Diploma in Arboriculture

(Level 6)

Leading to a New Zealand Diploma in Arboriculture (Level 6)

Wintec code: SX1902
Level: 6
Owner: Centre for Science and Primary Industries

MoE: NZ2669
Credits: 120
Effective Date: January 2019

These regulations should be read in conjunction with the Institute’s Academic Regulations.

1. Admission and Entry

1.1 General Academic Admission

a) Candidates are required to have:

i. New Zealand Certificate in Arboriculture (Level 5) with strands in Arboriculture Supervisory Operations and Arboriculture Technical Operations Ref:2670 or equivalent, or;

ii. Equivalent industry experience consisting of 5 years proven and verified industry employment or;

iii. A Degree qualification in a relevant field of study.

1.2 Special Admission

Domestic applicants aged 20 years or above who have not met the General Admission or entry requirements for a programme but whose skills, education or work experience indicate that they have a reasonable chance of success¹ may be eligible for Special Admission. Special admission will be granted at the discretion of the relevant Head of School/Centre Director or designated nominee. Such applicants may be required to successfully complete a foundation, bridging or tertiary introductory programme as a condition of entry into higher level programmes.

1.3 Provisional Entry

Domestic applicants aged under 20 years who have not met the general academic admission and entry criteria for a programme but who can demonstrate a reasonable chance of success through other educational attainment and/or work or life experience may be eligible for

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¹ Education Act 1989 Section 224 (3)
provisional entry at the discretion of the relevant Head of School/Centre Director or designated nominee. Provisional entry places restrictions on re-enrolment to be lifted if the applicant’s performance is deemed satisfactory by the relevant Head of School/Centre Director or designated nominee.

1.4 Selection Criteria
Candidates without relevant qualifications may be required to participate in an interview and selection process. The following may be considered in the selection process:

i. The completion of a Study Skills Assessment to demonstrate the level of academic skill necessary to successfully complete the programme.

ii. Previous experience working in the arboriculture sector. May include previous employment or voluntary work.

iii. Personal qualities such as responsibility, teamwork and practical skills.

1.5 English Language Requirements
Candidates who have English as a second language are required to have an International English Language Test System (IELTS) score of 6 in the academic band, with no individual band score lower than 5.5; or equivalent.

2. Transfer of Credit
2.1 100% transfer of credit is available for this programme (both formal transfer of credit and recognition of prior learning).

3. Programme Requirements
3.1 Every candidate for the Diploma in Arboriculture shall to the satisfaction of the Academic Board follow a programme of study for a period of normally not less than two semesters.

3.2 Each candidate’s programme will comprise all modules as listed in Section 6 of these regulations, totaling a minimum of 120 credits.

4. Completion of the Programme
4.1 A candidate may take up to 5 years to complete this programme, unless an extension is granted by special permission of the Centre Director, or designated equivalent.

5. Award of the Qualification
5.1 Candidates who successfully complete the requirements of this programme will be eligible for the award of the New Zealand Diploma in Arboriculture (Level 6).
6. **Schedule of Modules**

Note: no value in the pre/co-requisite columns means there are no pre/co-requisites for that module.

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