

cut above academy

Prospectus



LEARN FROM
PASSIONATE
TRAINERS
WHO HAVE
WORKED IN
THE INDUSTRY

LEARN USING
TOP BRANDS
AND PRODUCTS
LIKE GHD

INVITE YOUR
FAMILY TO
CAMPUS FOR
A CUT OR
COLOUR

PRACTISE ON
REAL CLIENTS
AT OUR
ON-SITE
TRAINING
SALONS

GET QUALIFIED
IN BOTH HAIR
AND MAKEUP

ONLY SCHOOL
OFFERING
SPECIAL EFFECTS
MAKEUP
IN AUSTRALIA
AND NZ

OUR CAMPUSES

We have two main campuses in Auckland City and Manukau, with onsite barbershops and salons open to the public so students can practise on real clients.

360 QUEEN STREET

MANUKAU

Central Auckland Campus



Practise lifelike special-effects makeup



Real hair salon and barbershop on site



One-on-one guidance from your tutor



Newly designed urban campus



Learn from leading makeup artists



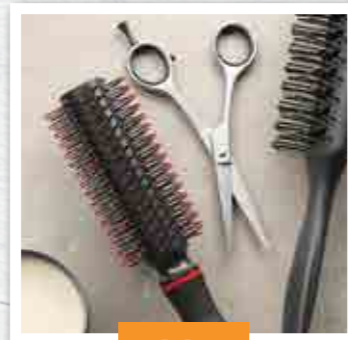
OUR COURSES

HAIR & MAKEUP



LEVEL 2

HAIR & MAKEUP
PATHWAY



LEVEL 3

HAIRDRESSING
ESSENTIALS



LEVEL 4

HAIRDRESSING
EMERGING STYLIST

BARBERING



LEVEL 3

BARBERING
ESSENTIALS

Graduates today need to be multi skilled! Hair salons want employees with extra skills in makeup. Stage and screen producers and directors want makeup artists who can style hair, assist with costumes and props, and create special-effects makeup looks.

Our courses teach you additional basic skills outside of your chosen area. Or study one of our Collections and learn more than one skill set in depth.

MAKEUP & SPECIAL EFFECTS



LEVEL 3

MAKEUP
ESSENTIALS



LEVEL 4

PROFESSIONAL
MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
FASHION, FILM
AND MEDIA



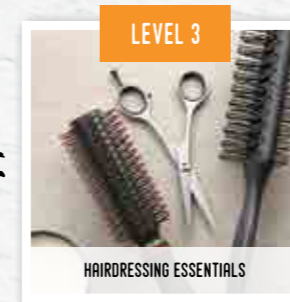
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DIPLOMA IN
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OUR COLLECTIONS

MASTER
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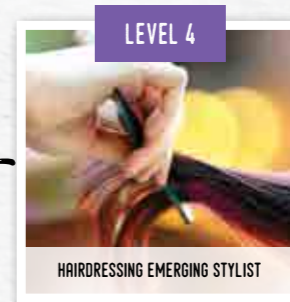
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HAIRDRESSING ESSENTIALS

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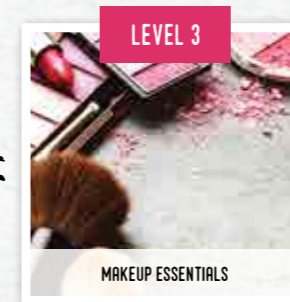
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HAIRDRESSING EMERGING STYLIST

STUDY THIS
TO BECOME
A QUALIFIED
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RUNWAY
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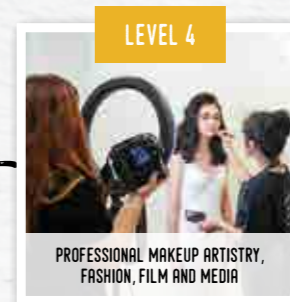
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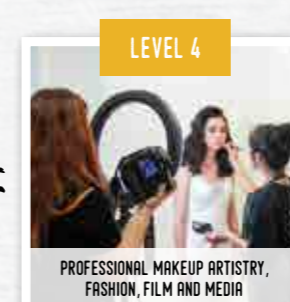
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PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
FASHION, FILM AND MEDIA

