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Welcome to AIS Multicultural Family

NZQA
Category 1

Established in 1990, Auckland Institute of Studies (AIS) is one of New Zealand's leading private degree-granting institutions. We provide a wide range of NZQA-approved qualifications, including certificate, diploma, undergraduate degree, graduate diploma, and postgraduate diploma and degree programmes for domestic and international students.

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Discover Auckland: Where City Life Meets Nature

Modern City Life

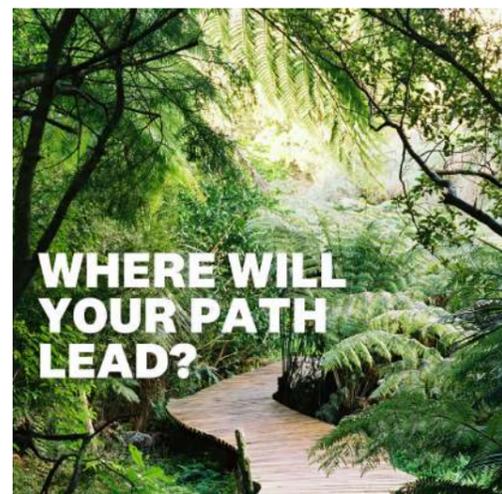
Auckland, New Zealand's largest city, offers a dynamic and modern lifestyle. The city center is alive with arts, music, and entertainment, giving you countless ways to unwind after classes or work. It's also a hub for business and innovation, offering networking opportunities and part-time work that can enrich your student experience.

Multicultural Environment

Auckland is a true melting pot of cultures, with people from over 200 ethnicities living together. Walking through the city, you'll encounter a rich mix of languages, festivals, and cuisines from authentic Asian, European, and Pacific Island dishes to vibrant cultural events year-round. This diversity creates an inclusive, welcoming atmosphere, making it easier for international students to feel at home.

Harbour and Water Activities

The city is famously built around two harbours, offering breathtaking waterfront views and endless water activities. The waterfront is also perfect for relaxing walks, jogging along the promenade, or dining with a view of the sparkling sea and distant islands.



Stunning Natural Landscapes

Auckland uniquely combines urban living with nature. Within a short drive, you can explore pristine beaches, native forests, and volcanic landscapes. The iconic Rangitoto Island and Waitakere Ranges offer hiking trails with panoramic views of the city and ocean. Imagine weekends spent exploring untouched nature, taking photos of sunsets over the harbour, or simply relaxing in a peaceful park after a busy week.

Outdoor Adventures and Sports

Auckland is a paradise for anyone who loves the outdoors. You could surf at black-sand beaches like Piha or Muriwai, hike volcanic cones and lush nature trails, or cycle along scenic coastal paths. Kayaking, paddleboarding, and even paragliding are popular activities for students seeking adventure. The city's mild climate and abundance of green spaces mean you can enjoy nature all year round.

Balanced Lifestyle

Life in Auckland allows you to enjoy both excitement and relaxation. After a day of studying, you could unwind in a lively cafe, attend cultural events, or take a short drive to a quiet beach. The city encourages a healthy, balanced lifestyle, combining opportunities for socialising, fitness, and cultural experiences, giving you a sense of freedom and well-being.

Family Fun and Community

If you're planning to bring family or want a sense of community, Auckland has plenty to offer. The city has excellent schools, family-friendly attractions, museums, zoos, and parks. Weekend activities could include exploring interactive museums, picnicking at scenic spots, or enjoying outdoor sports together. Safe neighborhoods and welcoming communities make it easy for families and students alike to feel comfortable and engaged.



New Zealand's largest city is home to 1.7 million people from Māori, European, Pacific and Asian cultures



Relaxed, safe lifestyle and much more affordable than Sydney, New York or London



Great shopping, dining, nightlife, sports and recreation



A stunning location between two harbours, with easy access to beaches and mountains



Mild, temperate climate without seasonal extremes



Find Your Way for a Better Future

We are large enough and old enough to give you a world-class quality education and small enough to know you by name and provide an individual focus within a supportive environment to help you achieve real world success.

Dr Lehan J. Stemmet, President

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94%

Successful
Course
Completion

Message from the President

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa, a very warm welcome to Auckland Institute of Studies (AIS).

We look forward to walking alongside you as you embark on this transformative educational journey. At AIS, we believe in your potential to learn, grow, and thrive - not just academically, but personally and professionally. Here, you will forge meaningful connections with fellow students from around the globe - connections that may evolve into lifelong friendships and a powerful international network. Joining AIS in 2026 means becoming part of a vibrant, multicultural community at one of New Zealand's most respected private institutions. With over 35 years of excellence in higher education, AIS has proudly supported thousands of students in achieving their academic and career goals. We have a proud history, and you will join a growing group of over 8300 degree and postgraduate level alumni once you complete your graduate and postgraduate qualifications with us.

You have made a good decision to invest in your education and to continue your studies at AIS. We are a Category 1 private education provider (rated in 2023 for a four-year period). That means you can be highly confident that AIS is a high performing education provider based on an External Evaluation and Review (EER) process set by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA). We are one of the leading, largest and longest-established private undergraduate and postgraduate degree granting institutions in New Zealand.

The learning and development of each student are guided by qualified and experienced staff in our academic as well as service departments. They are committed to help you achieve success. We have created learning pathways and support strategies to cater for the different skills and abilities of individual students. This helps to maximise your opportunities to achieve your goals, and we want you to succeed - it is our mission to develop individuals as valued contributors in local, national, and international communities.

Earning an AIS academic qualification is a significant achievement and requires each student to demonstrate a high level of personal commitment, endurance, independence, critical thinking, the ability to work with others, and integrity - to be solution focussed. These are all key competencies for 21st Century workplaces and for those interested in a more entrepreneurial career focus.

We work closely with industry stakeholders and employers to ensure our programmes align with real-world expectations. We support students moving forward in their careers through internships, career advice, post qualification placement support, and an effective alumni network, empowering you to take the next step with confidence.

Studying at AIS is a uniquely rewarding and positively challenging experience. If you're ready to pursue your goals with purpose and passion, we're ready to support you every step of the way.



Quality, Supportive, Education for you

Being recognised as a NZQA Category 1 provider, AIS instills confidence by ensuring your enrolment in one of New Zealand's most extensive and well-established independent tertiary education institutions. Explore a diverse array of competitively priced certificate, diploma, degree, graduate, and postgraduate programmes – all authorised by NZQA and acknowledged both within New Zealand and globally. Our esteemed academic faculty, comprising leaders in their respective fields, are actively engaged in research and dedicated to delivering optimal educational results for you.

- Great Value – NZQA Approved
- High Quality Academic Staff
- Support in your Language
- Multicultural Environment
- Individual Focus
- Immigration and Visas
- Employment
- Internships
- Industry Links
- Fast-Track Programmes and Flexible Entry Dates
- Cross-Credits
- Rewarding Excellence
- Large, Spacious Campus
- Transport
- Trusted Advisors
- Māori and Pasifika Scholarships



Why You Should Choose AIS?



The Highlights Over 36 Years

Quality Education

As a NZQA Category 1 provider AIS offers you the reassurance of knowing you have enrolled in one of New Zealand's largest and longest established independent Tertiary Education Organisations. Take advantage of a wide range of attractively priced diploma, degree, graduate and postgraduate qualifications, all approved by NZQA and recognised within New Zealand and internationally. Members of our well respected academic staff are leaders in their fields and committed to providing you with the best possible educational outcome.



