

PROSPECTUS

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Providing future professionals with the tools of the trade

Cut Above Academy has been giving students the edge they need to become hairstylists, barbers, makeup and special effects makeup artists of the future for more than forty years.

Our position as one of New Zealand's top training providers, along with our commitment to giving students the skills for success, makes us the ideal first step along a career path in the exciting hairdressing and creative makeup industries.

We partner with other industry leaders to ensure our students train with the best products and get unique internship and employment opportunities.



First-class qualifications

Our Courses and Collections offer everything you need to know about hairdressing, barbering and makeup artistry - and they are all approved by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA).

Hairdressing and barbering graduates can achieve Level 3 and 4 Certificates, and makeup and special effects makeup artists achieve Level 3, 4 or 5 Certificates and Diplomas.

Multi-skilled graduates

Creative industries require graduates to be multi-skilled. Hair salon owners want employees with extra skills in makeup. Stage and screen producers, and art directors want makeup artists who can style hair, assist with costumes and props, and create special effects makeup looks.

On top of what you'll learn in your chosen specialty, we include basics from our other courses. Or you can choose to study one of our Collections and learn a skill set in more than one area.

Expert, hands-on training

Producing graduates who can do great work begins with technique and inspiration. That's why we choose tutors who are leaders in their field, and they choose us because of our reputation.

Our tutors focus their training on practical, hands-on tuition. Our lecture rooms, salons and makeup studios are all designed to meet specific industry requirements. Special effects makeup artistry students master their art in the Creature Shop, which was designed in consultation with world famous Weta Workshop.

We ensure our students are working on real clients in our Cut Above Academy salons. We also organise real-world experience and contacts through opportunities working backstage on some of New Zealand's most exciting fashion and performing arts events.

Career opportunities

Cut Above Academy is the driving force in creative image education, launching over 400 students into the industry each year.

Our hairstylists and barbers are sought after by salon owners; they are building awesome careers, winning awards and getting their work splashed across the pages of high profile magazines and in the digital world.

Our makeup and special effects artists are working in fashion, film, broadcasting and the performing arts. Check out some of our star graduates in this prospectus.



PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP

NYX professional makeup was launched to create a high quality product that is really affordable. Since their launch NYX have evolved into one of the most loved makeup brands around.

Cut Above Academy is proud to partner with NYX who will provide all of the makeup in our Level 3 Makeup Essentials Kits. Our students also get exclusive "money can't buy" access to attend NYX makeup workshops and seminars.



ghd revolutionised the way women styled their hair back in 2001 with the launch of its first styler – a professional tool designed for salon use that could also be easily used at home.

ghd has continued to be a leader and innovator in hair styling with its range of professional brushes, products and the launch of its first hairdryer. All of our Level 4 Hairdressing Emerging Stylists get a set of ghd stylers as part of their professional kit.



Wella are a fundamental part of the hairdressing industry, developing top quality haircare and colouring products for industry for 135 years! All of our hairdressing and barbering students use Wella haircare products throughout their training.

Our students also get exclusive opportunities to attend seminars and workshops.

Our industry partners

At Cut Above we are proud to partner with the best in the business so that our students train using top quality products and get the best employment opportunities.



At Disney Cruise Line, you can set sail on the job opportunity of a lifetime aboard their extraordinary ships! You can create an unforgettable voyage for families by delivering exceptional guest service, while also charting the course for an incredible career journey of your own!

Disney Cruise lines offers Cut Above students unique opportunities to be a part of their cruising family including full-time employment roles in hair and makeup.



South Seas are a leading New Zealand Film, Television, Screen Acting, Animation and Photography training institution with an excellent reputation for delivering professional industry training. Cut Above have partnered with South Seas to offer our Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion Film and Media Level 4 students a "money can't buy" opportunity to work on a film set or stage production as part of the crew.



Steiner, who operate cruiseliners such as P&O Cruises, Disney Cruiseliners and Princess Cruises to name just a few, has been in the luxury cruise ship business for over 40 years.

Onboard Spa by Steiner gives Cut Above students unique opportunities including:

Yearly Steiner visits to each campus

Interview opportunities with the Recruitment Manager for Australia and New Zealand up to four times a year

Career presentations to students

Travel opportunities while you work on-board.



HAIRDRESSING COURSES



Hair & Makeup Pathway Level 2

No Quals? No Dramas!

