

New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services) (Level 4) (Community Facilitation)

The New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Level 4) Social and Community Services will give you the skills and knowledge required to be employed in a range of roles working alongside people and their family /whānau.

In particular this qualification is ideal for people who work alongside people, family and/or whānau in a community facilitation setting.

Qualification code NZ299201

Level > 4	Credits > 120
Workload >	Allow 10-12 hours of study per credit. Your workload may be higher around assessment due dates
Study type >	Open
Cost >	See the qualification page on the website
Student loan >	The qualification is not eligible for student loans.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Community Facilitation strand will be employed in roles supporting people to identify and achieve their aspirations including disability support, employment, housing and budget support and information provision.

Potential employment roles may include support worker, caregiver, employment consultants, whānau workers, housing coordinators, forensic staff, aged care workers and navigators.



How to apply

Go to the choose courses tab on the qualification page on our website. Select HWB401 and click add to enrolment plan. You'll be taken through our step-by-step enrolment process, which you can save and exit from at any time.

Qualification structure

This certificate is 120 credits at Level 4 made up of 5 compulsory courses. The 3 compulsory courses and the 2 Community Facilitation Strand courses are listed below in the order they must be studied.

If you are studying this programme you are only able to enrol in one course at a time.

Course Code	Course Name	Level
Core compulsory courses		
HWB401	The influence I have	4
HWB402	Working within the health and wellbeing sector	4
HWB403	Essential professional skills	4
Community Facilitation Strand compulsory courses		
HWB406	Being a professional on the ground	4
HWB407	Professionalism in the world's eye	4

Entry requirements

To enrol in this programme you need to have NCEA Level 1, or equivalent. You must be able to access a minimum of 200 hours of paid or unpaid employment as a support worker. To demonstrate this you will provide details of your workplace and of a workplace supervisor who can verify your work. We will organise for them to sign a workplace agreement.

20 years old or over

If you are 20 years of age or over and do not hold the minimum entry requirements you will be eligible to be enrolled where your previous educational, work or life experience indicates you have a reasonable likelihood of success.

Work Experience

To study this programme you need to complete at least 200 hours of paid or unpaid employment in a relevant health and wellbeing context.

This could include working in areas such as:

- aged or acute care
- community support
- home-based support
- respite care
- mobile services

The in-work component is a compulsory part of all of the courses in this programme of study and you will need to have arranged this prior to applying.

To confirm your work experience placement:

- You must have a workplace supervisor who can oversee and verify your work.
- You, your employer and the workplace verifier will need to sign an agreement.

What will you learn

Graduates of this qualification will be able to:

- Engage and communicate with people and family/whānau accessing social and community services in a manner which respects their socio-cultural identity, experience and self-knowledge.
- Relate the history of Māori as tangata whenua and knowledge of person-whānau interconnectedness to your own role in a health and wellbeing setting.
- Display self-awareness, reflective practice and personal leadership in a health and wellbeing setting
- Actively contribute to a culture of professionalism, safety and quality in a health and wellbeing organisation.
- Relate the purpose and impact of own role to the aims of the wider health and wellbeing sector.

Graduates of the Community Facilitation strand will be able to:

- Work alongside people and family/whānau in a community facilitation setting to support autonomy by using tools and strategies to identify goals, address barriers, and achieve aspirations.

Computer and online access

This programme is delivered 100% online. To complete this programme you will need access to a laptop or desktop computer, reliable broadband internet connection and a data plan able to support online learning such as streaming of videos (including YouTube), downloading content, and writing and submitting online assessments. If you are unsure if your current computer or internet access allows you to complete your online learning with us, please contact us before applying to enrol.

Visit openpolytechnic.ac.nz/online to view our online learning and study tools.

English language requirements

International students must also have an IELTS (Academic or General) score of 5.5 with no band score lower than 5.0, or equivalent.

Domestic students for whom English or Māori is not their first language must also have an IELTS (Academic or General) score of 5.5 with no band score lower than 5.0, or equivalent.

Visit openpolytechnic.ac.nz/englishlanguage to view our English language criteria.

International students and domestic students living overseas

You can study this programme part-time if you're an international student living in New Zealand. You will need to be in paid employment with a valid work permit. You cannot study this programme if you're an international student living overseas, or a New Zealand citizen living overseas.

Visit openpolytechnic.ac.nz/internationalstudent for more information about the special conditions and fees that you'll need to meet.