

Study English where  
kiwis love to live

# Study in Nelson



Nelson is a seaside city at the top of the South Island, surrounded by three beautiful national parks. (population 60,000)

Nelson is a great little city. It's safe, friendly and energetic. Study at Nelson English Centre. We have high academic standards and a unique Nelson character. Enjoy the perfect all-round learning experience. Why study English anywhere else?



**Getting there**  
300 flights a week connect Nelson to Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch International Airports.



*"I could experience the daily life of New Zealand"*

Reiko, Japan



## A Great Little City

Nelson. It's a happening place with a welcoming community. And Nelson English Centre is right in the heart of Nelson, opposite the historic cathedral and gardens. Right from the school's door you can explore the city cafes, restaurants and shops. Listen to street musicians on tree-lined Trafalgar Street. Relax on the banks of the Maitai River after class.

## Urban Active

Nelson is a great city for walking, cycling, swimming, sailing and mountain biking. Nelsonians love to be outdoors! There are walking tracks around the hills and along the river. Kite surfers and stand up paddle boarders in action on Tahuna Beach. A wharf to fish from. Nelson is regarded as one of the best places to mountain bike in the world. For something less physical, you can relax in the 6-screen cinema, watch some live theatre, visit the museum or listen to a band in one of the pubs. Chat to the friendly locals and sample fresh local produce such as seafood, olives, wine and craft beers.

Life in Nelson is really interesting, convenient and lively, without big city hassles. You can walk and cycle everywhere. You'll find a lot to love about this great little city. You'll never want to leave.

## Nelson Homestays

A big advantage of studying in Nelson is the availability of so many amazing Kiwi homestays. We do our own placements and have a loyal homestay network of almost 200 families. Nelson is not a big city, not flooded with students, not a crowded tourist resort. It's a very livable city with a strong sense of community. Connect with the community through your homestay.

If you prefer to live independently, accommodation is easier to find and more affordable than in many bigger, busier cities. There is a good range of shared flats and backpackers in Nelson. Some apartments are also available. The choice is yours.

You can have a very social life in Nelson. Invite friends over and cook a meal together or have a party. Feel at home here.

## Work in Nelson

Nelson English Centre is an NZQA Category 1 school. If you study for 14 or more weeks you can get a job for up to 20 hours a week. There are quite a few jobs available in the Nelson region.

“It isn't just a school.  
It is a home for every  
single one regardless  
their nationalities,  
backgrounds and  
beliefs”

Sameer, Saudi Arabia



# A School with Character

Nelson English Centre is vibrant, exciting and a little bit quirky. There's lots of laughter. Surprises every day. Our students study hard and learn English quickly. But they also make new friends, share their stories and discuss the world. It's a great place for everyone.



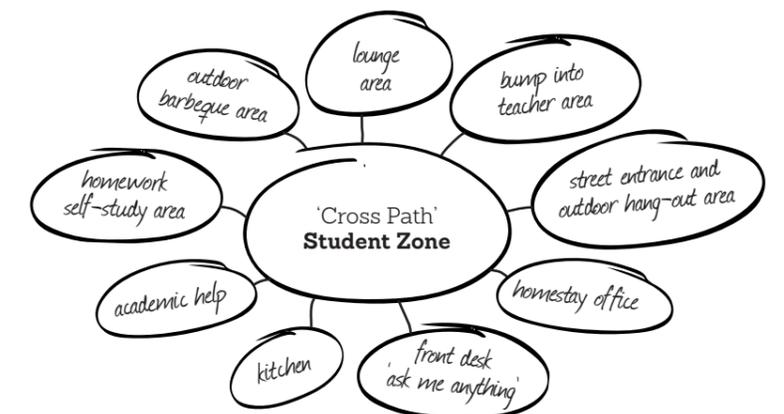
## Our Student Zone

Nelson English Centre has a strict but wonderful English-only rule! So students progress in listening and speaking much faster. English learning is not only for the classroom. The special design of our student zone makes it easy for students and staff to mix, get to know each other – and even work on difficult language points together. Our students quickly feel at home.

## A Happening Place

Be as social as you want to be. Find your favourite cafe. Eat lunch on the cathedral steps. Cook something for our International Food Day. Play pool with your friends. Put on your 'poker face' for poker night! There are fancy dress parties. Volleyball on the beach. Ukelele lessons. Ultimate frisbee in the park. Great little local walks. You can do it all.

The perfect all-round English learning experience.



Unique 'Cross Path' Student Zone

It's vibrant  
and exciting



# High Academic Standards

Nelson English Centre is home to a great team of teachers with very high academic standards. They want to help you learn as well and as quickly as possible. Specially trained exam teachers guide students through Cambridge and IELTS courses. General English students benefit from an efficient progression of learning that has just the right amount of challenge. At Nelson English Centre we take English learning seriously but don't forget to have fun.