Individual Focus

You are much more than just another student at AIS. Our class sizes are considerably smaller than many other Tertiary Education Organisations, guaranteeing you better access to academic staff when you need it and maximising your learning opportunities. Our fast track programmes, flexible entry dates and cross credit recognition mean you can take advantage of previous studies and achieve your educational goals quickly.



Supportive Environment

It's important that you feel confident and comfortable while you are studying – especially if you are a long way from home. The park-like grounds of the St Helens campus add to the peaceful atmosphere of the institute – and are only 10 minutes drive to the centre of Auckland. Live on campus at our student hostel, catch up with your work in our library and unwind at our gymnasium – all protected by on-campus security. Our friendly and approachable Student Services and Marketing team are always available to give the best pastoral support possible – in your own language.



Student Satisfaction



98%

Real World Success

At AIS we understand that you are studying because you need options in the future - options for further study, for employment or even for immigration. Our industry – focused programmes are carefully designed to provide the training you will need to succeed. Gain relevant New Zealand work experience on the AIS MBA Internship Pathway or the AIS Graduate Placement Service. With students from over 40 countries on campus, as an AIS alumnus you will build an international network of contacts and life-long friends.



**Culture
Fest**



**Culture
Fest**

**Pasifika
Association**



**Pasifika
Association**

**Dragon Boat
Festival**



**Dragon Boat
Festival**

**Diwali
Festival**



**Diwali
Festival**

**Alumni
Event**



**Alumni
Event**

**Spanish
Language
Week**



**Spanish
Language
Week**

Discover the excitement of Events and Activities

Cultural Celebrations and Learning

Dive into the vibrant traditions, stories, and languages of our diverse community through events that celebrate culture. From Matariki (Māori New Year) to global festivities like the Spring Festival, Diwali, and Dragon Boat Festival, each event is an opportunity to explore unique customs and shared values.

We also honour the beauty of language and cultural identity with various Language Weeks, showcasing the many cultures that make up our community.



Culture Fest 2025



Culture Fest 2024

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Nationalities
in the AIS
Student Body

20+

Events/
Activities per
Academic Year

Career Connections & Insights: AIS Talks Event

Engage with industry experts and successful AIS alumni in this dynamic event, where they will share their career journeys, challenges, and insights. Perfect for students who want practical advice, networking opportunities, and insider tips on building a successful career.

Highlights:

- Industry and alumni panel discussions.
- Career tips and Q&A sessions.
- Networking with professionals from various fields.

Academic and Professional Development

Build your future with events hosted by the AIS Accounting Club and AIS IT Club. From networking opportunities with industry professionals to practical workshops, these events provide a platform to develop skills, share ideas, and prepare for career success.

Interest-Based Activities

Celebrate diverse interests and hobbies through events designed to bring people together. Whether it's the adrenaline of Sports Week or capturing moments during Photo Day, these activities are perfect for connecting with peers who share your passions.

Health and Wellbeing Initiatives

Promoting a positive and supportive environment, our health and wellbeing events focus on creating awareness and fostering care. Participate in activities during Pink Shirt Day, Mental Health Awareness Week, and Sign Language Week to learn how to support others, enhance self-care, and advocate for kindness and inclusion.

AIS talks EVENT





MBA Programme

An MBA at AIS equips you with all the tools required to embark on a flourishing career. While a Business Management degree focuses on planning and organising, a Business Administration qualification at AIS gives you a broad business background, with plenty of options to specialise in your chosen field.

For three decades, AIS has empowered future leaders with an MBA that combines academic rigour, real-world relevance, and global opportunity.

4 Specialisations Available in MBA

International Business

Marketing

Operations and Logistics

Finance

Celebrating 30 Years of Excellence in MBA Education

People with a postgraduate business qualification, particularly an MBA, earn more than those without, sometimes up to twice as much.

Advance your career and secure managerial roles by completing postgraduate studies in Business Administration at AIS.

Existing managers can improve their lateral thinking and develop broader skills by learning how to undertake research, problem-solve, be pro-active, apply new ideas and think strategically.

Students at the beginning of their careers who want to get ahead will benefit from experiential learning, sound corporate values, professional skills development and overall personal growth.

Our combination of lectures, workshops and seminars allows you to practise and apply your learning in an environment that imitates the real business world. Business Administration classes are scheduled at weekends so you can upskill and study while continuing to earn.

Our faculty staff will teach you international best practice and have been chosen for their blend of academic qualifications, research activities, current business and consulting experience, international involvement and teaching skills.

95% Successful Course Completion

Graduates of MBA Programmes Are Now:

- Continuous Improvement Engineer – Fisher and Paykel Healthcare
- Legal Support – Ministry of Justice
- Finance Manager – Franklin Smith
- Financial Accountant – Fuji Film
- Project Finance Partner – KiwiRail
- Logistics Specialist – Cardinal Logistics Ltd
- Project Support Co-Ordinator/EMR TrakCare, CSSD, Redevelopment Projects – Mercy Ascot Hospital
- Operations & Supply Manager – Wuyi Company Ltd
- Support Officer, Mortgage, Credit and Cards Services – HSBC Bank
- Finance Business Partner – Auckland Council
- Settlement & Customer Fulfilment Officer – Neo Prime Ltd.

MĀTAU (Knowledge/Understanding)
Being an AIS student is a positive experience as our graduates and students will testify. Common feedback is that AIS is an institute with friendly and helpful staff and internationally reputable courses and qualifications.



Richard Perillo
PGDBA Alumni ~ currently Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand

AIS Alumni Richard Perillo, equipped with a PGDBA from AIS in 2018, exemplifies the transformative power of education.

His path from AIS student to a Barrister and Solicitor in New Zealand's High Court reflects the institution's lasting impact.

Through the PGDBA, Richard gained a holistic grasp of business, honing skills in finance, marketing, leadership, and networking. These skills, cultivated at AIS, proved vital in a competitive professional landscape. As he graduated, his knowledge and confidence propelled him globally, underscoring the enduring value of an AIS education.

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My journey has been profoundly shaped by the comprehensive education I received at AIS.

Richard Perillo
PGDBA Alumni



PGCBA	Postgraduate Certificate in Business Administration Domestic Fees (NZD) \$9,060 International Fees (NZD) \$14,160	Level 8 6 Months 60 Credits
PGDBA	Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration Domestic Fees (NZD) \$18,120 International Fees (NZD) \$28,320	Level 8 12 Months 120 Credits
MBA	Mater of Business Administration Domestic Fees (NZD) \$27,180 International Fees (NZD) \$42,480	Level 9 18 Months 180 Credits



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Irina Boiarova
Programme: PGCBA+ MBA
Country: Russia

I love studying at AIS because it offers a truly supportive and diverse learning environment. The small class sizes mean I can engage more closely with my lecturers, who are approachable, experienced, and genuinely invested in my success. I appreciate the practical, real-world focus of the programs, which connect academic theory with professional application, preparing me for future career opportunities.

I also enjoy the multicultural community at AIS. Meeting classmates from all over the world has expanded my perspectives, helped me build lifelong friendships, and improved my cross-cultural communication skills. The campus itself is welcoming, with excellent facilities and a friendly atmosphere that makes learning enjoyable and motivating.



Veronica Widjaja
Programme: MBA
Country: Indonesia

Coming from a background in Visual Communication Design and returning to study after 17 years, I was initially unsure about pursuing an MBA at AIS. Economics was not my undergraduate major, and I worried about keeping up. However, AIS proved the perfect choice. The lecturers were incredibly supportive, the campus community was welcoming, and I even had the chance to serve on the Student Council. Despite language and cultural challenges, AIS provided the right environment to learn, grow, and feel at home in New Zealand. I am deeply grateful for this journey.



