Diploma in Arboriculture

(Level 6)

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

Wintec code:	SX1902	**MoE:**	NZ2669
Level:	6	**Credits:**	120
Owner:	Centre for Applied Science and Primary Industries	**Effective Date:**	January 2023

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

1.   **Admission and Entry**

    1.1   Candidates can gain entry to this programme by meeting one of the following criteria:

        a)   Based on study completed at a NZ tertiary institution:

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

            ii.   An equivalent qualification; **or**

        b)   Based on work experience:

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

        c)   Based on Discretionary Entrance

        Applicants who do not meet any of the entry options stated above, and think they have what it takes to complete this programme, can apply for 'Discretionary Entrance'. The application is based on the applicant's ability to demonstrate a likelihood to succeed in the programme. The decision is at the discretion of the Head of School/Centre Director or their delegate. The ability to progress into further study depends on how successful the applicant is within the programme they apply and are accepted into under 'Discretionary Entrance'.

    1.2   **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.

    1.3   **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.

Module Code	Module Name	Level	Credits	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Assessment Standard
ARBO600	Advanced Arboriculture Law	6	10			nil
ARBO601	Advanced Tree Biology & Mechanics	6	10			nil
ARBO602	Entomology in Trees	6	5			nil
ARBO603	Pathology in Trees	6	5			nil
ARBO604	Advanced Tree Inspection	6	5			nil
ARBO605	Hazard Analysis of Trees	6	5			nil
ARBO606	Advanced Tree Valuation	6	5			nil
ARBO607	Notable Tree Valuation and Registration	6	5			nil
ARBO608	Writing Arboriculture Contracts	6	10			nil
ARBO609	Tendering Arboriculture Contracts	6	10			nil
ARBO610	Arboriculture Contract Management	6	10			nil
ARBO611	Designing Treed Landscapes	6	10			nil
ARBO612	Technical Tree Identification	6	10			nil

ARBO613	Arboriculture Research Topic	6	10			nil
ARBO614	Urban Forest Management Project	6	10			nil