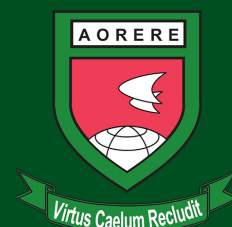




## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROSPECTUS



AORERE COLLEGE



## **Nau mai, haere mai** **Welcome to Aorere College**

Aorere College is a culturally diverse co-educational secondary school with a student population of approximately 1550. We have a small, although growing, number of international students which means each international student has a unique and intimate experience, with dedicated staff to guide them. Students are the heart of our school and they enjoy success across the wide range of opportunities on offer. They display pride and commitment. Our international student programs are flexible - they can be as short as a week, offering a taste of life in New Zealand, or as long as a year, providing a rich source of life changing memories.



## **Our Place**

New Zealand is a safe choice for international study. The respected sources *The Economist Intelligence Unit* and *Global Peace Index*, 2018, have noted that we are the top country for preparing students for the future and the world's second most peaceful country.

Aorere College is located in the southern part of Auckland, close to Auckland International Airport. It is surrounded by dormant volcanoes, coastlines, mountains, lively night markets, parks and reserves. The college is within the Manukau area, with easy access to shops, malls, cinemas, Rainbow's End theme park, skate-parks, ten-pin bowling, public swimming pools, sporting activities and more.

## **Our Homestay**

Students' home life while in New Zealand is just as important as school life so choosing the right homestay is crucial. We take great care in selecting our homestay families and placing students. Our homestay families are either one of our lovely staff members or chosen homestays who have a close affiliation with Aorere College.

Our dedicated international staff are on call 24/7. They regularly visit and check all homes to ensure that our standards are maintained according to The Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016.

While we encourage our international students to use their experiences in New Zealand to develop into wonderful young adults, our international staff appreciate that each individual student is at different stages and will need different types of support. Our international staff are looking forward to meeting you very much.



## Our Culture

New Zealand's multi-cultural society shares the spirit of the Māori principle manaakitanga. Manaakitanga is all about caring for others with shared understanding and respect.

Auckland is one of the most diverse cities in the world and international students will discover a unique and immersive cultural experience. This takes place through connecting with Aorere students from many different cultures, learning local customs, participating in the arts and sports programs at school, all in a modern learning environment.

As part of the program, international students will have the opportunity to go on a cultural trip to Rotorua where they will have an authentic introduction to Māori culture - songs, dances, games - and experience the "Haka" Māori war dance. Students will view the uplifting of the hāngī from the earth cooked oven in the ground (hāngī pit) and learn the preparation and contents of the traditional hāngī.

Students will also experience New Zealand nature by seeing bubbling hot springs, mud pools, a geyser, lakes, native bush and a New Zealand farm. You will enjoy beautiful views on the gondola and have fun riding the "Luge".



## Our Buddies

Unique to Aorere College is our student buddy system. Each international student is placed with an Aorere student who helps the student to orientate their way around our school and introduce them to teachers and fellow students. This system is very popular with our international students; it helps them feel welcome, practice their English and make new friends. This also allows a smoother integration into our school and more opportunity to talk with our local students. This might be in the classroom, socially, on the sporting field, or in cultural areas. International students have a lot to add to our school so we need them to be talking to our students and as they do, their English will develop even more.



## Our Education System

New Zealand's strengths, outlined in The EIU Worldwide Educating Students for the Future Index, include:

- An education system that develops in-demand skills such as critical thinking, creativity, independence and teamwork.
- Diverse learning experiences inside and outside the classroom, and our practical, hands-on approach teaches students to use their knowledge in real-world situations.
- New Zealand is a modern, progressive and open-minded country. The experiences students have here enable them to grow personally, as well as academically.

We have a wide range of courses on offer. A full outline of all subjects and courses is available on our website.



## Digital Learning

We are a Google school and we work closely with Google in supporting the use and development of future technologies in schools worldwide. We provide access to Chromebooks and other 21st Century learning tools to develop our students' capabilities leaning into the increasingly digital future we are faced with. Our school provides programs that foster innovation, such as Robotics, Computer Programming, Animation, Game Development and Website and App Development. With an eye to the future, we are honoured to be one of two schools in New Zealand to offer a Pathways to Technology (P-Tech) program in association with IBM and have been selected as a Google Reference school.

## Arts

The arts have a treasured place at our school. Students are offered a large range of opportunities to excel in visual arts, including photography, painting and digital design.

Students with a passion for dance will find their strength in our dance studio. We have had groups and crews compete at national level and win grand prizes.

In music, students can learn instruments, develop vocal techniques and form bands which have performed successfully at national competitions.

We have our very own Aorere Film Academy where students produce their own live TV episodes broad casted to our community.





## English Language Learning

Our English Language Learning (ELL) programs address the specific language needs of Aorere College students who are learning English as a second language and are needs based. We have seven dedicated staff who work closely with students to support them at their level. We assess the students' understanding and place them in an appropriate class which meets their English learning needs and requirements.

We pride ourselves on equipping our students with the tools and experiences that help them connect to New Zealand life. This includes trips to the museum, theme parks, zoos and

## Sports

Aorere College has a strong Physical Education and Sports department and has been named four times in the last five years the most outstanding sporting secondary school in Counties Manukau. A variety of sports are offered, from basketball and netball to football and badminton.

