

WELCOME TO TOPEC

2026 New Student Registration and Enrolment Form

This form is to be completed only by applicants who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, the Cook Islands, Tokelau, Niue or Australia.

PLEASE NOTE: International enrolments cannot be accepted.

If you are still at school and aged 16 or over, you are required before you enrol, to provide a letter from your secondary school principal confirming that you are capable of undertaking tertiary study out of school hours, as well as your secondary school study.

If you are aged under 16 and wish to study full time, you are required to provide a school exemption certificate from the Ministry of Education (MoE). To obtain this exemption, please phone the MoE – 09 632 9515. If you wish to study part time within or out of school hours, you are required to provide a letter from your School confirming that you are capable of undertaking tertiary study as well as your secondary school study.

All sections of this form must be completed and all the necessary documentation provided to enable your enrolment to be fully processed.

You must provide evidence of citizenship or permanent residency. To do so you must produce one of the following:

- Birth certificate with place of birth stated as New Zealand, Cook Islands, Tokelau, or Niue.
- New Zealand passport.
- A certificate of identity.
- A statement of Whakapapa, including date of birth, countersigned by a kaumatua.
- A New Zealand certificate of citizenship.
- Overseas passport with residency stamp.

You can bring the original documentation to TOPEC, alternatively please provide a certified copy. This means a photocopy, photograph or scanned copy of your original document, signed as being a true and accurate copy by a Justice of the Peace (JP), Barrister or Solicitor, Notary Public, Court Register or Deputy Registrar, Member of Parliament, Land Transport New Zealand, Public Trust, or local authority employee designated for this purpose. When a learner is in a remote community and unable to access a person listed in the Oaths and Declarations Act, a member of the New Zealand Police, school principal, minister of religion, or general practitioner is acceptable.

YOU MUST SIGN THE STUDENT DECLARATIONS ON PAGE 4 & 5 OF THIS FORM

Please complete all sections of this form. Please print clearly using BLOCK LETTERS. For multi-choice boxes, tick the box that applies.

1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Enter details as shown on your birth certificate or passport. If you do not bring in an original document, you are required to provide verified copies as evidence of your name, date of birth and citizenship status.

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TOPEC Student ID Number (if known) (8 or 9 numbers). If you are new at TOPEC we will create an ID number for you.

NATIONAL STUDENT INDEX NUMBER (NSN) / NZQA NUMBER

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If you know your NSN/NZQA number, please write it here.

The system, introduced by the Government, allocates every New Zealand tertiary student and NCEA candidate a unique number – NSN. To check information about your NSN, go online at www.minedu.govt.nz/goto/nsi

Please PRINT your legal name in full (as on your proof of New Zealand citizenship/residency). This legal name will appear on any award.

Legal Family Name:

Legal First Given Name:	Legal Second Given Name:
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Preferred Names:

Miss Mrs Ms Mr Other (please state) _____

Female Male Gender Diverse

DATE OF BIRTH

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If you have changed your name (e.g. by marriage, deed poll) since a previous enrolment at TOPEC, please print your previous name(s). Proof of name change must be provided.

Previous Name(s)	First	Family
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2. FEES-FREE and Funding Information

Are you applying for Fees-Free tertiary education? Yes No

If YES, you must provide your IRD number as this is required for Fees-Free eligibility verification.

3. CITIZENSHIP and ETHNIC ORIGIN – Tick only ONE box for EACH (i.e. the citizenship and ethnic group you most identify with)

New Zealand Citizen Australian Citizen NZ Resident Visa Australian Permanent Resident Other

If other, specify Country of Citizenship _____

111	New Zealand European/ Pakeha	123	Greek	421	Chinese
211	New Zealand Māori	124	Polish	431	Indian
311	Samoan	125	South Slav	441	Sri Lankan
321	Cook Island Māori	126	Italian	442	Japanese
331	Tongan	127	German	443	Korean
341	Niue	128	Australian	444	Other Asian
351	Tokelauan	129	Other European	511	Middle Eastern
361	Fijian	411	Filipino	521	Latin American
371	Other Pacific Peoples	412	Cambodian	531	African
121	British/Irish	413	Vietnamese	611	Other
122	Dutch	414	Other Southeast Asian		

Please specify if "Other Pacific Peoples", "Other European", "Other Southeast Asian" or "Other". _____

Optional: If you identify yourself with additional ethnic groups you may enter two other numbers.

