

## Diploma Entry Requirements

**This information has been put together to give a broad outline of Diploma entry requirements for Mt Roskill Grammar School students sitting NCEA.**

- Entry into diploma level study is usually based on **NCEA Level 2 grades** as opposed to entry into degree level which is based on NCEA Level 3 grades.
- For both levels, there are often English language requirements as well.
- People can also move into diplomas after successfully completing certificate study in a similar area.
- Most institutions expect students to be 16 years old when the course begins.

Diploma qualifications traditionally have been used to **bridge** into degree level study for people without degree entry requirements. People also enter entry level jobs through diploma qualifications.

Diplomas normally require **two years of full-time study**. They are usually registered Level 5 to Level 7.

Some diplomas are called 'National' Diplomas' or 'New Zealand' Diplomas. These titles indicate the course material will be the same throughout New Zealand, no matter who is offering the course.

Example

NZ Diploma of Business

Entry – Minimum of 50 NCEA Level 2 credits in each of three subjects

*The following information was correct as of Dec 03, 2010. Please also check the individual institution's websites and prospectuses.*

**Diploma entry requirements have been documented for the following areas**

Art & Design	Business	Computers/ IT	Construction	Engineering
Hospitality	Maritime	Nursing	Performing Arts	Sport
Tourism & Travel				

NB: A number of private providers offer diplomas as well. Ask the Career Department for more information about private providers and diploma level study.

## Typical Entry Requirements for Diploma level study at large tertiary providers in Auckland.

### ART & DESIGN

#### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

##### ***Diploma in Visual Arts*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

42 NCEA Level 3 credits and portfolio of artwork completed in last 18 months

PLUS proof of English competency

Non native English speakers need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5

### ART & DESIGN

#### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

##### ***Diploma in Jewellery Manufacture & Design*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Level 4 certificate in jewellery techniques, or equivalent.

Includes minimum of 8 NCEA Level 2 English or equivalent

Non native English speakers need IELTS 6 (Academic) with no band under 5.5

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

### ART & DESIGN

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##### ***Diploma in Contemporary Photography*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 60 NCEA Level 2 credits over 4 subjects

Includes minimum of 12 NCEA Level 1 English or equivalent

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

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##### ***Diploma in Contemporary Craft*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

**EXIT AFTER 2 YRS OF DEGREE**

Minimum of NCEA UE and literacy or minimum of 7 Level 3 language rich credits

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

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##### ***Diploma in Graphic Design and Animation*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

**EXIT AFTER 2 YRS OF DEGREE**

Minimum of NCEA UE and literacy or minimum of 7 Level 3 language rich credits

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

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##### ***Diploma in Interior Design Studies*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

**EXIT AFTER 2 YRS OF DEGREE**

Minimum of NCEA UE and literacy or minimum of 7 Level 3 language rich credits

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

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### ***Diploma in Product Design Studies*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

**EXIT AFTER 2 YRS OF DEGREE**

Minimum of NCEA UE and literacy or minimum of 7 Level 3 language rich credits

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

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### ***Diploma in Landscape Design*** (Level 5 – 2 years)

Minimum of 48 NCEA level 2 credits over 4 subjects or equiv

AND minimum of 12 NCEA Level 1 English OR 7 Level 3 English credits

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

**ALSO NEED PORTFOLIO**

## **BUSINESS**

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### ***NZ Diploma of Business: Accounting*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

*This is a national standardised diploma*

50 credits of NCEA Level 2 or higher.

Minimum of 12 credits at Level 2 or higher in each of 3 subjects from the approved list.

Includes minimum of 8 Level 2 credits in English or Te Reo Maori, of which four credits must be in reading and four credits in writing PLUS

Minimum of 14 credits of Level 1 Maths

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***NZ Diploma of Business:*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

#### ***Accounting, Management, Marketing, IT, Tourism***

*This is a national standardised diploma*

50 credits of NCEA Level 2 or higher.

Minimum of 12 credits at Level 2 or higher in each of 3 subjects from the approved list.

Includes minimum of 8 Level 2 credits in English or Te Reo Maori, of which four credits must be in reading and four credits in writing PLUS

Minimum of 14 credits of Level 1 Maths

OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5.