Learn from qualified, experienced and enthusiastic teachers

*"All the teachers are energetic! They think deeply about students. They don't just give us the answers - they give us the opportunity to think and talk about the language"*

Kanako, Japan



## Academic Care

All our teachers are qualified, experienced and enthusiastic. Our students feel free to ask questions at any time. Students are also encouraged to talk with our two academic directors about their English learning progress and any special academic needs they may have. Their door is open.

- Generous help with homework from academic coordinators in self-study student zone
- Graduation certificate and report showing strengths, weaknesses and level achieved, in line with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

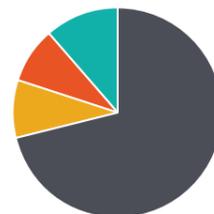
## What you can expect

- Written and spoken placement test
- You study in a class just right for you
- Cambridge and IELTS exam course options (pre-entry test required)
- A modern curriculum that balances traditional language points with relevant topics
- A philosophy of teaching and learning grounded in the best practices and research from the UK, Australia and New Zealand
- All teachers have EFL specific qualifications from the University of Cambridge or Trinity College
- Follow-up interview with academic coordinator within first two weeks of study



### Nationality Breakdown

Austria	2%
Brazil	3%
China	2%
Czech Republic	3%
France	4%
Germany	8%
Italy	4%
Japan	10%
South Korea	9%
Saudia Arabia	5%
Switzerland (German)	29%
Switzerland (French)	5%
Taiwan	7%
Thailand	2%
*Other	7%



### Course Breakdown

General English	
IELTS	
Cambridge Advanced (CAE)	
First Certificate (FCE)	

Outstanding Academic Reputation

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## Independent inspection reports

Nelson English Centre is regularly audited by three different organisations; two industry organisations and one government body.



*"Nelson English Centre is a well run school with an exceptionally welcoming atmosphere."*

*"Teaching contents are based on modern material, grounded in current research."*

English New Zealand audit report



*"The facilities are welcoming and modern."*

IALC audit report



*"Nelson English Centre is an internationally recognised English language school with highly valued relationships with English New Zealand and IALC."*

*"The school provides a culture where students get everything they need in a professional school."*

NZQA EER report

*"English only in school is helpful for improving my English"*

Jong Seok, South Korea



# Breathtaking Nature

Immerse yourself in nature. Revitalize. The Nelson region is well known for its impressive, clean and easily accessible natural environment. It's simply stunning! Many New Zealanders think it's the ideal region to live or to have a holiday. Come and see for yourself.



*"I think Nelson is perfectly located. It's easy to visit different National Parks at the weekends"*

Jonas, Switzerland

## Connect with Nature

### Close to Nelson

There is a wide choice of beautiful places to explore close to Nelson. Swim in the clear water of Cable Bay, just a 20-minute drive from Nelson. Go wine tasting in the many vineyards near Nelson. Have a barbecue and swim at Rabbit Island – there is even a cycle path from Nelson. About an hour's drive away you can hire a kayak at popular Kaiteriteri Beach, with its golden sands.

### One to two and a half hour's drive from Nelson

Do a day or multi-day coastal walk in stunning Abel Tasman National Park. Or kayak it. Run down the sand dunes to the spectacular rock formations of Wharariki Beach, just west of Cape Farewell. If you love the mountains, climb Mount Robert or walk around Lake Rotoiti in Nelson Lakes National Park. Look for hobbits in Kahurangi National Park, one of the locations in the Lord of the Rings films. It's wild and it's bold. You might even meet a cheeky kea, New Zealand's alpine parrot! It's only found in the South Island.

### Explore the rest of the South Island when you finish your study

Nelson is a key gateway for travel around the South Island. Most students do a loop around the island and come back to visit. All ex-students are welcome to use the wifi in our student zone. There's no time limit on this welcome – even after 20 years or more!

### Independent Travel Advice

You can get lots of help at the front desk with:

- Itineraries
- Rental cars
- Bus travel
- Accommodation

### The Centre of New Zealand Advantage

Nelson is at the exact centre of New Zealand. The advantage of the Nelson to Nelson South Island loop is that you end up at the top of the south, ready to catch the ferry from nearby Picton to Wellington to begin your North Island travel. This is a highly efficient itinerary.

### Average Yearly Sunshine Hours



Get lots of help planning your trips at the school's front desk



# Join us... and study where kiwis love to live

Great region. Great little city. Great school.  
Great homestay experience. Great all round.

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41 Selwyn Place  
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Nelson  
New Zealand



*"I love teachers  
and the atmosphere  
in NEC"*

Lydia, South Korea

*"The best place to  
make friends and  
learn English"*

Erik, Brazil

*"The sassy red Mac's  
beer. The wonderful  
sea, the helpful  
people and the  
little town"*

Patrick, Switzerland

*"Miss everything in  
this school. It's the  
best school ever"*

Abdulrahman, Saudi Arabia

*"I enjoy Nelson's  
sunny weather.  
It's wonderful!"*

Kun Tsun, Taiwan

*"I like Nelson. It's  
not too big and  
not too small"*

Marina, Japan

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