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

COSMETIC
EFFECTS
COLLECTION

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PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
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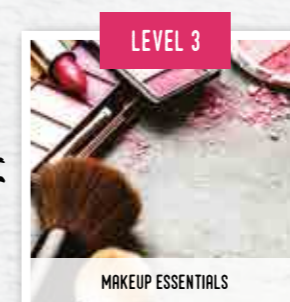
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DIPLOMA IN SPECIAL EFFECTS AND
PROSTHETIC MAKEUP ARTISTRY

TAKE A TOUR OF
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FAMOUS WETA
WORKSHOP

COMPLETE
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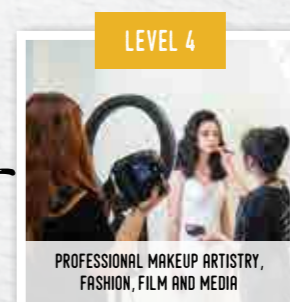
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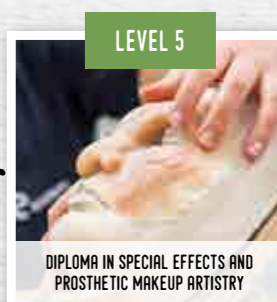
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LEVEL 4

PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
FASHION, FILM AND MEDIA

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LEVEL 5

DIPLOMA IN SPECIAL EFFECTS AND
PROSTHETIC MAKEUP ARTISTRY



HAIRDRESSING

Customer Skills Learning how to work with customers



Makeup Master a classic 'smokey eye'



Hair Perfect your bowl drying skills

LEVEL 2

HAIR & MAKEUP PATHWAY

Get your NCEA Level 2 for
FREE while studying something
creative!

If you're aged between 16 and 19 and want a fun and FREE course, this is for you. You'll learn heaps of great skills to get you work-ready. Head off for a job after your course, or stay and study with us in hairdressing, barbering or makeup.

Impress your mates!

Learn hairdressing, barbering, special effects and makeup skills.

Get new skills

Gain the reception, communication and customer service skills you need to offer quality service to your clients.

Sell yourself

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

Fees-free

No course fees for applicants aged between 16 and 19 years of age.

Qualification awarded

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

NCEA Level 2 (if additional 20 credits
in literacy and numeracy completed)

Course duration

19 weeks



HAIRDRESSING

LEVEL 3

HAIRDRESSING ESSENTIALS

Personal hairdressing kit

Get 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

Get 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 show employers.

Course content

Learn cutting, colouring and styling.

Practise in our on site salons to build your confidence.

Learn to sell yourself.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support) Level 3

Course duration

34 weeks

Kit Get your very own professional hairdressing kit



Cut Learn straight line cutting techniques



Colour Learn the basics of colouring



Style Learn in-demand hair techniques like bridal up-do's



Kit

Get your professional hairdressing kit, including a GHD



Colour

Master foiling and textural colour



Style

Advance with real clients in our on site salon

Technique

Master the latest trends



HAIRDRESSING EMERGING STYLIST

Stand out in the job market

Classes are small so you get lots of help from expert trainers and can focus on your skills and confidence.

Work on real clients

Practice makes perfect. Work on real clients in our on site salons which are open to the public.

Exclusive industry exposure

Get exposure to the industry via our exclusive guest speakers and industry employment opportunities.

Course content

Advanced cutting, colour correction, chemical reformation, and more.

Practise 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.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Emerging Stylist) Level 4

Course duration

34 weeks

**WORK ON REAL CLIENTS
IN OUR ON-SITE SALON**

BARBERING ESSENTIALS

Learn the old and the new school

Learn heaps of different barber skills so you can work on a wide range of clients.

Exclusive industry exposure

Meet exclusive guest speakers and go on industry partner tours so you can start to build contacts.