Seini Halaapiapi Finau
Programme: Bachelor of Tourism Management and MBA
Country: Tonga

My experience has been both rewarding and transformative. I first completed my Bachelor of Tourism Management here in 2021, and after gaining five years of professional experience with New Zealand's largest grocery retailer – Foodstuffs, I recognised the need to upskill in preparation for higher leadership opportunities. The supportive and easily adaptable environment at AIS encouraged me to return in November 2024 to pursue my MBA in Operations & Logistics and Marketing, which I will complete by June 2026. What I value most is AIS's culture of supporting every individual student. The lecturers are approachable, knowledgeable, and committed to student success, while small class sizes foster collaboration and meaningful engagement. The multicultural student community has further enriched my studies by offering diverse perspectives and global insights.



Manuel Turcios
Programme: MBA
Country: El Salvador

My journey at AIS began in 2019 when I came for four months as an English language student. I was prepared to pass the IELTS and continue my MBA studies. In 2022, during the pandemic, I began my MBA studies and, within 18 months, received a top-quality education that undoubtedly broadened my knowledge horizons and strengthened my professional capabilities. My journey continues with AIS as I joined as an Academic Internship Coordinator and a Lecturer in the Bachelor of Business program, which is a fantastic opportunity. Having the chance to study at AIS has undoubtedly been a journey of learning and development that has strengthened my knowledge, skills, and attitudes.



Andy Wang
Programme: MBA
Country: China

Since the MBA classes are held only at weekends, I have plenty of time to explore New Zealand. With support from the Student Support Centre at AIS, I was able to settle into my studies smoothly, adapt to life in New Zealand, and overcome challenges both academically and personally. This experience has allowed me to truly appreciate the culture, society, economy, and values of this beautiful and peaceful country — a foundation that will benefit my future career.



Eric Jacob
Programme: MBA
Country: India

The MBA course here has engaging and knowledgeable professors who help us apply what we learn to real-world situations, which I feel is key to success. Studying at AIS is helping me develop not only the skills I need to excel professionally but also the ability to integrate into New Zealand culture. There is a genuine sense of family and belonging here.



Cristina Andrea Ortiz LAVINA
Programme: MBA
Country: Philippines

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Mere Elder
Programme: MBA
Country: Fiji

My experience here has been incredibly rewarding. The management team and lecturers are exceptionally supportive, always ready to guide us through any academic issues and our programs with clarity and patience. The university's administration team has also been a constant source of help, ensuring that students feel supported in every aspect of their academic journey. One of the most enriching aspects of AIS is its cultural diversity; the integration of students from various backgrounds creates a vibrant and inclusive learning environment. As an international student, I feel safe and well-supported from the first day I got here, and I have been loving my journey with AIS ever since. I'm truly honored to be part of AIS and grateful for this opportunity.

Saksham Chawla
Programme: MBA
Country: India

Getting admission into this programme feels like an important milestone, as it will help me develop my knowledge, leadership skills, and strategic thinking. Although it is just the beginning, I am already looking forward to the opportunities to learn from experienced faculty, engage with peers from diverse backgrounds, and apply the concepts to real-world business challenges. The staff at AIS has been very supportive and welcoming, which makes the experience even more encouraging. I believe this programme will not only enhance my career prospects but also shape me into a more confident and capable professional.



Ayaka Kawarabata
Programme: MBA
Country: Japan



I have been studying at AIS for a year. AIS makes me feel comfortable because there are friendly staff members, and they are always willing to support students. It feels like family to me in New Zealand. In addition, the students in AIS come from different backgrounds and countries, which is exactly what I expected in New Zealand. The school also provides opportunities to experience different cultures through events. I really enjoy studying at AIS and being a part of this international environment.



3 Specialist Topics are available

Networks and Security

Information Systems

Software Development

Information Technology

Incorporating both hands-on training and theoretical knowledge, our IT programmes ensure graduates have skills that are attractive to global employers. Regular industry visits are combined with first-class teaching, to provide students with a valuable addition to their CV or job application.

IT Has Some of the Highest Paid Jobs in New Zealand

Several Information Technology (IT) occupations are in short supply in New Zealand and thousands of IT jobs are regularly advertised in this country. Begin, or further develop, a successful IT career by enrolling in one of our high quality programmes.

Local work placement opportunities are available as part of your study programme so you can gain relevant experience to help secure a well-paying job after graduation. All of our IT students are issued with a laptop as part of their resource fees and receive free Microsoft software.

Bachelor's or postgraduate degree holders can plan to live and work in New Zealand, discovering opportunities and broadening their horizons in a vibrant setting.

IT Has Some of the Highest Paid Jobs in New Zealand

IT salary guide

Graduates of Information Technology Programmes Are Now:

- HR Administrator – Auckland DHB
- Software Developer – Flow Software
- Network Operations Centre Engineer – Kinetics Group
- Information Technology Support Analyst – 2Degrees
- Software Engineer – TPS
- Integration analyst – Sandfield
- Operations Controller – EchoChill Ltd
- IT Support – Manukau Institute of Technology
- IT Tech – The Instillery
- Junior Systems Engineer – Lucidity Cloud Services

HANGARAU (Technology)
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Jasper Bacani
PGDIT Alumni ~ Currently Property Technology Coordinator, Diocesan School for Girls

Jasper's journey from the Philippines to New Zealand to pursue a PGDIT at AIS was both challenging and rewarding.

"I embraced the opportunity to learn advanced IT concepts like software development and systems analysis, while adapting to a new culture and work environment."

AIS's supportive community and diverse, hands-on projects provided invaluable real-world experience, helping Jasper transition smoothly into this new chapter.



The diverse, hands-on projects helped me apply my skills in real-world scenarios.

Jasper Bacani
PGDIT Alumni

NZDITTS

New Zealand Diploma in Information Technology Technical Support
Domestic Fees (NZD) \$6,800
International Fees (NZD) \$24,360

Level 5
120 Credits
12 Months

BIT

Bachelor of Information Technology
Domestic Fees (NZD) \$20,400
\$6,800 per year / 120 credits
International Fees (NZD) \$73,080
\$24,360 per year / 120 credits

Level 7
360 Credits
36 Months

GDIT

Graduate Diploma in Information Technology
Domestic Fees (NZD) \$7,650
International Fees (NZD) \$27,405

Level 7
135 Credits
12 Months

PGDIT

Postgraduate Diploma in Information Technology
Domestic Fees (NZD) \$8,840
International Fees (NZD) \$28,320

Level 8
120 Credits
12 Months

MIT

Master of Information Technology
Domestic Fees (NZD) \$13,260
International Fees (NZD) \$42,480

Level 9
180 Credits
20 Months



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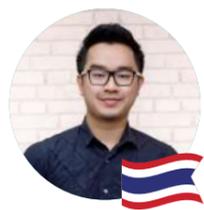
Nicolás Alejandro Ferrón
Programme: NZCEL5 + MIT
Country: Argentina

When I arrived at AIS, I never imagined the tremendous experience I would gain. I started with the NZCEL L5 course, an intensive English course where you learn to communicate, write, and develop professional skills. I then went on to MIT, focusing on Software Development, where I was able to explore topics in greater depth and others I'd never seen before. This gave me the necessary knowledge to enter the job market and now be able to use new technologies. Needless to say, one of the best things about studying at AIS is the excellent human quality of the professors, colleagues, and the Marketing and Support departments. I was very happy with my results; it wasn't easy, but it was definitely worth it.