In addition to coaching programs, we also offer extensive support in students' sports performance, particularly on the rugby field. Rugby is our national sport and it has a special home at Aorere. We have produced international rugby stars that have gone on to play for teams such as the All Blacks. Whether serious or just for fun, our school sports scene offers a chance for everyone to get fit and enjoy themselves.

## Academia

Beyond the mentioned dimensions of school life, our school offers a robust academic program that is sure to offer challenges to those pursuing careers in subjects like Biology, Chemistry and Physics, Social Sciences domain subjects like Geography, History and Tourism and Mathematics. We also offer vocational pathway programs for students interested in Trades like Mechanical Engineering, as well as Hospitality, for those who want a future in catering. There's something for everyone to pursue.

outdoor education opportunities outside of the typical classroom environment. Our program works because the students are immersed, challenged and supported to participate fully in life here. At the end of the program, students leave with greater confidence and a firmer grasp of the English language.



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## Student Testimonials



"I had an amazing experience at Aorere college. The students are really friendly and because of the buddy system, it was easy to make friends and get to know each other. Also the school is very diverse, there is a lot of students of many cultures. Therefore, as I made friends, I had many chance to know other cultures which I can't experience in Japan."

**Japan | 3 week cultural program**



"Aorere College, a school which has a different style from my old school, so I have to adapt to this school as fast as I could. It's a nice school with widely different cultures. I

have enjoyed the school pretty much. The teachers always support and care about the students, plus heaps of activity and competition to challenge myself. I didn't feel uncomfortable with mixing culture with others, instead I felt so confident to show my talents."

**Laos | 4 year academic program**



"Everyone here is really nice, I like the community here. I had plenty of opportunities to sightsee and explore around NZ. This school was very great, student here were friendly, I

have very nice buddy. My homestay really nice very much, helpful and kind, I want to say thank you for take care of me."

**Thailand | 2 month cultural program**



"Having the opportunity to be a student at Aorere College was a really memorable experience for me. At Aorere College, I made friends with people from different cultures, which

is a big step for someone like me who wanted to form a connection with the world. I learned a lot more about this wonderful New Zealand, the kind people and the amazing environment. I highly recommend anyone to come to New Zealand to study and especially to join Aorere College for their wonderful teachers and friendly students. Thank you, Aorere College, for being part of my precious memories and being a helping hand in the growth of international students like me. Thank you for everything."

**Vietnam | 4 year academic program**



"Hello! My name is Gabriel. I studied at Aorere College in the first semester of 2018. I only have one word to describe my experience at Aorere: AMAZING. I was

able to choose the disciplines that I identify with, being able to develop in areas not so focused on Brazilian education. The kindness I received from the teachers gave me confidence in speaking, writing, reading, and developing my English learning. I can't leave out the coordination of international students, who ALWAYS helped us through the tough times of homesick, always listened and supported us, whatever the matter. Aorere College marked an incredible phase of my life. Thank you, Aorere College!"

**Brazil | 3 month cultural program**



"Hello!! My name is Guibson Matheus, I studied at Aorere College for three and a half months, and it was one of the biggest and best experiences of my life, as I learned so much,

both in student life and in my personal life, marked my life! We always had a great support from the school coordination and the students themselves, great reception, among other things, but in short ... I just have to thank you. Thanks for everything, Aorere College!"

**Brazil | 3 month cultural program**



"My name is Adriane and I studied at Aorere College for three and a half months. It was one of the most amazing experiences to be able to live a very different model of classes

that I was used to and choose some subjects that I identified to study, not to mention the contact that I and my four friends from Brazil had with the Māori culture and the affection that the Aorere students welcomed us with and the dear teachers who always helped us improve our English as well as the best coordination of all: they never ceased to hear or support us when we needed something or to talk. It was amazing to live Aorere College!"

**Brazil | 3 month cultural program**



## Our Programs and Fees

Fees	Week	Fortnight	Month	Term	Semester	Year
Tuition	500	1000	2000	4000	7500	14500
Admin*	200	200	300	500	1000	1000
Insurance*	60	60	120	180	340	650
<b>Total (NZD)</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>1260</b>	<b>2420</b>	<b>4680</b>	<b>8840</b>	<b>16150</b>

### Additional Fees

Homestay Placement*	350 one off charge
Homestay Fullboard	410 per week
NZQA Qualification*	384 per senior year
Cultural Trip to Rotorua	650 per trip
Airport Transfers*	120 per return trip
Relocation	600 per voluntary homestay change

*Our most popular programs are the Short Term Cultural Exchange Programs which are only approx \$2,170 for one week or \$3,080 for two weeks including homestay, transfers and cultural trip to Rotorua.*

**Discounts available for groups of 10 or more**

### Please note

All prices quoted are in New Zealand Dollars (NZD).

The above table is a price indication only and is subject to change.

Please refer to your offer of place or quote for final costings for your program.

Final quotes must be approved by the Director of International.

Items marked with an asterisk (\*) are non-refundable.



### 2025 Term Dates

Term One:	4 Feb - 11 Apr
Term Two:	28 Apr - 27 Jun
Term Three:	14 Jul - 19 Sep
Term Four:	6 Oct - 5 Dec

### 2026 Term Dates

Term One:	5 Feb - 2 Apr	(Summer/Autumn)
Term Two:	20 Apr - 3 Jul	(Autumn/Winter)
Term Three:	20 Jul - 25 Sep	(Winter/Spring)
Term Four:	12 Oct - 4 Dec	(Spring/Summer)

### How to apply

Use the online web application form:

<https://aorere.enrol.school.nz/>

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