

Graduate Diploma in Information Technology (Level 7)

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

All you need to get started is an undergraduate degree (other than open Polytechnic's Bachelor of Information Technology), or have successfully completed our Graduate Certificate in Information Technology (Level 7). You will study a number of courses to complete 120 credits required for the qualification from a variety of options to suit your career goals or interests.



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 120 credits, with a minimum of 80 credits at Level 7.

Qualification code OP7096

Level > 7

Credits > 120

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.

Course Code	Course Name	Level
COMPULSORY GROUP		
BIT603	Programming 2	6
BIT606	Testing	6
BIT607	Web Development	6
BIT608	Web Programming	6
BIT 701	IT Project	7
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

Career Opportunities

The Graduate Diploma 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 for new responsibilities.

Graduate profile

When you achieve this qualification you will be able to:

- Critically evaluate key information technology concepts and techniques to help resolve information technology-related problems in a range of contexts
- Plan, develop, implement, and manage information technology systems to meet specific market or organisational needs
- Operate knowledgeably, productively and professionally to produce specified outcomes in a rapidly changing information technology environment.

Entry requirements

To enrol in this programme you need to have a Bachelor degree; or have successfully completed the Open Polytechnic Graduate Certificate in Information Technology; or have an equivalent qualification.

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

Credit recognition

If you have successfully completed the Open Polytechnic Graduate Certificate in Information Technology you may transfer three courses (60 credits) to this programme.

Credit recognition may not exceed two thirds of the programme. Cross credit to Level 7 courses 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.