Emily Xiao
Programme: Master of IT
Country: China

I developed strong technical and analytical skills through hands-on learning in areas like cloud computing, AI, and software development. The lecturers were incredibly supportive and always encouraged us to think critically and apply our knowledge to real-world problems. The multicultural environment at AIS also gave me valuable exposure to diverse perspectives and improved my communication and teamwork skills. These experiences prepared me well for my current role as a Cloud Support Engineer at one of the top IT companies. Studying at AIS not only enhanced my technical foundation but also built my confidence to succeed in the global tech industry.



Jirayu Saisuwan
Programme: Master of IT
Country: Thailand

Studying at AIS has been one of the most valuable experiences in my academic journey. The supportive lecturers, practical coursework, and diverse environment helped me grow both personally and professionally. Through the Master of Information Technology programme, I gained strong technical and research skills that prepared me for real-world projects. Receiving consecutive Academic Excellence Awards reflected AIS's high-quality education and encouragement that truly shaped my confidence to pursue a successful career in technology.



Fusi Ha'apai Vaka'uta
Programme: Bachelor of IT
Country: Tonga

Moving to New Zealand was a big change, and at first, I had to work hard to adapt to a new environment, but over time I found my place and grew stronger through the challenges. The supportive lecturers and close-knit class sizes helped me feel at home, and I was honored to serve as President of the AIS Pasifika Association, where I worked to support and represent our Pasifika community on campus. AIS didn't just prepare me for my career – it shaped me as a person, gave me confidence, and provided a family away from home that I will always treasure.



Tharaneetharan Thavarasan
Programme: Master of IT
Country: Sri Lanka

I am very happy to be part of AIS. My academic journey here has been excellent, and I have felt welcomed from the very first day of my studies. The lecturers are extremely supportive, helpful, and friendly, and all the AIS staff have been equally supportive. The facilities available at AIS are highly useful and contribute greatly to the students' learning experience.



'Ovatini Filihia
Programme: Master of IT
Country: Tonga

I am deeply thankful for all my lecturers—both from my earlier studies and those guiding me in the master's programme. They have not only supported me academically but have dedicated themselves to equipping me with the skills and knowledge I need to reach my goals and realise my dreams.

Studying at AIS has been a blessing, and I'm eager to continue this journey with faith and determination.



Bruno Henrique da Silva
Programme: Master of IT
Country: Brazil

The experience was remarkable in every way. The teachers always showed attention and commitment, while the dynamic and well-structured classes gave me the confidence to progress. The multicultural environment at AIS also created a welcoming atmosphere that helped me grow not only academically but also personally.

With this solid foundation, I achieved my goal of enrolling in the MIT, where I am currently continuing my studies. The classes offer constantly updated content connected to market demands, the teachers are highly qualified, and the academic structure at AIS is truly excellent. All of this inspires me every day and prepares me for the greatest challenges of my career.



Ethan Yang
Programme: Bachelor of IT
Country: China

Studying here feels truly special, quite different from my past experiences. The environment is relaxed, without that constant pressure, which allows me to focus better and feel more eager to explore new things.

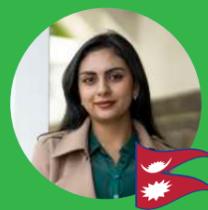
Many times I find that learning is no longer just about completing tasks, but has genuinely become an enjoyable process. This state of mind makes me feel at ease and gives me confidence that these gains will stay with me for a long time.

Shrizal Gautam
Programme: Bachelor of IT
Country: Nepal

My time at AIS has been truly rewarding. The supportive and approachable lecturers make complex topics easier to understand, and they are always willing to guide students whenever we need help. The programme is well-structured and provides a great balance of theoretical knowledge and practical skills, which I believe is preparing me well for a future career in IT.

What I appreciate most about AIS is the multicultural environment. Studying alongside classmates from diverse backgrounds has broadened my perspective and improved my communication skills. The friendly campus atmosphere and student support services also make it easier to adapt and stay motivated.

Overall, I feel proud to be a part of AIS. It has given me the confidence, knowledge, and opportunities to grow academically and personally. I would happily recommend AIS to anyone looking for quality education and a welcoming learning environment in New Zealand.





Business Programme

We provide a broad range of internationally-recognised Business Studies qualifications across all key areas of business: management, marketing, accounting, economics and communication. All courses are NZQA-approved, helping you make the most of your development and progress in your chosen profession.

Become Problem-solving Professionals Who Can Adapt to a Fast-changing World.

The business world is constantly and rapidly changing, and so are the tasks employees perform. Stakeholders' expectations from business graduates are also evolving, and students need to be prepared for the future of work. Aside from technical skills, other attributes such as resilience, core transferable skills, flexibility and moral citizenship are critical requirements of business graduate employability.

The Business qualifications aim to develop graduates who are critical thinkers, lifelong learners and contributors to local and international communities. The qualifications align with the New Zealand Government's Tertiary Education Strategy of providing learners with a high-quality education that incorporates Aotearoa New Zealand's culture and history, enabling them to meet current and future work needs and contribute to the economy and society. Graduates will be well-equipped to meet the needs of employers, including those in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors. In addition, graduates will have acquired both general and specialist knowledge in business, experience in applying that knowledge, and transferrable skills.

Business students will be able to choose a study pathway in an area where there is demand for those skills, including Accounting, Marketing, Procurement and Supply Chain Management, Facilities Management, Tourism and Hospitality Management, and Healthcare Management.

6 Study Pathways

Accounting

Marketing

Facilities Management

Procurement and Supply Chain Management

Tourism and Hospitality Management

Healthcare Management



NZDHM

New Zealand Diploma in Hospitality Management Level 5
 Domestic Fees (NZD) \$5,960 120 Credits
 International Fees (NZD) \$23,200 12 Months

BBus

Bachelor of Business Level 7
 Domestic Fees (NZD) \$17,880 360 Credits
\$5,960 per year / 120 credits 36 Months
 International Fees (NZD) \$69,600
\$23,200 per year / 120 credits

GDBus

Graduate Diploma in Business Level 7
 Domestic Fees (NZD) \$6,555 120 Credits
 International Fees (NZD) \$23,200 12 Months



Become a Professionally Qualified Accountant

The Bachelor of Business is accredited by CPA Australia and Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ). By selecting the right electives, you can satisfy the the academic requirements for admission to CAANZ and CPA Australia membership, putting yourself on the front foot for a career in accounting. As the only New Zealand private tertiary education provider to have this accreditation, you can be assured of the quality of the Bachelor of Business study pathway in Accounting.

Graduates of Business Programmes Are Now:

- Auditor – KPMG
- Project Account Administrator – Avida
- Manager – Continental Motel
- Officer – Department of Corrections
- Casino Dealer – Sky City
- Warehouse Assistant – Elite Medical
- Gate Keeper – Link Alliance
- Customer Service Representative – DX Mail

KAIPAKIHI (Business)
 At AIS we understand that you are studying because you need options in the future - options for further study, for employment or even for immigration.



Agnivesh Nomula
 GDBus Alumni ~ currently Business Manager for Link2 Recruitment (NZ) Ltd

Agnivesh pursued a Graduate Diploma in Business at AIS in 2017-18 and is now employed as a Business Manager at Link2 Recruitment (NZ) Ltd.

"The strategic planning and organisational management skills acquired at AIS have significantly fueled my career.

Coming from a city in India, the allure of Auckland and the hands-on learning approach at AIS drew me in.