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***Diploma of Business Administration*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

48 NCEA Level 2 credits over 4 subjects or higher

Minimum of 8 Level 2 English credits OR (non English 1<sup>st</sup> Language speakers

IELTS 6.0 Academic with no band under 5.0

**Manukau Institute of Technology**

***Diploma of Business*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Minimum 50 Level 2 credits with at least 12 credits in each of three subjects including minimum of 8 literacy credits at level 2 or higher in English.

OR (non English 1<sup>st</sup> Language speakers IELTS 6.0 Academic with no band under 5.5

**COMPUTERS**

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***Diploma in Applied Computer Systems Engineering*** (Level 6 – 1 year)

Minimum 60 NCEA Level 2 credits in best 4 Level 2 subjects PLUS

Minimum of 12 Level 1 NCEA English credits or 7 Level 3 English credits

OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.0.

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***Diploma in Applied Computer Systems Engineering*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum 60 NCEA Level 2 credits in best 4 Level 2 subjects PLUS

Minimum of 12 Level 1 NCEA English credits or 7 Level 3 English credits

OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.0.

**Manukau Institute of Technology**

***Diploma in Information & Communications Technology*** (Level 5 - 1 year)

Minimum 52 NCEA credits at Level 2, with four credits of reading and 4 of writing.

OR IELTS of 6.5 Academic with no band lower than 6.0

**CONSTRUCTION**

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***Diploma in Applied Technology – Building*** (Level 6 – part time 4 years)

Minimum of 60 credits in best 4 subjects at Level 2, Unitec Level 4 Certificate in Applied Technology or equiv.

AND minimum of 12 NCEA credits in English at level 1, OR 7 NCEA Level 3 English credits OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.0.

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***Diploma in Surveying*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 35 NCEA credits at level 2.

Includes a total of at least 12 credits from a combination of algebra and trigonometry, or equivalent

AND minimum of 8 NCEA credits in English at level 1, OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.5.

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### ***Diploma in Quantity Surveying*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 35 NCEA credits at level 2.

Includes a total of at least 12 credits from a combination of algebra and trigonometry, or equivalent

AND minimum of 8 NCEA credits in English at level 1, OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.5.

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### ***Diploma in Construction Management*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 35 NCEA credits at level 2, including a total of at least 12 credits from a combination of algebra and trigonometry, or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 8 NCEA credits in English at level 1, OR IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.5.

## **ENGINEERING**

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### ***NZ Diploma in Engineering Civil*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits in four subjects (including Maths, Graphics and a Science-related subject), PLUS Minimum of 8 NCEA credits in English at level 1 (4 reading/4 writing), or minimum of 7 Level 3 English-rich credits or equivalent OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0.

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***Diploma in Engineering Civil*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

(Only first year taught at MIT, then in industry for 2<sup>nd</sup> year)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits.

Includes minimum of 12 Level 2 credits of English or similar AND/ OR IELTS of 6 Academic, no bands less than 5.5.

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***National Diploma of Engineering - Mechanical*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 12 NCEA Level 2 credits in maths and physics PLUS minimum of 8 credits of Level 1 literacy OR 12 NCEA Level 2 credits in maths

PLUS 24 NCEA Level 2 credits in approved subjects plus minimum of 8 credits of Level 1 literacy. Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.0.

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***Diploma in Electrical and Computer Engineering*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 12 NCEA Level 2 credits in each of 3 subjects.

Includes minimum of 12 NCEA Level 2 credits in maths or equivalent.

Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5.

***Diploma in Marine Engineering*** (Level 6 – 3 years)

48 NCEA Level 2 credits in best four subjects or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 8 NCEA level 2 English credits and 14 level 2 credits in Physics or Maths.

IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5 if English is not first language

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***Diploma in Engineering*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 2 credits in both Maths and Physics PLUS

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 1 credits in English.

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***Diploma in Electrotechnology*** (Level 6 – 2 years)

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 2 credits in both Maths and Physics PLUS

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 1 credits in English.

**HOSPITALITY**

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***Diploma in Culinary Practice*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Successful completion of level 3 certificate in hospitality operations or equivalent study or industry experience. Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5.

**Manukau Institute of Technology**

***Diploma in Hospitality Management*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Successful completion of level 3 certificate in hospitality operations, or equivalent study or industry experience. Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5 OR 12 NCEA Level 1 credits, including at least 1 credit in writing.

**AUT**

***Diplomas in Hospitality Management, Travel & Tourism, Culinary Arts and Patisserie*** (Level 5, 2 years)

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 2 credits in both Maths and Physics PLUS

Minimum of 14 NCEA Level 1 credits in English.

## MARITIME

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### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Nautical Science*** (Level 5 – 3 years)

48 NCEA Level 2 credits in best four subjects or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 8 NCEA level 2 English credits and 14 level 2 credits in Physics or Maths or higher.

IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5 if English is not first language

### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Marine Engineering*** (Level 6 – 3 years)

48 NCEA Level 2 credits in best four subjects or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 8 NCEA level 2 English credits and 14 level 2 credits in Physics or Maths or higher

IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5 if English is not first language

### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Supply Chain Management*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits.

IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5 if English is not first language

### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Shipping and Freight*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits.

IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.5 if English is not first language

## NURSING

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### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Enrolled Nursing*** (Level 5 – 18 months)

Minimum of 48 credits NCEA Level 2 or equivalent including 12 credits in Level 1 English and 12 credits in Level 1 Maths PLUS

Relevant work experience and Police Clearance

IELTS 6.5 (Academic) with no band under 6.0 if English is not first language

NB: International students cannot currently be accepted into this course.

## PERFORMING ARTS

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#### ***Diploma in Performance Technology*** (Level 7 – 2 years)

60 NCEA Level 2 credits in best four subjects or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 12 NCEA level 1 English credits, OR 7 Level 3 English rich subject credits OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0

AND attend an audition/interview

## **Unitec**

### ***Diploma in Contemporary Music*** (Level 5 – 2 years)

48 NCEA Level 2 credits in best four subjects or equivalent PLUS

Minimum of 12 NCEA level 1 English credits, OR 7 Level 3 English rich subject credits OR IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no band under 5.0

AND attend an audition/interview

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***Diploma in Performing Arts*** (Level 5 – 1 year)

Minimum of 42 Level 3 credits or equiv AND solo audition for song, dance or acting PLUS a group audition

IELTS 6.5 (Academic) with no band under 6.0 if English is not first language

## **SPORT**

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### ***Diploma in Sport and Fitness Education*** (Level 7 – 3 years)

NCEA UE or equivalent.

Minimum of 8 Level 2 NCEA English credits or 7 Level 3 credits in a language rich subject (history, geography, classical studies) or equivalent OR

IELTS of 6.0 (Academic) with no band lower than 5.0

## **AUT**

### ***Diploma in Outdoor Recreation Leadership*** (Level 6 - 2 years)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits.

Includes minimum of 8 NCEA Level 2 credits in a language rich subject.

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### ***Diploma in Sport and Recreation*** (Level 5 - 1 year)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits

Includes minimum of 8 NCEA Level 2 credits in a language rich subject.

(ARE SPECIALTIES IN GOLF COACHING AND CRICKET THAT REQUIRE PROOF OF APPROPRIATE SPORTING ABILITY)

## **Manukau Institute of Technology**

### ***Diploma in Applied Sport and Recreation*** (Level 5 - 1 year)

NCEA UE OR successfully completed Certificate in Applied Sport and Recreation

English language IELTS 6.5 Academic, no band under 6.0 if English is not first language.

## TRAVEL & TOURISM

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### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***New Zealand Diploma in Business – Tourism specialization*** (Level 6 – 2 yrs)

Minimum of 50 NCEA Level 2 credits, min of 12 credits in each of 3 subjects, and at least 12 Level 2 literacy credits.

Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5.

### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***Diploma in Pacific Rim Tourism*** (Level 5 – 2 years)

Minimum of 50 NCEA Level 2 credits, min of 12 credits in each of 3 subjects, and Level 2 literacy credits.

Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5.

### **Manukau Institute of Technology**

#### ***NZIM/ATTTO Diploma in Tourism Management*** (Level 5, 18 months)

Minimum of 48 Level 2 credits, min of 12 credits in each of 3 subjects, including level 2 literacy credits OR NCEA UE or equivalent.

Applicants whose first language is not English need IELTS 6.0 (Academic) with no score under 5.5.

### **Unitec**

#### ***Diploma in Tourism Leadership & Management*** (Level 5, 1 year)

Minimum of 48 NCEA Level 2 credits over best 4 subjects. Includes minimum of 12 Level 1 English credits, of which 4 must be reading and 4 in writing or equiv. OR IELTS of 6.0 Academic, nothing under 5.5.

*This information was correct as of December 3, 2010. Please check the websites and prospectuses of the providers as well.*

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