1.	2.
If you have identified yourself as New Zealand Māori, what is the name of your iwi? You can enter up to three iwi.	
Iwi 1.	
2.	
3.	

4. CONTACT DETAILS

Permanent/Home Address

Street address – number and name		
Suburb	Town/City	Postcode
Phone ()	Cell phone	
Email address		

Work/Business address (if relevant)

Company name		
Postal Address		
Town/City	Postcode	
Phone ()	ext	Cell phone
Email address		

Address while studying (if different from permanent) and current contact numbers

Street address – number and name		
Suburb	Town/City	Postcode
Phone ()	Cell phone	
Email address		

Emergency Contacts – MUST BE COMPLETED

Name		
Phone: Home ()	Cell phone	Work ()
Relationship (e.g. friend, brother, mother)		

Name		
Phone: Home ()	Cell phone	Work ()
Relationship (e.g. friend, brother, mother)		

5. SECONDARY ACADEMIC DETAILS

What was the name of the last secondary school you attended? If study was overseas, write “overseas”.

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When was your last year at secondary school? _____

What is your highest school qualification? Tick ONE box only.

00	No formal secondary qualification
11	14 or more credits at any level (your NZQA Record of Learning shows you how many credits you have)
12	NCEA Level 1 or School Certificate
13	NCEA Level 2 or 6 th Form Certificate
14	University Entrance
15	NCEA Level 3 or Bursary or Scholarship
09	Overseas qualification (included international Baccalaureate and Cambridge exams)
Please specify _____	
98	Other
Please specify _____	
99	Not Known

Please note: If you have attended a tertiary institution since leaving school e.g. Polytechnic, Institute of Technology, University, College of Education, Wananga or Private Training Establishment either in New Zealand or overseas, (not including STAR, community or hobby classes), please write in the year you first enrolled. If this year is your first year please write 2026.

If you have attended another tertiary provider, write the name and the year of the last one you attended.

Name	Year
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6. STATISTICAL INFORMATION

What was your activity or occupation in New Zealand at 1 October last year? Tick ONE box only.

01	Secondary School student	06	Polytechnic/Institute of Technology student
02	Unemployed or other beneficiary (excluding retired) e.g. DPB, sickness, ACC	08	House person or retired
03	Wage/Salary worker	09	Overseas (irrespective of occupation)
04	Self-employed	11	Private Training Establishment student
05	University student	12	Wānanga student

7. SUPPORT

Extra support is available for students with disabilities. Support will need to be negotiated with TOPEC Student Support.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Do you live with long term illness, disability or injury?

YES NO

Please tick one or more boxes below to describe your condition or disability.

02	Hearing
03	Vision
04	Mobility
05	Hand function
06	Intellectual disability

07	Use of Wheelchair or mobility scooter
14	Specific learning disability
15	Chronic pain
99	Other (please specify)

In the event of an emergency, would you need help to evacuate the building?

Yes No

PRIVACY STATEMENT

PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT 2020

TOPEC is committed to protecting the privacy of all our stakeholders, including students, employers, their families and our staff involved in education delivery. We will protect the privacy of our stakeholders by meeting the information privacy principles outlined in The Privacy Act 2020 which include:

1. We will only collect the information we need for legitimate purposes
2. Where possible, we will only get information directly from the person
3. We will be clear about what the information will be used for
4. We will use fair and reasonable ways of collecting information
5. We will keep your information safe and secure
6. You can access your information, where appropriate
7. You can correct your information if you think it is wrong
8. We will make sure information is accurate before we use it
9. We will only keep information as long as we need it
10. We will only use information for the purpose we collected it for
11. We will only share personal information if we have good reason such as when:
 - a. we have the permission from you
 - b. a law requires us to do so
 - c. it is one of the purposes for which we gathered the information
 - d. we disclose it in a form that does not identify you
12. We will only send personal information overseas if the organisation outside of New Zealand meets the required criteria.
13. We only use individual identifiers (such as National Student Number (NSN)) where it is necessary

Data Sharing with Government Agencies: We are required to share certain information with government agencies including the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC), New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA), and other relevant agencies for funding, reporting, and quality assurance purposes.

