#### Rangitoto College AUCKLAND . NEW ZEALAND



### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROSPECTUS A WORLD CLASS EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE









## Core values

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Achieving excellence Enthusiastic participation Encouraging creativity Embracing diversity Pride with integrity Care and respect

## A world class educational experience

# Velcome

#### Rangitoto College is home to an extremely talented body of students who excel both nationally and internationally in academic, sporting and cultural pursuits.

The school has a culture in which excellence is encouraged, expected and celebrated. In partnership with parents we challenge all students to aspire to personal standards of achievement that enable them to reach their full potential, shaping their own, unique future from the rich diversity of opportunities available to them.

The school is able to offer students an extraordinarily wide range of course and subject options. We use our size to provide a depth of programme perhaps without comparison anywhere in the world. Students can excel at up to five of twenty four subjects at scholarship level, they can enter an extremely wide range of NZQA approved academic subjects or industry training employmentbased courses. No matter which direction students' interests take them, they will be met by a highly qualified teacher to stimulate and guide them.

Rangitoto College employs topquality teachers and ensures that they have the resources and facilities to inspire our students to the highest standards. Teachers are encouraged and supported to combine the best of traditional methodologies with a forward looking approach to teaching and learning. The school has embraced the five key competencies of the New Zealand curriculum: thinking; using language, symbols and texts; managing self; relating to others; participating and contributing

At Rangitoto College each individual is valued and a full range of personal and social support programmes ensures a safe, secure and emotionally fulfilling school. We have a superbly developed guidance department with counsellors and careers advisors complemented by a comprehensive school-wide support network of tutor teachers, deans and mentors. The health centre and a physiotherapy clinic serve students' medical and fitness needs. A dedicated, internationally-recognized peer support programme for Year 9 students assists in their orientation and induction.

While the core of the school will always be its academic achievement, the school is serious about educating the 'whole person'. Rangitoto College is a place where young people can mature into responsible and selfrespecting citizens with a broad and balanced world view. Our students are encouraged to see themselves as part of a learning community; one that starts within their school and spreads out - both nationally and globally.

Students can represent the school in over forty different sports. A High Performance programme in selected codes ensures that the most promising athletes enjoy professional coaching and support. The school is famous for its music, drama and dance programmes. Service to others is encouraged through a wide range of activities and a range of intellectual, cultural and social pursuits is offered.

At Rangitoto College mutual respect governs all interpersonal relationships. Students are renowned for their courtesy, honesty, diligence and hard work.

Our goal is to provide the very best education that a young person can receive. For all our students, Rangitoto College is a life-defining world-class educational experience.

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David Hodge, PRINCIPAL











## learning

The essence of learning at Rangitoto College balances the demands of both commanding content and mastering the skills of learning. Students are encouraged to choose subjects that they are passionate about, as well as those in which they feel their future lies. This fosters the joy of learning.

The College curriculum focuses on a set of Key Competencies that supports students in developing the skills to make them life long learners. The College specifically emphasises the importance of students developing Thinking skills that will enable them to form goals, take responsibility for their own learning and ultimately lead them into the world beyond school.

Involvement in wider school life complements and maximises classroom learning. It offers students the opportunity to practice their learning skills in a variety of stimulating and challenging settings.









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## performing

Performing at Rangitoto College is an integral part of college life. It encompasses everything from taking a support role in a class performance to singing with your choir in a National Competition at the Auckland Town Hall.

Performance encourages students to take risks and interact appropriately with a variety of audiences. It requires creativity, discipline and dedication – precisely the skills which support all learning.











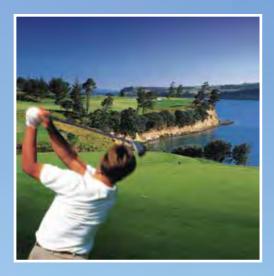
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## competing

All students are encouraged to be involved in competition at Rangitoto College, at a level that is appropriately challenging, stimulating and exhilarating for the individual. It encompasses everything from involvement in a social team through to representing your country at the highest level of International competition.

Competition encourages students to work as part of a team, and leadership. It requires commitment, persistence and resilience – important life skills.











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## location

Auckland is the biggest city in New Zealand. It is surrounded by water which is why it is often called the "city of sails".

Rangitoto College is located on the North Shore in New Zealand's largest city, Auckland. It is approximately 20 minutes from the central city by car.

The North Shore is a busy and growing area which has beaches and open spaces for which New Zealand is so well known

The 13,000 hectares of the North Shore have 148 kilometre of coastline.

The North Shore has a population of over 210,000 people and is home for a high percentage of professionally qualified executives.

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Every year international students add cultural diversity to the character of Rangitoto College, discovering new horizons and defining their own tomorrows.

Local students mix with fee-paying internationals from countries as diverse as Brazil, Chile, China, Germany, Italy, Korea, Spain and Thailand.

Some come for short summer programmes; some stay for six or twelve-month transition or 'Gap' experiences, and still others stay on long-term to graduate.

On arrival at Rangitoto College all international students participate in an Orientation Programme and are tested in English language ability.

The college offers wide curriculum choices and students enjoy great flexibility to select their preferred combination of subjects according to their needs, interests and career ambitions.

Rangitoto College has a dedicated international student office with five full time staff including a homestay co-ordinator and one part-time homestay assistant. In addition there are two academic deans who assist international students.









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## stay

Rangitoto College has hosted international students for many years. We have an experienced team of international staff who are dedicated to the academic and pastoral needs of our students.

International Students live with either a homestay family, designated caregiver or parent. Our own accommodation service provides friendly top-quality caregiver support.

Homestay families are chosen carefully, and monitored by the school and live close by in large comfortable homes usually within walking distance to a local beach.







### Living in New Zealand

#### CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Rangitoto College has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students published by the Ministry of Education. Copies of the Code are available on request from this institution or from the New Zealand Ministry of Education website at www.nzqa.govt.nz/providers-partners/caringfor-international-students/

#### IMMIGRATION

Full details of visa and permit requirements, advice on rights to employment in New

Zealand while studying and reporting requirements are available through the New Zealand Immigration Service, and can be viewed on their website at www.immigration.govt.nz

#### ELIGIBILITY FOR HEALTH SERVICES

Most international students are not entitled to publicly funded health services while in New Zealand. If you receive medical treatment during your visit, you may be liable for the full costs of that treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health, and can be viewed on their website at www.moh.govt.nz

#### ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Accident Compensation Corporation provide accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents and temporary visitor to New Zealand, but you may still be liable for all other medical and related costs. Further information can be viewed on the ACC website at www.acc.co.nz

#### MEDICAL AND TRAVEL INSURANCE

International students must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while staying in New Zealand.



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