Course content

The old school: Scissor and clipper cutting, beard and moustache shaping and cut-throat shaving

The new school: Latest trends in men's cutting, and contemporary techniques in men's colouring

Practise on real clients in our on-site salons.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Barber Skills Level 3

Course duration

32 weeks

BARBERSHOP^{CO}

One of our key partners is Barbershop Co, who provide up-to-date industry knowledge and offer our students employment opportunities in their shops.



Kit Get your own personalised barber kit



Prep Get your clients prepped and ready



Shave Old-school cut-throat techniques



Style Master fades and undercuts

LEVEL 3



MAKEUP

MAKEUP ESSENTIALS

Your career as a Makeup Artist starts here!

Pro makeup kit

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

Build your portfolio

Master the art of day and night looks, photographic to corrective, and special occasion to artistry effects. Develop your own signature style by practising on classmates and yourself. Graduate with a portfolio of work to wow employers.

Exclusive industry exposure

Get exposed to exclusive guest speakers and go on industry partner tours so you can start to build contacts.

Course content

Learn skin consultation skills 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 look, or transform them with a dramatic night look.

Learn to sell yourself.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare Level 3

Course duration

16 weeks

Kit With professional makeup products



Eyes Master different eye-enhancing techniques

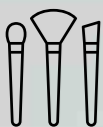


Customer Learn great service techniques



Glamour Master dramatic makeup





MAKEUP

LEVEL 4

PROFESSIONAL MAKEUP ARTISTRY, FASHION, FILM AND MEDIA



Face Learn about face shapes



Industry Learn from industry-respected tutors



Themed Get introduced to special-effects makeup

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY!

Get 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.

Direct your own photo shoot

Get real experience and use the shots to build your portfolio.

Work on theatre and fashion shows

Work on a range of theatre productions and fashion shows, practising all the different looks you've learned.

More than makeup

Learn work and business skills, as well as getting extra skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to sell yourself.

Course content

Learn the full range of skills in makeup and beauty for cosmetics consultancy, editorial and photographic work.

Design different looks across the ages.

Learn advanced techniques in stage and screen makeup for high fashion runway.

Build business skills.

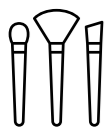
Qualification awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry
Level 4*

Course duration

34 weeks

LEVEL 5



MAKEUP

DIPLOMA IN SPECIAL EFFECTS AND PROSTHETIC MAKEUP ARTISTRY

Be creative!

Learn the tools of special-effects makeup from inspiring tutors to produce a range of makeup creations. This hands on programme will see you gain the essential skills needed to work in the industry.

Work in theatre and fashion

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

**WE ARE THE ONLY SCHOOL OFFERING
THIS QUALIFICATION IN AUSTRALIA
AND NEW ZEALAND**

Course content

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.

A day tour of the famous Weta Workshop so you can be inspired by the best in the business.

Qualification awarded

New Zealand Diploma in Arts & Design Level 5

Course duration

32 weeks

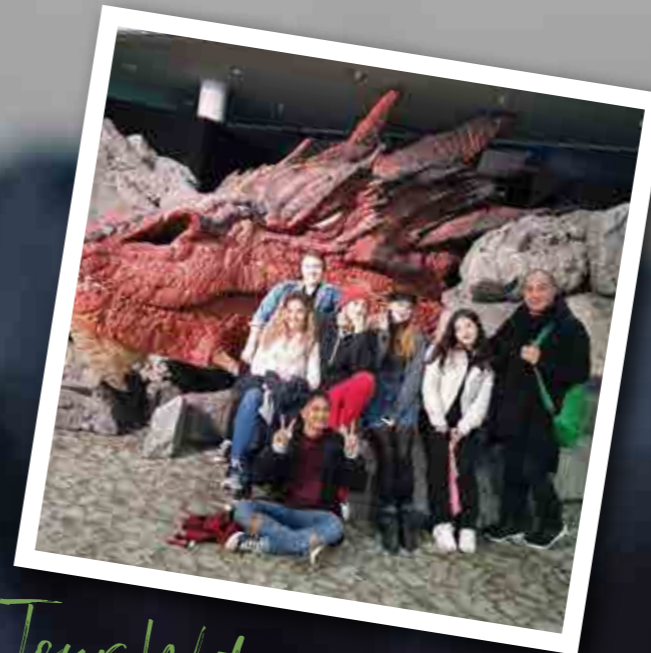
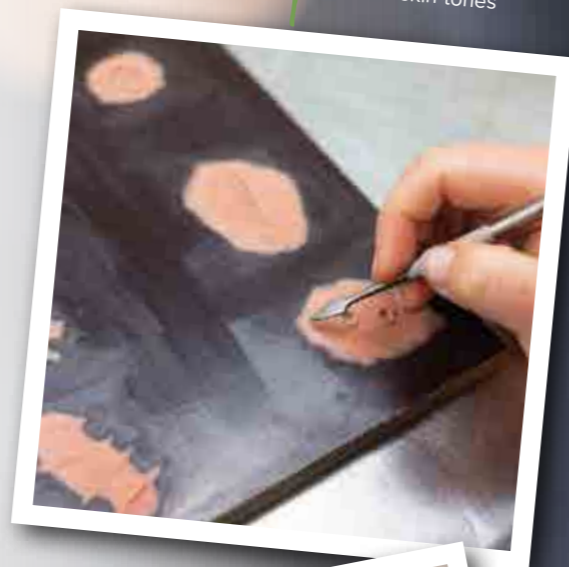


Concept

Practise drawing and design

Makeup

Create skin-tones



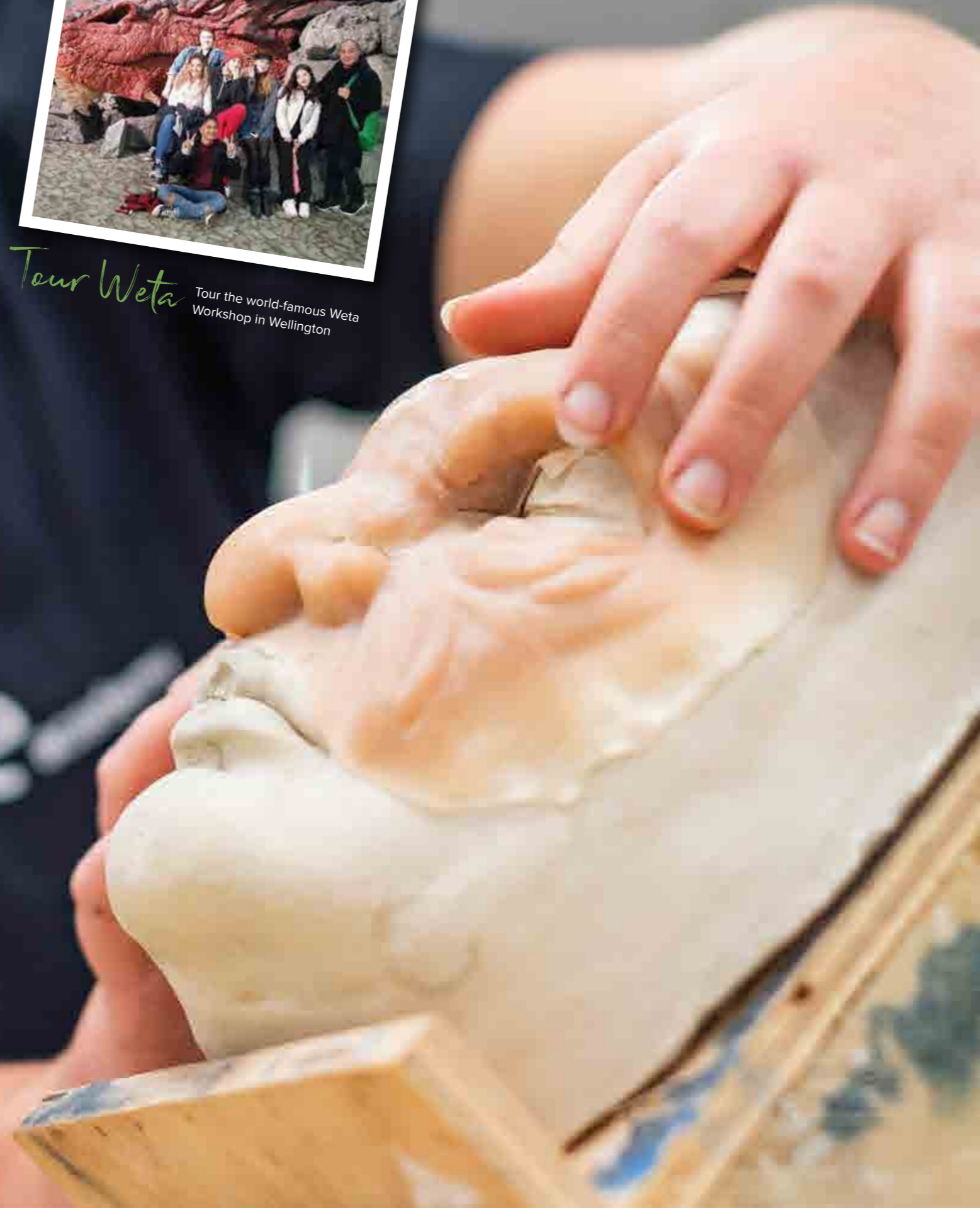
Tour Weta

Tour the world-famous Weta Workshop in Wellington



Casting

Master latex techniques

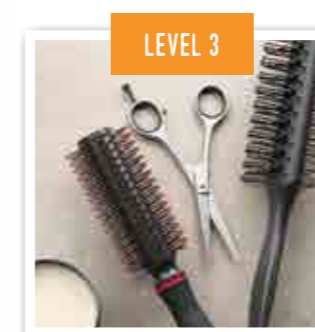




COLLECTIONS

MASTER STYLIST COLLECTION

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**HAIRDRESSING
ESSENTIALS**

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**HAIRDRESSING
EMERGING STYLIST**

In just two years you'll go from beginner to fully qualified, industry-ready stylist, with loads of 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 Stylist Level 4

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

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing
(Salon Support) Level 3

New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing
(Emerging Stylist) Level 4

Course duration 2 years

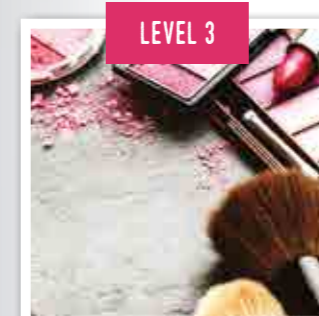
**STUDY THIS
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HAIRDRESSER**



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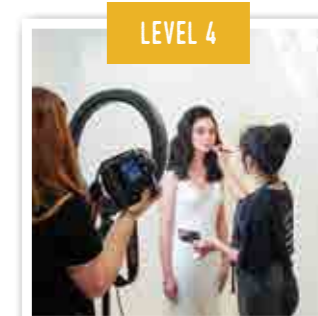
RUNWAY COLLECTION

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**MAKEUP
ESSENTIALS**

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**PROFESSIONAL
MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
FASHION, FILM
AND MEDIA**

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 employing a range of makeup techniques.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Advance your makeup artist skills by 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.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare Level 3

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4

Course duration 1 year

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY!

Get 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.

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COLLECTIONS

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WETA WORKSHOP

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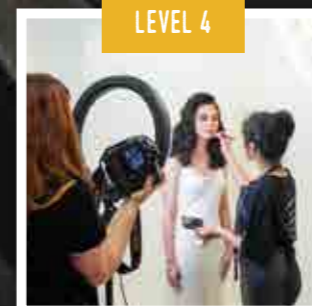
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COSMETIC EFFECTS COLLECTION

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LEVEL 4



PROFESSIONAL
MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
FASHION, FILM
AND MEDIA

LEVEL 5



DIPLOMA IN
SPECIAL EFFECTS
AND PROSTHETIC
MAKEUP ARTISTRY

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

Professional Makeup Artist for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Develop your makeup artistry skills by 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 Effects & Prosthetic Makeup Artistry Level 5

Continue to develop your skills, becoming a pro at face casting and mould-making, including design, sculpture and the moulding and 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.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4

New Zealand Diploma in Arts & Design Level 5

Course duration 2 years



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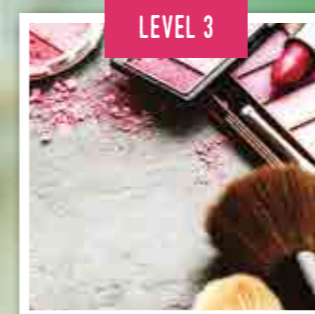
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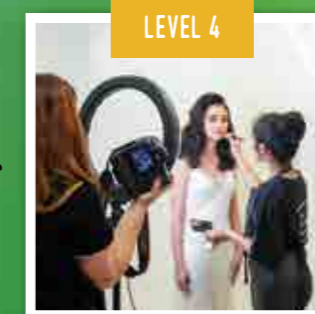
COMPLETE COLLECTION

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MAKEUP
ESSENTIALS

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PROFESSIONAL
MAKEUP ARTISTRY,
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DIPLOMA IN
SPECIAL EFFECTS
AND PROSTHETIC
MAKEUP ARTISTRY

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 doing prosthetic and special-effects makeup.

Makeup Essentials Level 3

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

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media Level 4

Continue to develop your makeup artistry skills by 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 skills in hairstyling, beauty and how to market yourself as a freelancer.

Diploma in Special Effects & 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.

Qualifications awarded

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup and Skincare Level 3

New Zealand Certificate in Makeup Artistry Level 4

New Zealand Diploma in Arts & Design Level 5

Course duration 2 years

SOME OF OUR STARS

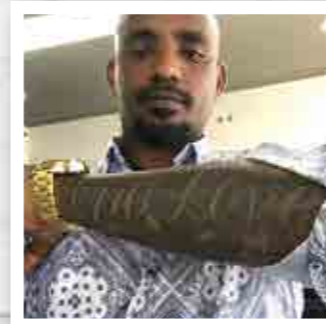


Kaysey Fairbrother-
Marsden

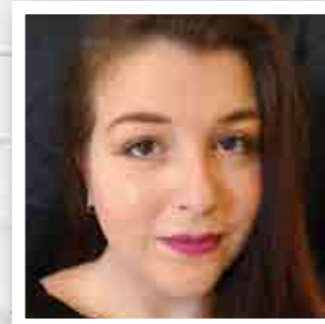
Special FX makeup trainer,
Cut Above Academy
Winner of New Zealand NYX Professional
Make-Up Face Awards 'Artist of the Year'



Shivani Kumar
Colourist,
The Black Studio, Auckland



Desalegn Yohanes
Barber,
The Hair Club, Auckland



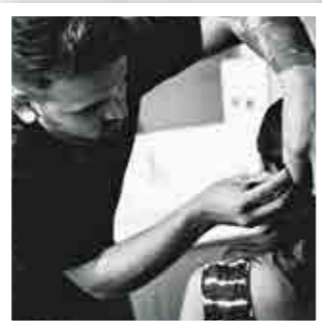
Christine Edwards
Special effects makeup artist,
freelance/self-employed



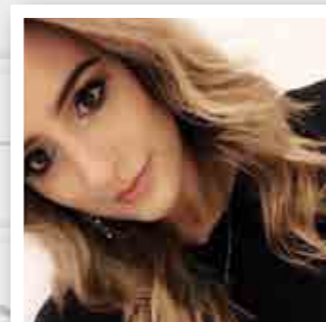
Sabreenah London
Senior stylist,
Hair Co, Auckland



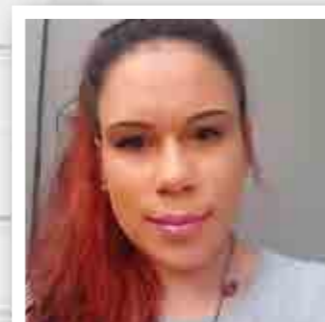
Olivia Howard
Job artist and pre-production
artist, The Magic Brush, Auckland



Mitch Wilson
Stylist,
Bettjemans Hair Salon, Auckland



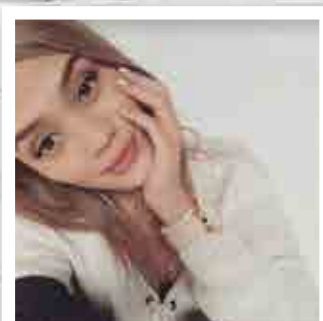
Jessica Ishak
Stylist and colour specialist,
D&A Hair Salon, Auckland



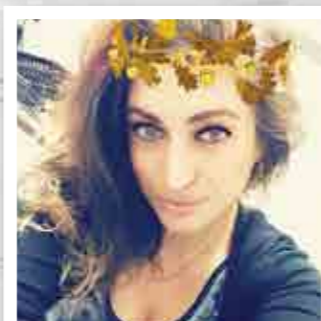
Amber Pomare
Salon manager
FMK First Millennium Keratin,
Auckland



Asa Ilaoa
Makeup artist and retail assistant,
M.A.C, Auckland



Nadia Te Tane
Colour technician and retail
assistant,
Rodney Wayne, Auckland



Anisoara Valentina
Williams
Senior colourist,
Hue Salon, Auckland



Michael Pham
Barber,
The Boss Men's Grooming
Lounge, Auckland



Ginelle Aspinall
Hair stylist and makeup artist,
freelance/self-employed



Danny Edwards
Owner,
Nexus Barbershop, Barber of the
Year 2016 and happy employer of
Cut Above graduates



Danielle Strongman
& Kirsty Barrett
Joint salon owners, stylists and
makeup artists,
Hair On High Street, Auckland

Our
industry
partners



Entry criteria

Level 2 programme

Applicants need to be aged between 16 and 19 years of age at the start of their course, have no qualification, or only NCEA Level 1.

Level 3 programmes

Applicants are preferred to be at least 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 Stylist: Entry is open to graduates of the New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support) Level 3, or candidates with equivalent skills/qualifications.

Professional Makeup Artistry for Fashion, Film and Media: Entry is open to beginners at least 16 years or older who are able to demonstrate at least 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 a sufficient standard of spoken and written English.

Class times

Class times run from 9am-4pm Monday to Friday. All sessions are compulsory. Students are required to complete between 5-10 hours of self-directed learning per week in addition to face-to-face classes. Level 4 hairdressing hours run from 9am-4pm during class weeks, and from 9am-5pm (including one late night until 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.

Industry partnerships

Industry partnerships are current at time of printing but are subject to change.

Weta Workshop do a "behind the scenes" tour and workshop on how they create the special effects that are part of movies such as Lord of the Rings for students on the Diploma in Special Effects and Prosthetic Make Up. However this day trip to Wellington is not guaranteed and may be subject to change.

Loans and allowances

Cut Above courses are eligible for the Government's fees-free policy.

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 up to a maximum of NZ\$12,000. Check if you are eligible for fees-free study using the tool at: 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 must apply for a student loan if you need to borrow money for course-related costs or living costs. If you need a student loan for course-related costs or living costs, you must apply through Studylink. It is important that you complete your Studylink application as soon as possible. This can be done at: studylink.govt.nz

Processing applications

Information for both the allowance and student loan schemes is 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

0800 CUT ABOVE

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info@cutabove.co.nz

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

Phone us to schedule a personal interview with our 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 for achieving your goals.

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

cutabove.ac.nz

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Choose
your course



Check the
enrolment
requirements



Contact us
for more
information, and
to set up a tour



Enroll!

Course advisors

info@cutabove.co.nz

Contact us

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City campus

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Auckland
New Zealand
(09) 309 0689

South campus

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Manukau, Auckland
New Zealand
(09) 302 3931

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