Passionate tutors encouraged me to explore diverse modes of learning and experimentation, shaping my approach to professional development. The broad field of business continually captivates me, from strategy development to financial management and marketing insights. This transformative journey at AIS opened doors to endless possibilities. It's a full circle, as I now recruit students for enticing roles, transitioning from student to recruiter," says Agnivesh.



Thanks to the knowledge gained from AIS, it has helped me a lot in my career and personal growth.

Diep Gia Phuc Ho (David)
 BHM Alumni



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Tanvi Kenjorbhat
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: India

Studying at AIS has been an enriching experience, providing me with strong academic knowledge and practical skills that are essential in today's business world.

The lecturers are highly supportive, always encouraging critical thinking and real-world application of concepts. The multicultural environment at AIS has not only expanded my perspectives but also helped me develop excellent communication and teamwork skills.

I am truly grateful to be part of AIS and highly recommend it to anyone seeking a quality education in a professional and welcoming environment.



An Hoàng Khánh
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: Vietnam

Studying at AIS has been one of the most memorable experiences of my life. As an international student, I was initially nervous and unfamiliar with many things, but the supportive teachers and friendly staff made me feel truly welcomed. I am especially grateful to Ms. Dora and Ms. Beena, whose guidance and encouragement inspired me throughout my journey. Over nearly three years at AIS, I have not only gained valuable knowledge in Accounting but also learned from inspiring talks and real-life experiences shared by professionals. AIS has truly become my second home in New Zealand.



Maria Madalena Fatima da Silva Baptista
Programme: New Zealand Diploma in Hospitality Management (Level 5)
Country: Timor Leste

The advanced learning system, professional lecturers, and high-quality facilities helped me grow and learn more about hospitality management, which combines theory with real industry practice, developing my practical skills and confidence in customer service, communication, and operations. Studying at AIS also provided an incredible experience because of its culturally diverse campus environment, which allowed me to understand different perspectives and communication styles. Overall, the Hospitality Management programme at AIS has equipped me with the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful professional career.



Jiahe Li
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: China

I've found a clear and inspiring path to grow in this fast-moving Kiwi environment. The mix of practical courses, real case studies, and supportive networks—such as helpful career workshops and friendly student events—has given me valuable experiences, new perspectives, and useful skills.

The friendships and connections I've made along the way have also been a big part of the journey. Casual corridor chats, group work, and shared laughs have turned into meaningful relationships. It has been a rewarding experience, and I feel genuinely grateful for everything I've learnt and for what's still ahead.



Luis Fidel Castillo Secenas
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: Mexico

At AIS, I have learned the essentials for thriving in New Zealand. Through its quality education, and multiple support networks the school offers, I have been able to earn the experience, knowledge and skills that will boost my whole life once I graduate. And that doesn't include all the friends and connections I have made since I started my studies!



Joshua Padua
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: Philippines

My time at AIS has been the most fun and fulfilling experience. All the staff especially student support had my back both with life and academics. They do their utmost best to create a holistic learning environment for their students. I could not recommend enough that others should also choose AIS.



Cennita Valensia
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: Indonesia

One of the best things about AIS is the supportive lecturers. They help students not only academically but also emotionally, which makes assignments and exams feel much less intimidating. Knowing they are always available to help me to succeed.

There are lots of clubs at AIS to explore, and I joined the Accounting Club since accounting was new to me. The club keeps us updated with information about guest talks, office visits, and networking events, which has been really helpful in building my knowledge and connecting with professionals.



Sepasitiano Paulo
Programme: New Zealand Diploma in Hospitality Management (Level 5)
Country: Samoa

My learning experience at the Auckland Institute of Studies in 2025 has been, without exaggeration, the most enriching chapter of my professional and personal development. The curriculum has been exceptional for upgrading my skills in Business Management, but the learning has extended far beyond the classroom.

I've had the privilege of connecting with students and staff from all over the world. Listening to their stories and learning about their cultures has been a masterclass in communication and respect. Hearing about the strengths they drew upon and the challenges they overcame to pursue an education in New Zealand has been both humbling and inspiring, echoing my own journey in many ways.

Uinise Fakava
Programme: Bachelor of Business
Country: Tonga

AIS's recognition of my Tongan qualifications through cross-credits, combined with affordable fees, made my New Zealand education dream achievable. The NZCEL programme taught me essential academic skills like speaking, writing, referencing, and time management that proved invaluable throughout my business degree.

During my Bachelor of Business, I discovered my passion for strategic thinking and financial analysis. Practical case studies, real-world business scenarios, and group projects with international students gave me hands-on experience in problem-solving. My lecturers brought industry expertise into every lesson, connecting theory to actual business practices.

I evolved from a hesitant student to someone confident in leading business presentations and analysing market trends. For Pacific students seeking quality business education, AIS offers more than just a degree – it offers professional transformation.





English Language

It's always a good time to study English, and the English Language Centre (ELC) at AIS offers you everything you need to learn this exciting language. We offer a variety of English Language courses to suit every student's needs, even if you are a beginner. Our classes are designed to help you understand the English language, and our experienced ELC tutors will guide and support you every step.

The English Language Centre within AIS is one of the most experienced schools in New Zealand.

AIS originally opened as a School of Language in 1990 before expanding into other subjects. Today we remain passionate about helping students learn and improve their English.

Students from over 40 different countries study at AIS. This diverse mix of cultures creates a unique learning environment – you are never alone on your journey to improve your English!

Our English Language Centre offers a variety of programmes for all levels. Improve your everyday English or prepare for our diploma or degree programmes.

We offer classroom and tutorial lessons as well as free extra classes in pronunciation and listening comprehension. We also have a full activities programme and encourage you to take advantage of these outings to extend your learning beyond the classroom.



Student Work Rights

As an NZQA Category 1 provider, English language students of AIS who have a valid student visa and are studying **full-time for 14 weeks or more** are entitled to work up to **25 hours per week**.



GE / EFL

General English Beginner to Advanced
 Weekly Fees (NZD) \$131- 470 Full-time or Part-time
www.AIS.ac.nz/english

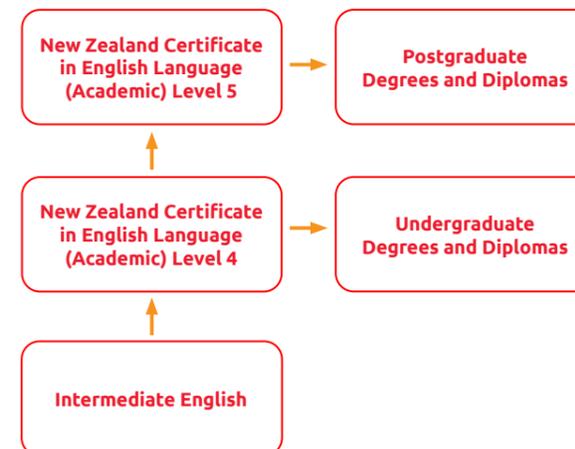
NZCEL L4

New Zealand Certificate in English Language Level 4
 60 Credits
 Domestic Fees (NZD) \$3,042
 International Fees (NZD) \$6,612 14 Weeks

NZCEL L5

New Zealand Certificate in English Language Level 5
 60 Credits
 Domestic Fees (NZD) \$3,042
 International Fees (NZD) \$6,612 14 Weeks

IELTS-Free Pathway to Academic Study



Activities

We also offer a range of extra activities and outings after class every day. Visit nearby destinations, from the top of Auckland's Sky Tower to its wild west coast beaches. Students get the chance to speak English while making friends and having fun.



Maria Isabel Suarez Jaimes
 NZCEL Level 4 Alumni ~ currently Insurance Consultant at IAG insurance (NZ)

Maria began her educational journey at AIS in 2019 with the NZCEL Level 4 programme, laying the foundation for her subsequent pursuit of a business degree with a marketing major.

Despite challenges, the lessons from AIS stayed with her: "Never give up on yourself and your foundation," says Maria.

Maria aimed for a career with significance. Joining IAG Insurance as a personal insurance consultant was a natural choice. In this role, she applies her marketing expertise while ensuring the security of individuals and families. Maria's transition from AIS to IAG Insurance underscores her steadfast commitment to personal and professional growth.



Starting at AIS laid the foundation for my success, and now at IAG Insurance, I'm ready to make a meaningful impact.

Maria Isabel Suarez Jaimes
 NZCEL Alumni



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Aithor Vann
Programme: NZCEL L5
Country: Cambodia

Studying NZCEL Level 5 at AIS was a significant step in my academic journey. Although it was considered challenging for me as international student, the courses in this programme, including academic writing, communication, research, and presentation skills, enabled my English skill and confidence in pursuing MBA programme. In addition, the supportive learning environment, excellent resources, and multicultural environment have helped me grow both personally and professionally.



Matías Oyarzun
Programme: General English
Country: Chile

My experience at AIS has been truly rewarding, giving me the chance to learn alongside many different cultures without fear of being judged. The strong sense of unity I built with classmates and professors has shaped me personally and academically. I also joined AIS with the hope that improving my English would open more doors in my professional career, and I am confident this goal has been achieved.



Peng Yuzheng
Programme: General English
Country: China

I truly enjoy my time studying at AIS in New Zealand. This is a very diverse school. At first, I felt a bit nervous, worried that I might not be able to adapt to life in an overseas campus. But once I started studying at AIS, I realized those concerns were unnecessary. The school is incredibly inclusive, and the students come from all over the world. Here, I've made friends from many different countries and have also had the chance to experience the richness of various cultures. Most of the teachers at AIS are locals from New Zealand, and their teaching methods are highly professional. Whenever I have questions or difficulties, the teachers are always patient and willing to help me. If you're considering studying in New Zealand, I believe AIS is the perfect choice for you.



Junyuan Ma
Programme: General English
Country: China

Studying at AIS marks a crucial step in my academic journey. Despite the challenges of the courses as an international student, my English proficiency and confidence have improved significantly through the development of academic writing, communication, research, and presentation skills.

The supportive learning environment, abundant resources, and multicultural atmosphere here not only help me make continuous academic progress but also enable me to achieve all-round growth in personal and professional development.



Elizabet Campana Ortega
Programme: General English
Country: Colombia

The classes are interactive and engaging, with small, multicultural groups that encourage participation and exchange. The teachers here are not only highly qualified but also incredibly warm and dedicated. Their support creates an atmosphere of trust and motivation, which makes learning both effective and enjoyable.

The materials and teaching aids are thoughtfully designed to help us grasp the language more easily and confidently. Every day, I feel more equipped to meet the challenges of my role and communicate more effectively in professional settings.

Studying at AIS has been a transformative experience. It's not just about learning English—it's about growing as a professional and as a person. I'm grateful for the opportunity to be part of such a vibrant and supportive learning community, and I look forward to applying everything I've learned in my career back home.



Pas Kampanathsanyakorn
Programme: General English
Country: Thailand

Coming to study at AIS, for me, I hope to improve my English skills. Which made me very good at this in just a few weeks. Not only did I develop language skills but I also got to exchange cultures with friends from other countries. These things received can be used effectively in studying and working in the future.



Anne Maeda
Programme: General English
Country: Japan

Studying at AIS has been a wonderful experience. Each class teaches me something new and helps me develop my skills. Besides improving my English, I've also learned a lot about other cultures. I'm sure the things I've learned here will be useful for my future.



Loimata Huimeilangi Longopoa
Programme: NZCEL L4 + BBus
Country: Tonga

The NZCEL programme provided a strong foundation for my academic studies, particularly in developing my research, writing, and referencing skills. It also enhanced my ability to communicate ideas effectively in both written and oral formats. Furthermore, the presentation components of the course helped strengthen my confidence in public speaking, which has contributed positively to my academic performance and overall learning experience.



Victoria Vanesa Calderon Chavez
Programme: General English
Country: Mexico

Without a doubt, I have felt very comfortable and have noticed significant progress in my English skills. I am now able to speak more fluently and with greater confidence. The teachers are exceptional and employ a teaching approach that differs from what I was previously accustomed to; however, this does not mean I dislike it.

On the contrary, I truly appreciate these new methods, as they have greatly contributed to my learning and progress. The facilities are also very comfortable, and I find it to be a place where I genuinely enjoy studying. I can confidently say that it is a place where I feel happy and fulfilled while studying in a country so different from my own.

Xinyuan Huang
Programme: General English
Country: China

I feel very honoured to join Auckland Institute of Studies, a warm and vibrant community. I'm thoroughly enjoying my time here.

At AIS, I've improved my language skills, made many international friends, and experienced genuine multicultural communication. Every day offers new chances to connect and grow. The teachers are professional, patient, and supportive, and they genuinely care about each student. My classmates are friendly and enthusiastic, and our lessons are always filled with interaction and laughter, making language learning natural, smooth, and motivating. The classroom atmosphere is relaxed and lively.

If you're looking for a place where you can grow, study in a welcoming environment, and meet friends from around the world, I believe AIS will be an excellent choice.



Gain Meaningful Work Experience

AIS is a member of Student Job Search (SJS), a nation-wide free service aimed at assisting domestic and international students in their search for employment. From one-off jobs around the home through to full-time graduate positions, SJS is a student's one-stop-shop for earning as you learn and gaining valuable on-the-job experience.

85%

Graduates in 2023 achieved relevant employment or further studies



AIS will help you find part-time or full-time work, internships and graduate work placements.

Writing your CV (resumé) and Cover Letter

A well-written CV and cover letter will help you to secure job interviews and get in front of potential employers.

AIS will help you tailor your CV to the specific industry or sector you're interested in.

Interview Preparation and Techniques

Practice your interview skills at AIS to improve your chances of securing a job or internship.

We will help you research prospective employers, assess your skills relative to a particular job description, and prepare some questions you can ask the interviewer about the position on offer.

Employability and immigration workshops, one on one consultations and interview coaching are available.

Searching for Work Opportunities

We can support you towards employment and give guidance on internship programmes and volunteer work.

Our extensive network of contacts within business, industry and the community allows us to continually promote AIS students and graduates.

Graduate Placement Service

The graduate placement programme is for students who have completed their qualification of study.

Students who have graduated can apply for this internship.

Contact details

E: studentcareers@ais.ac.nz

Internship Placement Services

The Student Placement coordinator arranges internships within specific programmes of study. We have extensive industry links to help you with an internship placement that is right for you.

Employer and Internship Provider Database

We are always seeking future opportunities for you and maintain a database of employers who are interested in AIS students and graduates for internships, placements and employment opportunities.

Coordination of internships

The Student Placement coordinator can help arrange internships and work placements around Auckland in your field of study.

Gain real world experience and boost your employment prospects.

Options include:

- Internships for *MBA, PGDBA, MIT, PGDIT, GDIT, GDBus, BIT* and *BBus*
- Other internships/placements offered by employers to AIS students

Industry relationships

You will benefit from our strong industry relationships and business contacts to help secure an appropriate internship placement.

