



CERTIFICATE

HORTICULTURE



Qualifications

National Certificate in Horticulture (Introductory) (Level 2)

Duration

One Semester (20 weeks); starting February

Entry requirements

Aged 16 years and over; with an interest in horticulture, be physically capable and enjoy an outdoor environment.

Accommodation

Five and seven day boarding is available in our on-campus hall of residence.

Students are encouraged to apply early

Correspondence courses

Telford has a wide variety of part-time correspondence courses available. Please contact Telford or look at Telford's website for more information.

Want more information?

Visit our website, or contact us for further information. DVD's available. Visit us at an expo, come for a campus tour or come on Telford's Taster Week.

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WELCOME

Why study at Telford?

Telford Rural Polytechnic is New Zealand's only specialist rural polytechnic that can provide you with sound balance of knowledge and skills to apply to career opportunities or onto further study.

Telford is situated on 800 hectares of rolling, South Otago farmland with sheep and beef, dairy, deer, apiculture, horticulture and equine units plus 60ha of forestry blocks. Our horticulture unit is within two minutes walk of Telford's halls of residence; the administration, classrooms mechanical, carpentry and welding workshops within five minutes walk.

The National Certificate in Horticulture (Introductory) (Level 2) will equip you with the practical knowledge and skills that are required for the horticulture industry. Although the majority of your time is spent outside the classroom, there is a need to fully understand various horticulture theory, safety, and issues that arise within the industry.

Telford offers small classes with a 'HANDS ON' training emphasis. Regular course review ensures that we are providing the most upto- date and appropriate programme.

Scholarships, student loans, allowances and grants apply – enquire today!



Telford's course is divided into four main areas:

This programme includes:

- Plant identification
- Plant names
- Pests, diseases, disorders, and their control
- Weeds and how to control them
- Safe use of agrichemicals
- Plants: their life cycles and how they function
- Soils and fertilisers
- Plant propagation (seeds, cuttings, division, grafting)

You will also learn about:

- Basic gardening techniques
- Planting and maintaining annuals, perennials, and shrubs
- Preparing and using potting mix
- Maintaining plants in a glasshouse

The horticulture industry of New Zealand produces fruit and vegetables for our domestic and export markets by being efficient, using proven technologies and smart growing techniques.

Being a qualified Telford graduate employed with the industry means you are helping to feed the world and being financially rewarded for following your passion and making an impact on many lives both in New Zealand and overseas.

The skills and knowledge you learn can be used anywhere in the world.

Field Trips

Telford's Horticulture experience involves field trips to parks, private and public gardens, and botanical gardens. To get a taste of what the industry offers, there will be visits to nurseries, orchards, and garden centres.