You have the right to ask for a copy of any personal information we hold about you and to ask for it to be corrected if you think it is wrong. If you'd like to ask for a copy of your information, or to have it corrected, please contact us at grover@topec.co.nz, 027 043 1884 or PO Box 859, New Plymouth.

Applicant signature

DECLARATION

I declare that:

- The information provided by me on this form is true and correct.
- I understand that failure to disclose required information or the supply of incorrect information may result in my enrolment not being processed, or in my enrolment being cancelled.
- I agree to abide by all TOPEC statutes, regulations and policies as may be amended from time to time. Copies are available from your TOPEC course leader. In particular, you should note the TOPEC Academic Regulations, Computer User Regulations and the regulations applying to your programme of study.
- I have read and accept the Privacy Statement printed on this form.
- I acknowledge that all TOPEC courses and programmes will proceed subject to enrolment numbers and TOPEC has the right to cancel an offering of a course or programme prior to its commencement if there are insufficient enrolments.
- I undertake to pay all fees and charges relating to my enrolment and to meet all collection charges associated with debt recovery. Fees must be paid in full, or a signed agreement made for their payment in instalments, by the start of the course. TOPEC may take such steps as necessary to collect outstanding fees. Refunds and withdrawals will be processed in accordance with the TOPEC Academic Regulations.
- I acknowledge that TOPEC reserves the right to cancel my enrolment (as set out in the TOPEC Student Regulations) where I have made insufficient progress on the course. I further acknowledge that non-attendance may constitute insufficient progress.
- I understand that TOPEC may need to validate the information provided on this form and attachments.
- I authorise TOPEC to collect information for this purpose from any agency holding the source of this information.

DAY / MONTH / YEAR / /

If you are signing on behalf of the student you must have the necessary authorisation through legal guardianship or power of attorney.

Please return this form with associated documents to TOPEC – email: colleen@topec.co.nz

or

TOPEC

11 Hydro Road

or

New Plymouth, Taranaki

TOPEC

PO Box 859

New Plymouth, Taranaki

PLEASE FULLY complete the next page and ensure that you sign where requested

*Please note that enrolment into the New Zealand Diploma in Outdoor and Adventure Education (Multi-skilled) L5 is subject to approval by NZQA and TEC

Programme Enrolment - Please select the programme you wish to enrol in for 2026
New Zealand Diploma in Outdoor and Adventure Education (NZDO&AE) Level 5* 120cr

Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (NZCOL) Level 4 or equivalent NZQF unit standards

<input type="checkbox"/>	Part – time	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full – time	Duration: 40 weeks	Three Days/Week - Days TBC
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Start: 19/02/2026	End: 11/12/2026
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Learner signature:

New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Experiences (NZCOE) Level 3 40cr

 Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have NCEA Level 1 or equivalent NZQF unit standards **or** Able to demonstrate an ability to succeed in tertiary study

<input type="checkbox"/>	Part – time: Thursday and Fridays	Duration: 30 weeks
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Start: 19/02/2026	End: 6/11/2026
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Learner signature:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Full – time: TBA	Duration: 10 weeks
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Start: TBC	End: TBC
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Learner signature:

New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (NZCOL) Level 4 60cr

Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have NZCOE L3 or equivalent NZQF unit standards or Demonstrate equivalent knowledge

<input type="checkbox"/>	Part – time: Monday – Wednesday lunchtime	Duration: 40 weeks
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Start: 16/02/2026	End: 11/12/2026
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Learner signature:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Full – time: TBA	Duration: 20 weeks
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Start: TBC	End: TBC
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Learner signature:

Micro Credential Leadership (Level 3) Dates TBC 11cr

Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have NCEA Level 1 or equivalent NZQF unit standards

Day/s:	Duration:
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Start:	End:
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Learner signature:

Micro Credential Leader Facilitation (Level 3) Dates TBC 9cr

Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have NCEA Level 1 or equivalent NZQF unit standards

Day/s:	Duration:
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Start:	End:
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Learner signature:

Micro Credential Pest Destruction and Bush Survival (Level 3) Dates TBC 16cr

Entry criteria: Aged 16+ and have NCEA Level 1 or equivalent NZQF unit standards

Day/s:	Duration:
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Learner signature: