

Graduate Diploma in Sustainable Management (Level 7)

Gain an advanced knowledge of environmental policy and management with the Graduate Diploma in Sustainable Management (Level 7). Once you've achieved this qualification you will have the skills necessary to plan and conduct activities and programmes in a variety of environmental work streams. You will also have the ability to communicate complex environmental ideas and information in a professional way.

Qualification code OP7214

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.

Career Opportunities

This qualification will prepare you for a career in central or local government as a planner or enforcement officer, working with public interest groups, iwi and runanga resource managers and in environmental management positions in the private sector.

How to apply

Go to the choose courses tab on the qualification page on our website. Select the course(s) that you want to study and click add to enrolment plan. You'll be taken through our step-bystep enrolment process, which you can save and exit from at any time.



Qualification structure

You need to successfully complete five courses to achieve this qualification. This programme is made up of a compulsory research course and your choice of four elective courses that cover different environmental topics. The research course will give you the skills to independently research issues in your discipline at an advanced level. If you haven't done research before, there is an elective course that you can study in preparation.

If this is your first enrolment with Open Polytechnic, we recommend you begin your studies with one course. Visit the qualification page on our website and click on each course for a full description and availability.

Course Code	Course Name	Level
COMPULSORY COURSE		
72397	Environmental Studies Research Paper	7
GROUP 1 CHOOSE FOUR COURSES WITH AT LEAST TWO AT LEVEL 7		
72292	Resource Management Act and Local Government Act	6
72293	Conservation and Natural Resources Law	6
72294	Environmental Monitoring and Reporting	6
72296	Environmental Impact Assessment	6
73213	Research Methods and Interpretation	6
72392	Environmental Management Systems and Strategies	7
72395	Environment and the Economy	7
72396	Environmental Perspectives and the Media	7

Entry requirements

You can apply for admission into this programme if you have an undergraduate degree.

If you have achieved the Open Polytechnic Bachelor of Applied Science (Environment) or a similar qualification, you will be unable to study the Graduate Diploma in Sustainable Management (Level 7). Please contact the programme leader to discuss your eligibility before applying to enrol.

What you will learn

When you achieve this qualification you will be able to apply integrated resource management solutions to a diverse range of complex environmental problems. Combining your new project preparation and management skills with existing qualifications and experience will also prepare you for a variety of environmental work streams.

Computer and online access

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

The ability to read and write well in English is required to study this programme.

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 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.

Recognising your previous learning

If you have work experience or a qualification in environment (or a related area), find out if your knowledge counts towards this qualification. You can do this by going to the ask an advisor tab on the qualification page on our website.