We offer:

- Familiarisation visits and presentations from employers about "what it's like to work for us"
- Links to placement agencies and other professional bodies

Students getting opportunities via Internship Placement Services



Anjila Purja Pun, BBus



Nomomi Hattori, MBA



Serik Karimov, MBA



Nei Ruzeika Samat Abdeen, MBA



Anik Islam Khan, MBA



Marvin Reyes, PGDIT



Manya Grover, BBus



Rose Sheena Arnibal, MBA

AIS Alumni Association

Our belief is that tertiary study is not a short-term activity, but rather a life-long link between students, staff and AIS. AIS alumni members are dispersed throughout the world. The Alumni Association works to strengthen the relationship between the institute and its alumni community by keeping you in touch with what is happening in Auckland and in other centres around the world.



60,000+

Students Have Passed Through Our Doors

8,300

Degree-level Qualifications Awarded



We value our relationship with our Alumni. They are important to us because:



2025 Graduation Ceremony

- They keep us in touch with the past;
- Involved with the present, keeping our global communities vibrant; and
- Look towards the future, helping us to create a better learning environment.
- Some of our alumni now hold positions such as vice-presidents, general managers, purchasing managers, finance directors, operations supervisors and account managers in a wide variety of industries around the world. Their careers are truly impressive.
- Alumni functions are held in conjunction with other events on campus and overseas. Watch here for details. If you would like to be part of these events so that you can catch up with your ex-classmates. Join the AIS Alumni Association now!
- As life progresses, we hope you will remain an enduring member of the global AIS network - a community of bright, innovative people committed to making a difference.
- Already an alumni member, but haven't heard from us for a while? You might need to update your details. Please keep in touch and let us know what you are doing now.

Māori and Pasifika at AIS

Kia ora, Kia Orana, Talofa and Malo e lelei.

If you are of Māori or Pacific Island descent, you will find a warm welcome and sense of belonging at AIS. We have strong ties with sister schools in Tonga and Samoa, providing a seamless transition from their diploma qualifications to our degree programmes. Our cultural activities, groups and facilities are all designed to promote cultural understanding and Māori and Pasifika values on campus.

91%

Qualification Completion (Māori/Pacific)



96%

Successful Course Completion (Māori/Pacific)



Sela Maiolo Papalangi Faasisila
Bachelor of Business Alumni

Sela's journey at AIS is a testament to resilience and dedication. Sela's story exemplifies the supportive, individual-focused education that AIS champions.

"Auckland Institute of Studies is my other home. Studying at AIS with all their support led me to receive different opportunities, such as being one of the chosen recipients for the scholarship of the CPA programme, being a member of the AIS Accounting team and being chosen to be the treasurer for the Pasifika Student Association in the year 2023.

All these opportunities led me to who I am today! All the support, connection and experience proved to me that AIS stands by its values." Sela shared.

Sela highly recommends AIS for the supportive environment and opportunities for growth. Her positive experience highlights the value of studying at AIS.



Domestic

Your choice of tertiary provider is an important decision.

AIS welcomes students from all over the world but domestic students are central to campus life and our reputation for academic excellence and success. The ability to live at home with family or friends and commute to our campuses makes the transition to tertiary study an easy one.

You will receive a first-class education that will set you up for a successful career. There are numerous advantages at AIS for New Zealand citizens and those with permanent residency including fee subsidies, scholarships and Māori and Pacific Island cultural support. AIS can offer Domestic Students:

Fees-Free

Fees-free is a NZ Government policy to help people in their tertiary education. If you are eligible, up to \$12,000 of your fees will be free in your final year, including tuition fees and compulsory course costs. This policy applies to our diploma and bachelor's degree programmes.

For more information on fees-free at AIS, visit <https://www.ais.ac.nz/study/study-at-ais/fees-free>

Scholarships

AIS has a wide range of scholarships available to domestic students to help promote ethnic and gender diversity in the workplace, reward students with an outstanding academic record or help those who are suffering financial hardship. Some scholarships cover 100% of your tuition fees over multiple years – saving you thousands of dollars while securing a high-quality education.

To find out what scholarships are on offer at AIS, and how to apply, visit <https://www.ais.ac.nz/study/study-at-ais/ais-scholarships>

For a full description of our programmes on offer, visit <https://www.ais.ac.nz/full-programme-list>





Only eight minutes from City Centre via AIS shuttle



Free parking



Tennis courts



Sports teams



Fully equipped gymnasium



Library stocked with digital and traditional media



Affordable café including student training



On-campus accommodation



Computer labs and breakout rooms

Explore the Lush Green AIS Campus

The St Helens Campus is located in spacious, park-like grounds in Mt Albert, Auckland, and is adjacent to the popular Chamberlain Park Golf Course. Travelling to and from the campus is easy as it is located close to Auckland's North Western motorway and the Baldwin Avenue train station, and bus services travelling along nearby New North and Great North Roads are frequent.



Campus situated on more than 40,000 m² of park-like grounds



5 minutes walk to public transport



More than 270 free parking spots



24/7 camera to secure the campus safely

I particularly enjoy the tennis court, the beautiful greenery, and the opportunity to meet individuals from all over the world.

Mohammad Baqer Naqvi, MBA

My time at AIS was the epitome of practical learning. Under the guidance of the professors, I gained hands-on experience in creating real-world strategic business development plans, complete with budgeting, implementation, and gap-bridging. The lessons proved invaluable when I returned to India to grow my business. AIS equipped me with crucial skills in market research, strategy, and professional presentation — knowledge that truly completed my BBA journey and continues to guide my entrepreneurial path.

Divyam Mishra, MRIIRS



Strategic Alliances and Educational Linkages

One of the key strengths of AIS and the programmes we offer is the ability to prepare our students for future opportunities within New Zealand and around the world. As we have a large proportion of international students, we recognise that further study and career advancement choices often take our graduates beyond Auckland and New Zealand into the global community.

It is now easier than ever to instantly connect and communicate with people all over the globe. The world truly is an international

marketplace and AIS is internationally connected and recognised. We have strategic alliances and articulation pathways with education institutions and organisations within New Zealand and in several overseas markets.

In New Zealand these alliances enable domestic and international students to move into higher qualifications. International agreements provide for credit transfer into degree programmes, offshore course delivery, group study tours and teacher exchanges.



New Zealand

- Crown Institute of Studies
- International College of Auckland
- Kiwi College of New Zealand
- Mount Manganui Language Centre
- Up Education



International

- Institute of International Management Sciences (IIMS)
- International University of Business Agriculture and Technology
- Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies
- Scottish Qualifications Authority
- Servicepro International Tourism and Hospitality Institute
- The Institute of Business Designers
- Tonga National University (TNU)
- Tupou Tertiary Institute (TTI)

Pastoral Care for Tertiary and International Learners

Throughout this journey, I've faced some challenges, but the support and understanding from the staff have truly made a difference. Thanks to them, I've been able to grow, improve myself, and keep moving closer to my academic and personal goals.

Camilo Rivera, BBus



New Zealand Qualifications Authority

Auckland Institute of Studies is registered by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) as a Private Training Establishment under the provisions of the Education and Training Act 2020 and its subsequent amendments. At its last NZQA review in 2023, AIS received a result of Category 1, with "highly confident" for educational performance and "highly confident" for capability in self-assessment.



Memberships

AIS is a member of a number of industry organisations, including Independent Tertiary Education New Zealand (ITENZ), English New Zealand and the Employers and Manufacturers Association.



Code of Practice

AIS observes, and is bound by, The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021. Copies of the Code are available from the AIS website: <https://www.ais.ac.nz/about/code-of-practice>.



