successfully complete your study on this trades programme?

*(Describe skills and experiences you have had or will seek that will help you succeed)*


Is there any additional information that you wish the selection panel to consider?


## Acknowledgement and declaration by applicant

I have read and understand the application guidelines and confirm that the information provided by me is true and correct. If successful for a Māori Trades Training Scholarship, **I acknowledge and agree to the following conditions:**

1. Actively attend and engage in my programme of study
2. My progress will be monitored by kaimahi (staff) and if any issues arise, they will be discussed with me
3. On completion of my programme of study, I intend to enter into employment and will be committed to ongoing training via a New Zealand apprenticeship or cadetship

**Signed** *(by applicant)*

**Date**

### I acknowledge that:

The personal information provided in my application is collected by and will be held by Whitireia and WelTec – a business division on Te Pūkenga.

The information provided in my application will be used for the purpose of administering and assessing my application. Failure to provide all the information requested may mean the selection panel is unable to fully consider my application.

My name may appear in reports and publicity material published by Whitireia and WelTec | Te Pūkenga or government agencies if I am successful in receiving a scholarship.

Whitireia and WelTec have agreements with Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Te Rūnanga o Te Āti Awa and Mafutaga Faifeau Samoa to provide work mentoring.

Contact information may be shared with these organisations to enable support to be provided. I have a right under the Privacy Act 2020 to obtain access to and request correction of any personal information held by Whitireia and WelTec regarding myself.

### Refer to Privacy of Information at:

[☞ whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/terms-and-conditions](http://whitireiaweltec.ac.nz/terms-and-conditions)









Māori and Pacific Trades Training team (from left):  
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- 📄 Apply online:

