

Graduate Certificate in Information Technology (Level 7)

The Graduate Certificate in Information Technology (Level 7) will provide you with the opportunity to develop and/or broaden your expertise in IT by studying a field suited to your current experience and/or qualifications.

All you need to get started is an undergraduate degree (other than open Polytechnic's Bachelor of Information Technology). You will study three courses from a variety of options to suit your career goals or interests.

Qualification code OP7095

Level > 7	Credits > 60
Workload >	Allow 10-12 hours of study per credit. Your workload may be higher around assessment due dates.
Study type >	Trimester.
Cost >	See the qualification page on the website
Student loan >	You can get a student loan for this qualification if you meet the criteria. Visit studylink.govt.nz for more information.

Career Opportunities

The Graduate Certificate in Information Technology (Level 7) will provide you with a range of IT specialist skills and practices in a chosen specialist field. If currently employed, you will gain valuable opportunities to incorporate work-related learning that may build on an existing role or equip you for new responsibilities.



How to apply

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

Qualification structure

Students are required to complete 60 credits, with a minimum of 40 credits at Level 7.

Course Code	Course Name	Level
CHOOSE THREE COURSES WITH AT LEAST TWO AT LEVEL 7		
BIT 603	Programming II	6
BIT607	Web Development	6
BIT608	Web Programming	6
BIT 702	Interaction Design	7
BIT703	Web Technologies	7
BIT704	Advanced Database	7
BIT705	Current and Emerging Technologies	7
BIT706	Programming III	7
BIT707	Software Engineering	7

Graduate profile

When you achieve this qualification you will be able to:

- implement appropriate software application-based information technology solutions to address identified workplace requirements;
- operate knowledgeably, productively and professionally to produce specified outcomes in a rapidly changing information technology environment.

Entry requirements

To enter this programme you need to have a Bachelor degree, or equivalent.

If you have completed the Bachelor of Information Technology with Open Polytechnic you are unable to enrol in this programme.

Credit recognition

Credit recognition is limited to one 20 credit course. A cross credit to a Level 7 course will not normally be awarded.

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) score of 6.0 with no band score lower than 5.5, or equivalent.

Domestic students for whom English or Māori is not their first language must also have an IELTS (Academic) score of 6.0 with no band score lower than 5.5, 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 or overseas. If you're living in New Zealand you will need to be in paid employment with a valid work permit.

You can also study this programme if you're 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.