

GATEWAY PROGRAMME

Background

Gateway is for students to gain credits in work-related Unit Standards and then back up learning with practical experience in the workplace. It helps them make choices about future careers. Edgewater College has participated successfully in the programme for five years. The targeted students are in years 11-13. Funding covers their cost of training, workplace assessment and any necessary safety equipment.

Current Courses

The areas covered by formal Unit Standards training and practical work experience through option choices (covered in the curriculum) are:

- Childcare Levels 2 and 3 with work experience at private childcare centres for level 3 and for level 2 placements at local state kindergarten centres. Students who complete both level 2 and level 3 have the opportunity to gain a National Certificate in Early Childhood Education.
- Applied Technology Level 2 covers engineering and manufacturing environments, diversifying into automotive placements. We are looking to extend our options here to cover carpentry and boatbuilding.
- Hospitality Level 2 work experience with local hotels, event centres and restaurants. We also incorporated the McDonalds OASIS programme.

Other programmes that can run through option choices or as stand-alone programmes include:

- A Retail programme that covers theory units and then work experience with local and national retail outlets.
- A Hair & Beauty programme with the Cut Above Academy or Seville's Training Academy and then work experience with local salons.
- A Sport programme with a private training company (PTE) and relevant work placement at local gymnasiums and leisure centres.
- A Textiles programme run via the Apparel and Textile ITO, with work placement at local clothing manufacturers.
- Two Health programmes run via a PTE - covering Basic Patient Care (Level 1) and a Level 2 Physiology and Anatomy programme, with work placement at local retirement homes and a private hospital
- A Cookery programme run by the Hospitality Standards Institute with work experience at local hotels within a commercial kitchen environment.
- A Business Administration programme via a PTE with work experience at local banks, accountants and within the office environment of large companies.
- Farming – Dairy and Agriculture areas with a PTE and work placement at local farms and other suitable environments.
- Equine via an on-line PTE with work placement at suitable stables – riding and racing.
- Travel and Tourism via a local travel college with work placements at hotels (national and local chains), youth hostels, car rental companies, travel agents and other centres involved in the tourism industry.
- A PC Engineering programme – covering training with a specialised PTE and work placement at suitable PC Support Companies.
- A Logistic/Warehousing programme with theory training from a local Institute of Technology and work placement at local logistics companies.

With Unit standards being available in many different areas of industry, we should be able to offer Gateway training for students with particular interests.

Wherever possible, students will undertake work experience placements on Tuesdays and permission will be needed from parents and teachers to allow students time out of mainstream classes. Any NCEA/class work missed during the work experience placement will need to be made up by the student in their own time.

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GATEWAY

LEVELS 1 & 2

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Requirements for entering the course:

FEE: Nil

- Must have permission from parent/caregiver
- Must complete an interview with Mrs Tredwell

This programme can be chosen as a half year option for Year 11 students not intending to go to university. It will be timetabled into each day. The students would work on Level 1 and 2 units covering necessary health & safety plus any units necessary for enabling them to become workplace-ready, and then move into a chosen specialist area for the rest of the year. This would also include work experience. This course helps students earn a lot of practical credits

The five strands offered are Retail, Health, Business Administration, Hospitality and Logistics/Warehousing. It is likely that work experience would be under the same guidelines as other Gateway students.

This course offers 24 Levels 1 & 2 Unit Standards credits.

DRIVING STUDY SKILLS

LEVELS 1 & 2

This is a half year subject that could be combined with Health or Gateway for Level 1 students not intending to go to university. This course helps students earn a lot of practical credits.

Requirements for entering the course:

FEE:

- Aged at least 15 by 15 March or 30 July
- Must complete an interview

A current NZ Road Code (\$24.95)
Learner Licence Application & Test
Fee: \$79.90 paid to Land Transport
This is an optional addition to the course

This course offers 8 Level 1 and 7 Level 2 Unit Standards credits.

Driving Lessons can be taken in class time with professional instructors for a fee. This is an additional option.

Requirements for entering the course:**FEE: Nil**

- Must have permission from parent/caregiver
- Must complete an interview with Ms Lui (HOD)
- Must be prepared to work in a workplace for two days every week
- Must be committed to the aims of the course

Description of the Course:

- This course is an alternative to NCEA and is designed to cover a two-year period.
- Three days in each week are spent in school studying English, Mathematics, Computing, Health and work-related studies.
- There are also opportunities to take courses at MIT such as Hairdressing, Automotive Engineering, Sports Coaching and Carpentry.
- Outside agencies are invited in during the year to run courses such as Service Skills and First Aid.
- The remaining two days of each week are spent in the workplace on work experience.

This course is solely Unit Standards-based and the qualification aimed for is the NCES (National Certificate in Employment Skills). It is not an option for students intending to go to university.

This course can generate 64 Credits.