Employment

International students enrolled in AIS diploma and degree programmes may work up to 25 hours per week and full-time during the summer holidays and trimester breaks. Master's students also qualify for a three-year post-study work visa after graduation, while postgraduate diploma and bachelor's degree students qualify for a post-study work visa with an equivalent duration to their length of study in the programme. In some cases English language students and spouses of graduate students may also qualify for work rights.



Immigration

Full details of immigration requirements, advice on employment rights in New Zealand while studying, and reporting requirements are available from Immigration New Zealand, and can be viewed at: www.immigration.govt.nz



Orientation and Enrolment

New students must be present for orientation prior to classes commencing. Absence from orientation can negatively impact on a student's ability to settle into campus and academic life at AIS. Returning students are able to select courses during the second half of the previous trimester.



Medical and Travel Insurance

International students enrolled for two weeks' duration or longer (including group students) must have appropriate current medical and travel insurance while in New Zealand.

AIS can provide advice on compliant insurance and arrange insurance for you if required.



Eligibility for Health Services

Most international students are not entitled to publicly-funded health services while in New Zealand and may be liable for the full cost of any medical treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly-funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health, and can be viewed at: www.health.govt.nz.



Accident Insurance

The Accident Compensation Corporation provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents and temporary visitors to New Zealand, but international students may still be liable for all other medical and related costs. Further information can be found at: www.acc.co.nz.



Fee Protection

All student fees are held in an independent trust account – Jolly Duncan & Wells Trustees Ltd, AIS Student Trust – managed by an independent Chartered Accountant. Fees are released periodically in arrears on a pro rata basis in relation to tuition delivered, so your fees are protected at all times.



Refund Policy

For international students in programmes over three months, all payments exceeding up to 25% of the fees paid will be refunded if the student withdraws within the first ten working days of the programme. Thereafter, fees paid are non-refundable. The refund policy is in accordance with the Education and Training Act 2020. Full information is contained in the Enrolment Application Form.



Enrolment Restrictions

Offering of programmes and courses is subject to minimum enrolment numbers. Students who fail to make satisfactory progress may have their study programmes restricted. AIS will do all it can to ensure students succeed and make restrictions unnecessary.

Start an application with AIS today

1. Choose Your Programme

Choose the programme you want to study and apply online or download an enrolment pack from www.ais.ac.nz

2. Do It Online

Register and submit your application through our Online Application System at www.ais.ac.nz/enrol

Alternatively, you can complete the Application Form in your enrolment pack and enclose or attach the required documentation.

3. Acknowledgement

You will receive confirmation that we have received your application. If we need any further information from you we will let you know. You can track the progress of your application at <http://portal.ais.ac.nz>

4. Offer Of Place

Upon meeting all entry requirements, we will send you an Offer of Place and a Quotation. Applications that are complete and meet all the requirements will receive an offer within one working day.

If you are an international student, you will require the Offer of Place for your visa application.

5. Confirmation

Upon payment, we will send a Receipt and Confirmation of Enrolment.

Bookings for the AIS dormitory, homestay and airport pick-up services must be made at least two weeks in advance of arrival in Auckland. Accommodation is subject to availability.



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My experience here has been enriching, both academically and personally, as the college offers a strong curriculum combined with a supportive environment that helps international students like me thrive.

Ayan Arora, BIT

Domestic Students

Loans and Allowances

To confirm you qualify and to apply online for student allowances and loans where required, visit www.studylink.govt.nz



International Students

Student Visa

- Apply for your Student Visa online: www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/apply-for-a-visa
- Students from China, Vietnam, the Indian Subcontinent and the Middle East are recommended to apply for 'Pre-Visa Assessment' before paying programme fees. In order to obtain your Student Visa, you will need to show our Receipt and Confirmation of Enrolment after you have received an 'Approval in Principle' from Immigration.
- Follow the instructions from Immigration New Zealand to complete your visa application process.
- After receiving your Student Visa, please immediately inform the AIS staff member named in your Letter of Offer of your travel details.
- Students from visa waiver countries coming for short-term courses of up to three months must have an NZeTA (New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority) before travelling to New Zealand. To see the full list of visa waiver countries, visit immigration.govt.nz/nzeta

36 Years helping students achieve their goals



1990

AIS was established in Auckland's Downtown Centre with a School of Language offering English language courses to international students.



1993

Expanding student numbers led to the move to the St Helens site in Mt Albert which opened in mid-1993.

The first formal graduation was held with The Hon Phil Goff, Minister of Education, as keynote speaker.

1995

A School of Graduate Studies was opened, offering an MBA in International Management.



2000

AIS celebrated its 10th anniversary.



2005

The Bachelor of Tourism Management was launched to meet local and international economic development needs.

1991

The School of Business opened with a Diploma of Business Studies as the first step towards degree-granting status.



1994

The first degree programme, a Bachelor of International Business, was approved.



1997

AIS received the New Zealand Services Exporter of the Year Award in recognition of its success in international markets.



2002

Opening of the Asquith campus in Mt Albert, Auckland, marking significant facility expansion with lecture theatres, a gymnasium and a sports arena.



2010

AIS celebrated its 20th anniversary with the launch of a Bachelor of Information Technology.

2014

AIS rebranded from AIS St Helens to Auckland Institute of Studies (AIS), with a focus on four guiding values: quality education, supportive environment, individual focus and real world success.

A major external review by NZQA resulted in the achievement of "Category 1" status.



2012

Expanding offshore cooperation in China, India and Tonga led to an increasing number of international students.

The institute's sixth degree programme, a Bachelor of Hospitality Management, was launched.



2015

25th anniversary celebrations throughout the year marked the first quarter-century of AIS.

A Graduate Diploma in Hospitality Management was approved.



2016

NZQA approval was granted to rename the BIB to Bachelor of Business to broaden its appeal, and the first New Zealand diplomas were approved in Tourism and Travel, and Hospitality Management.



2020

30th anniversary celebrations and formal graduations were cancelled in 2020 to 2021 as the COVID-19 pandemic hit, with programmes moving to remote delivery online and operations consolidated at the St Helens Campus.



2019

A major external review by NZQA resulted in the renewal of Category 1 status.

A Master of Information Technology was approved.

2022-2024

Academic delivery returned to campus from Trimester 2, 2022. The reopening of borders from August 2022, after two and a half years of restrictions, enabled a rebuild of operations in 2023-2024, including the launch of a new Bachelor of Business degree after the consolidation of undergraduate programmes.



2025



Accommodation

For those who wish to make AIS their home in Auckland, the three-level dormitory building situated at the St Helens Campus is owned and operated by Auckland Institute of Studies. It provides accommodation for 120 residents in single, twin and multi-share rooms. The rooms are fully furnished, each with its own study area.

The dormitory office is located on the Ground Floor, adjacent to the main entrance of the dormitory, and is open on weekdays from 8.30am to 5.00pm. Our security staff oversee the dormitory after hours and during weekends and public holidays. Ground floor accommodates both male and female students, whereas Level 1 is for female students only, and Level 2 is reserved for male students. A kitchen for the preparation of meals, and a dining room area, are available, and mini fridges for rooms can also be hired.

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Free Parking
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Kitchen
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Multicultural Environment
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24/7 Security
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Close to Classrooms
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Dorm BBQ
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Laundry and Dryer Available
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Shuttle Bus Shopping Every Thursday

The accommodation offers living conditions, comfort, and opportunities to interact with fellow students. This has allowed me to focus more on my studies and enjoy student life in a balanced way.
Khanbileg Bat-Erdene, BBus



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2025 Graduation
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