Don't have NCEA Level 2?
Get it here with us, studying
something you find interesting,
for FREE!

If you're 16 to 19 and want to get ahead, this is for you. It's the perfect way to learn heaps of great skills to get you work-ready. Head off for a job after your course or even better...stay on and study with us in hairdressing, barbering, makeup and special effects makeup!

Impress your mates!

Learn hairdressing, barbering, special effects and makeup skills.

Get new skills

Learn new skills which will make you more employable like customer service, communication and reception skills.

Sell yourself

Learn how to sell yourself with job search and problem solving skills.

Literacy and numeracy skills are an optional addition required to gain NCEA Level 2.

Fees Free

This course is fees FREE and is for 16-19 year olds

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Salon Skills (Introductory)
(Level 2)

NCEA level 2 (if you opt to complete an additional 20 credits in literacy and numeracy)

Duration

19 weeks



HAIRDRESSING COURSES



Hairdressing Essentials Level 3

Personal hairdressing kit

Receive your Cut Above Hairdressing Kit packed with professional hairdressing equipment, including combs, brushes and the tools of the trade for cutting and colouring.

Build your own portfolio

Build your brand as a hairdresser, with hands-on training in the perfect blow wave, long hair styling, hair treatments, scissor and razor cutting, highlighting and foiling and colour styling. You'll graduate with a portfolio of work to wow prospective clients and employers.

Course content

You'll be immersed in the different techniques for cutting, colouring and styling.

Put all your skills to the test, practicing in our on-site salons to build your confidence and creative flair.

You are your most important asset. Learn to sell yourself with networking and communication skills, and sales techniques.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for this programme by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support)
Level 3

Duration

34 weeks



HAIRDRESSING COURSES



Hairdressing Emerging Stylists Level 4

Stand out in a competitive job market

Classes are small, so you get one on one attention from expert tutors to ensure you can focus on developing your creative skills and confidence.

Work on real clients

Practice makes perfect. Get on-going exposure to real clients in our on-site salons which are open to the public.

Exclusive industry exposure

Be the envy of your friends with “money can’t buy” exposure to the industry, through exclusive guest speakers and industry employment opportunities.

MORE THAN HAIR! WE'LL ALSO TEACH YOU MAKEUP SKILLS SO YOU'RE AN ALL ROUNDER

Course content

Get the best of both worlds with in-class learning of advanced cutting, colour correction, chemical reformation and more, and put it into practice in our professional salons.

Hone your consultation skills so you can give your client what they want every time.

Master high fashion and competition styling and participate in catwalk shows and photo shoots.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for this programme by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Emerging Stylist)
Level 4

Duration

34 weeks



BARBERING COURSES

Barbering Essentials Level 3

Learn the old and the new school

We teach the full spectrum of barber skills so you can work on a wide range of clients.

Exclusive industry exposure

Be part of “money can’t buy” exposure to the industry, through exclusive guest speakers and industry partner tours so you can start to build contacts.

Course content

The old school: Master scissor and clipper cutting, beard and moustache shaping and cut-throat shaving.

The new school: Learn the latest trends in men’s cutting, and contemporary techniques in men’s colouring.

Practice on real clients in our on-site salons.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for this programme by the government.

Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Barber Skills Level 3

Duration

32 weeks





MAKEUP COURSES

Makeup Essentials Level 3

**Your career as a Makeup
Artist starts here!**

Pro Makeup Kit

Receive your Cut Above makeup kit packed with NYX professional makeup products for all the looks you'll master.

Build your portfolio

Build your brand as a makeup artist, with hands-on training in looks from day to night, photographic to corrective, special occasion to artistry effects. Adapt and evolve your own signature looks by practicing on yourself and your classmates. You'll graduate with a portfolio of work to wow prospective clients.

Exclusive industry exposure

Be the envy of your friends with "money can't buy" exposure to the industry, through exclusive guest speakers and industry employment opportunities.

Course content

Perfect the art of providing a skin consultation and advise a client on a range of different cosmetics.

It's all about eyes and brows right now.
Learn how to make them pop like a pro.

Transform a client into a blushing bride, give a client a natural "no makeup" look or transform them with a dramatic night look.

You are your most important asset. Learn to sell yourself with networking and communication skills, and sales techniques.

Fees Free

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Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare
Level 3

Duration

16 weeks



MAKEUP COURSES

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Direct your own photoshoot

You'll develop and direct your own photoshoot, giving you invaluable experience as well as more material for your portfolio to wow prospective clients and employers.

Work on theatre and fashion shows

Hands-on experience is everything! You'll get the opportunity to work on a range of theatre productions and fashion shows, practicing all the different looks you'll be mastering.

More than makeup

You'll not only explore the magic of makeup, you'll also learn workplace and small business practice skills. Plus you'll gain extra skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to market yourself as an all-rounder.

Course content

Immerse yourself in learning the full range of skills in makeup and beauty for cosmetics consultancy, editorial and photographic work from tutors with years of professional experience.

Delve into the glamour of the 50's, the mystery of the Geisha and the terror of the vampire underworld as you design different looks across the ages.

Progress to advanced techniques in stage and screen including corrective, character and period makeup, body art and stage FX.

Transport yourself to the runways of Europe as you progress to makeup for high fashion editorial runway.

Build your business skills so you can be your own boss or assist with the running of a small business.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for this programme by the government.

Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4*

Duration 34 weeks

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY!

This amazing opportunity will give you your first taste of working in the thrilling world of stage and screen! Discover the excitement of being part of the makeup crew on a film set or stage production. You'll work with the director, producer and cast to bring the production to life as part of this "money can't buy" experience.

*Subject to NZQA approval



MAKEUP COURSES



Created on-site at Cut Above Academy
by Richard Mudford
Diploma in Production Design and Sculpting Level 5 student

Diploma in Special FX & Prosthetic Makeup Artistry Level 5

Study in the creature shop!

Designed in consultation with Weta Workshop, the Creature Shop is an industrial special effects makeup artistry studio where you will master the skills of special effects makeup artistry from inspiring tutors and produce a range of makeup creations.

Work in theatre & fashion

Experience is everything! Work on a range of theatre productions and fashion shows to practice all the different techniques you've mastered.

WE'RE THE ONLY SCHOOL OFFERING THIS QUALIFICATION IN AUSTRALASIA

Course content

Perfect fantasy, horror, character, and period makeup for film, television and theatre.

Learn wardrobe, wig styling and makeup and hairstyling for stage, editorial, and screen.

Master special effects makeup artistry techniques including prosthetics, casting, sculpting and character creation.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for this programme by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualification awarded

Diploma in Production Design and Sculpting Level 5

Duration

32 weeks



COLLECTIONS

If you want to equip yourself with as much knowledge and as many skills as possible before you graduate, we suggest you enrol in one of our Collections. You'll receive unique programme pricing and graduate with more than one qualification, making you more valuable within the industry.



Master Stylist Collection

In just two years you'll go from total novice to an industry-ready stylist, with extensive experience working on real clients.

Hairdressing Essentials Level 3

Learn the basics of cutting, styling and colouring, along with the communication skills and the technical know-how to put it all together.

Hairdressing Emerging Stylists Level 4

The real-world environment of this course will help you develop your creativity with new approaches to cutting, colouring, and styling.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for these programmes by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support) Level 3

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Emerging Stylists) Level 4

Duration

2 years

**MORE THAN HAIR!
WE'LL ALSO TEACH
YOU MAKEUP SKILLS
SO YOU'RE AN ALL
ROUNDER**



COLLECTIONS

Runway Collection

This is the perfect option if you want to become a professional makeup artist, with supporting skills in hairdressing to make you more valuable in the industry.

Makeup Essentials Level 3

Study the basics of makeup artistry, perfecting the essentials of prepping skin and applying a range of makeup techniques.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Continue to develop your makeup artist skills focusing on a broad base of makeup techniques plus pre-production, production and continuity skills (film, TV, stage and media), workplace skills, and makeup and hair for catwalk and photography. You'll also gain extra skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to market yourself as a freelancer.

MORE THAN MAKEUP! WE'LL ALSO TEACH YOU HAIRDRESSING SKILLS SO YOU'RE AN ALL ROUNDER

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for these programmes by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare Level 3

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4

Duration 1 year

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY!

This amazing opportunity will give you your first taste of working in the thrilling world of stage and screen! Discover the excitement of being part of the makeup crew on a film set or stage production. You'll work with the director, producer and cast to bring the production to life as part of this "money can't buy" experience.



COLLECTIONS



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Cosmetic Effects Collection

Work in stage and screen! Over two years you'll progress from focusing on a broad base of makeup artist techniques to then honing your skills learning the magic of special effects makeup.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Develop your makeup artistry skills focusing on a broad base of makeup techniques as well as pre-production, production and continuity skills (film, TV, stage and media), workplace skills, and makeup and hair for catwalk and photography. You'll also gain extra skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to market yourself as a freelancer.

Diploma in Special FX & Prosthetic Makeup Artistry Level 5

Continue to develop your skills, becoming a pro at face casting and mold-making, including design, sculpture, molding and the casting of prosthetic materials, and walk into your dream job as a freelance or contracted special effects makeup artist for stage, screen, television, catwalk, editorial, advertising or media production.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for these programmes by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

WE'RE THE ONLY SCHOOL OFFERING THIS LEVEL 5 QUALIFICATION IN AUSTRALASIA

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4
Diploma in Production Design and Sculpting Level 5

Duration 2 years



COLLECTIONS

Winning design from the World Body Art Championship 2013
Created by Sofia Bue
Cut Above Academy graduate in Diploma in Production
Design and Sculpting Level 5

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY!

This amazing opportunity will give you your first taste of working in the thrilling world of stage and screen! Discover the excitement of being part of the makeup crew on a film set or stage production. You'll work with the director, producer and cast to bring the production to life as part of this "money can't buy" experience.

Complete Collection

This is the ultimate in professional makeup artistry training, taking you from complete beginner to a graduate qualified to work in all aspects of the professional makeup artistry industry, including prosthetic and special effects makeup.

Makeup Essentials Level 3

Study the basics of makeup artistry, perfecting the essentials of prepping skin and applying a range of makeup techniques.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Continue to develop your makeup artistry skills focusing on a broad base of makeup techniques as well as pre-production, production and continuity skills (film, TV, stage and media), workplace skills, and makeup and hair for catwalk and photography. You'll also gain extra skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to market yourself as a freelancer.

Diploma in Special FX & Prosthetic Makeup Artistry Level 5

Delve into the magic of special effects makeup, becoming a pro at cast-making, prosthetics creation, wardrobe, and props production and get ready to walk into your dream job as a freelance or contracted special effects makeup artist for stage, screen, television, catwalk, editorial, advertising or media production.

Fees Free

You may qualify to have your 2018 course fees paid up to \$12,000 for these programmes by the government. Refer to the website www.feesfree.govt.nz to check and see if you are eligible.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare Level 3
New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4
Diploma in Production Design and Sculpting Level 5

Duration 2 years

WE'RE THE ONLY SCHOOL OFFERING THIS LEVEL 5 QUALIFICATION IN AUSTRALASIA

★ SOME OF OUR OUR STARS



Nadia Te Tane

Colour Technician and Retail Assistant
Rodney Wayne, Auckland



Shivani Kumar

Colourist
The Black Studio, Auckland



Desalegn Yohanes

Barber
The Hair Club, Auckland



Christine Edwards

Special Effects Makeup Artist,
Freelance / Self Employed



Sabreenah London

Senior Stylist
Hair Co, Auckland



Olivia Howard

Job Artist and Pre-Production Artist
The Magic Brush, Auckland



Mitch Wilson

Stylist
Bettjemans Hair Salon, Auckland



Jessica Ishak

Stylist and Colour Specialist
D&A Hair Salon, Auckland



Amber Pomare

Salon Manager
FMK / First Millennium Keratin,
Auckland



Asa Ilaoa

Makeup Artist and Retail Assistant
MAC Cosmetics, Auckland



Veronica Fetaiai Vini

Junior Stylist
Rodney Wayne, Auckland



Anisoara Valentina
Williams

Senior Colourist
Hue Salon, Auckland



Michael Pham

Barber
The Boss Grooming Ltd, Auckland



Ginelle Aspinall

Hair Stylist and Makeup Artist
Freelance / Self Employed



Trudi Boyd

Makeup Artist and Hair Stylist
Shadow and Rouge, Melbourne,
Australia



Danielle Strongman
& Kirsty Barrett

Joint Salon Owners, Stylists and
Makeup Artists
Hair On High Street, Auckland

Phoenix Renata

Since the age of 15 Phoenix had a dream of developing her own brand of cosmetics, and since graduating Cut Above, she's gone on to do just that!

Phoenix enrolled at Cut Above at the age of 16, having already completed a couple of short courses and dabbling in film due to her parents connections in the industry.

"I chose to study makeup artistry at Cut Above Academy because I wanted to do a Diploma, it was the longest course in Auckland and the most vast in terms of topics and skills it covered. It was a great stepping stone, and provided a lot of general life experience as well as the technical application lessons and industry experience."

Phoenix is now the founder and owner of Phoenix Cosmetics, her own makeup brand, with 12 makeup stores nationwide and one in Australia. "We do a lot of work with NZ designers for shows, Australia and New Zealand Fashion Week, events, photoshoots, film and TV. I always use Cut Above students to assist whenever I have events and shows on. Cut Above teaches you the fundamentals of makeup and I think the most valuable thing they gave me was all of the work experience, and the relationships with students, tutors and industry which has meant I have kept an on-going relationship with the academy throughout my career.



Ryan Lawson

From sweeping floors to a sweeping life change! Ryan Lawson knew what he wanted to do from a young age, using his family for inspiration.

"I grew up sweeping the floors in my mother's salons, and thinking how cool it would be to completely change people's looks and build friendships at the same time."

Ryan had a passion and a dream, but wasn't sure how to get there. After chatting to some former students, he knew Cut Above would be perfect for him. "The course taught me what to expect when I'd finished my studies and moved into a real salon or barber shop. The variety of trends/styles/techniques they had us practising seemed daunting at first, but when I got out to the real world, I was thankful. They gave me all the necessary tools and skills to be able to jump right into it without feeling like a fish out of water".

He's now a barber at the BarberShopCo in Takapuna, and he's doing everything he dreamed of. From scissor and clipper work, to hot towel cut-throat shaving, styling and having a broad knowledge of products, he's exactly where he wanted to be. His job gives him the scope to try new things, "I'm part of a company that offers so many exciting opportunities. I've worked with Red Bull, cut hair at Radio Hauraki, even been on a TV show. My favourite part of the job is doing crazy restyles, lopping off ponytails, and completely changing a guy's image."

Sofia Bue

Since graduating from Cut Above Academy with a Diploma in Production Design and Sculpting, Sofia Bue has quickly cemented her place in the Special Effects makeup industry.

In 2013, as a recent Cut Above graduate, Sofia entered and won the World Title in Special Effects Makeup. It was a win that would put her in the sights of Richard Taylor from Weta, and he immediately offered her a job as a sculptor and special effects makeup artist in their world famous Wellington based workshop. Her time at Weta has meant experience working on movies like *Ghost in the Shell*, *The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies* and *Chappie*. Whilst working full time Sofia also managed to snap up another win in Special Effects Body Art at the 2015 World Championship, something she hopes to repeat in 2018.

Along side her role creating weird and wonderful creatures for movies, Sofia released *Bodies of Art* this



year, a book which showcases her bodypainting through a series of beautiful photographs. The development of the book is Sofia's proudest achievement to date.

With all this success Sofia hasn't forgotten where it all started. "Studying at Cut Above was a great launching pad. The course is so immersive, you dedicate the whole year to focusing on learning and have a fantastic creative environment around you. It offers an exciting balance between the core techniques of makeup artistry, while allowing you to learn and push your creative boundaries".

Sofia is now forging an international career, living and working in Canada on TV and Film productions. "I'm very fortunate to have found a career that I love. When your passion becomes your job, it never feels like work".



'Perspectiva'
from the book *Bodies of Art*.
Created by Sofia Bue
Cut Above Academy graduate in Diploma
in Production Design and Sculpting Level 5
www.sofiabue.com

Entry criteria

Level 2 Programme

Applicants need to be aged 16 to 19 years of age at the start of their course, have no qualifications yet or have NCEA Level 1

Level 3 programmes

Applicants are preferred to be a minimum of 16 years of age at the start of their course and be able to demonstrate a basic understanding of spoken and written English.

Level 4 programmes

Hairdressing Emerging Stylists: Entry is open to graduates of the New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support) Level 3 or candidates with equivalent skills and qualifications.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media: Entry is open to beginners but you must be 16 years or older and able to demonstrate a basic understanding of spoken and written English.

Level 5 programme

Entry is open to beginners with an interest in art, fashion or design and graduates of the Certificate in Makeup (Level 4). You must be 16 years or older and able to demonstrate proficient use and understanding of spoken and written English.

Class times

All class times are from 9am – 3.30pm Monday to Friday. All sessions are compulsory. Students are required to complete between five and 10 hours of self-directed learning per week in addition to face-to-face classes. Level 4, hairdressing hours are 9am to 3.30pm for class weeks, and 9am to 5pm including one late night to 8pm for salon weeks.

To gain real practical experience and prepare you for work, you may be required to attend work experience events. As a general guide this may include flexible attendance at the campus as required. We will endeavour to provide you with plenty of notice so that you can prepare for this, as you may need to consider support requirements to allow for these flexible hours e.g. childcare arrangements.

Cut Above Academy reserves the right to make changes to timetables and course structures to meet operational and industry requirements. Please note that all courses are run subject to numbers and space availability.

Loans and allowances

Our government has just announced their fees free policy and Cut Above courses are eligible.

Student Loan Scheme

All New Zealanders who have completed less than half a fulltime year of post-school education or training may be eligible to study fees-free next year up to a maximum of \$12,000. You can check if you're eligible for fees-free study using the tool on the fees-free website www.feesfree.govt.nz. It's a good idea to do this before applying for student support so you know whether to ask for a loan for your fees.

Course Related Costs

If you're eligible for fees free study, you still need to apply for a Student Loan if you want to borrow the course-related costs or living costs components. If you need a student loan for course related costs or living costs you will still need to apply through Studylink. It is important that you complete your Studylink application as soon as possible. This is done on their website at www.studylink.govt.nz

Processing Applications

Information for both the allowance and student loan schemes are available from Studylink on their website. Our friendly recruitment team can check your documentation, authorise photocopies of birth certificates and other documents if needed.

What to do next?

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Phone us to schedule a chat with one of our team.

Phone us to schedule a personal interview with the recruitment advisor.

Out of town applicants may request an enrolment pack and Guide to Enrolment.

The interview is your chance to decide on the best course option to achieve your goals.

Go to our website for more information on courses, facilities, tutors, events, and student achievements

www.cutabove.ac.nz

NEW WORLD

NEW BEGINNINGS

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Cut Above Academy is part of New Education Group, New Zealand's leading independent provider of vocational training and higher learning.

In a world that's constantly changing, it pays to keep a close eye on the future. At New Education Group we offer an innovative and dynamic range of study courses in Creative Industries, Information Technology, Tourism, Hospitality & Cookery, Sport, Health, Beauty, Trades and Business.

We deliver the latest skills, the most industry-relevant qualifications and the very best employment support - it's our job to make sure every one of our students graduates work-ready and world-ready.

At New Education Group our goal is the same as yours. We're here to help you take on the world.

New Education Group is not your regular group of vocational colleges! All our providers are Category 1 - NZQA's highest possible ranking. That makes us the largest collection of Category 1 schools in the country. We are also part of the ACG Education Group, New Zealand's leading independent provider of educational services.

New Education Group campuses specialise in training for distinct, high-demand industries. Our practical programmes are developed with industry consultation, to ensure students graduate with the skills today's employers want. Our tutors come direct from the industries they teach, classes are small, and the learning environment is fun and supportive. Each of our fit-for-purpose campuses feature niche, authentic training environments, enabling students to master practical skills for their chosen professions.

Sustainable employment is the ultimate goal. Employment skills are embedded into our programmes and many courses include work experience opportunities or internships. Our Careers Teams and campus staff provide free employment support to students and graduates, and we have an extensive network of industry partnerships. Our students gain the right skills and the most industry-relevant qualifications - and we place eighty percent of them into careers each year!

At New Education Group we empower our students to carve their own paths in today's rapidly changing world.

Our colleges at a glance

- NZMA (New Zealand Management Academies)
- NSIA (The Professional Hospitality Academy)
- Academy NZ
- New Zealand College of Massage
- New Zealand Institute of Sport
- New Zealand School of Tourism
- Cut Above Academy
- Elite (International School of Beauty and Spa Therapies)
- Yoobee School of Design
- AMES - The Institute of IT
- Animation College
- South Seas Film & Television School



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Contact us for more
information and to set
up a tour



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Wellington campus

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