



Arrival Information

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***This information might help you to prepare before you
leave your country.***



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Welcome to Aspiring Language Institute!!

Aspiring Language Institute is a private, exclusive English language school which was established in January 1989 in Christchurch. In 2011, Aspiring Language Institute opened in Auckland, the biggest city in New Zealand.

Our Institute offers a high level of personal attention to students who are treated as individuals and encouraged to develop their English skills to the best of their ability.

We hope you will have a wonderful stay in Auckland and you will enjoy studying at Aspiring Language Institute.

Our Staff

Name	Position	Languages spoken
Janet Wang	Director	Chinese, English
Masako Doffman	Office Manager	Japanese, English
Carlos Preciado	Marketing Manager	Spanish, French, Portuguese, English
Yifan Li	Teacher Aid	Chinese, English
Allen Wang	Marketing Officer	Chinese, English
Blanca Bai	Marketing Officer	Chinese, English
Scarlett Lee	Marketing Officer	Korean, English

Please do not forget that everybody is here to help you. If you have any problems please talk to any staff member immediately and s/he will do their best to help you.

Contact Details

Address: Level 5, 115 Queen Street,
CBD, Auckland, New Zealand

Phone: (64) 09 282 4622
(Mon-Fri / 8:30 and 17:00)

Email: study-at@aspiring.ac.nz

Urgent emergency number: 021-647-777



Cultural Differences

At some point, you will experience 'cultural differences' when you come to a foreign country. This is a normal reaction and lots of students have experienced it.

The best way to avoid this is to be aware of basic customs and culture of New Zealand before you leave your country so that you can minimize the shock.

Please talk to one of our friendly experienced staff. They can advise you and offer support.

Auckland Climate

Auckland has a mild coastal weather without extremes of temperature.

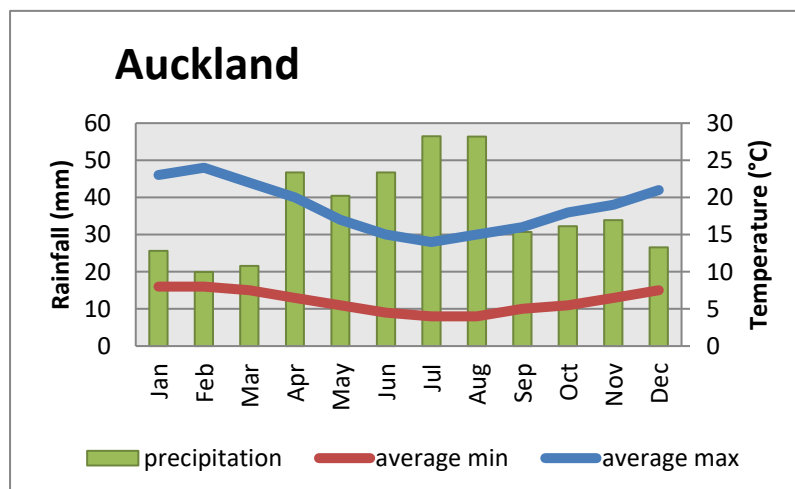
There are 4 seasons but they are the opposite of the Northern Hemisphere.

Summer is from December to February, autumn is from March to May, winter is from June to August and spring is from September to November.

Plenty of rain is experienced throughout the year, but mainly in winter season.

The average temperature in Auckland during summer season is 23 °C, while winter season temperatures are on average 14 °C.

Auckland weather can be very changeable so you may experience as 'four seasons in one day'



Before you leave your country.....

*It is very important to have the following documents to study in New Zealand.
Please make sure you have prepared them before you leave.*

1. Valid Visa

To enter in NZ, you **MUST** have a valid visa.

If you are entering as a 'tourist', you will receive a 'Visitor Visa' stamp at NZ airports. However, citizens of some countries are required to apply for a 'Visitor Visa' before leaving their country. Please visit www.immigration.govt.nz for more information.

2. Adequate Insurance

International students (including group students) **MUST** have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while in New Zealand.

An acceptable insurance company is a reputable and established insurer with a credit rating no lower than 'A' from Standard and Poor's of B+ from A M Best, and is able to provide services 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

An adequate local policy is Southern Cross Travel Insurance, which the Institute recommends as most suitable for a typical foreign student

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 provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents, and temporary visitors 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.

When you arrive at Auckland Airport.....

1. Immigration:
You need to show your passport and arrival card (you will get it on your flight) at the immigration counter. They may ask some questions about your stay in New Zealand.
2. Pick up your luggage:
Check your arrival flight number and then go to the carousel to pick your luggage which you've checked in.
3. Customs:
After collecting your luggage, proceed to the exiting point where your passenger arrival card will be checked by an officer prior to passing through Customs and the New Zealand quarantine inspection service.
4. Arrival Hall:
 - 4.1 If you have requested the school to pick you up, please look for your name.



(Sample)

4.2 If you see your name then please approach the person. (Don't be afraid)

4.3 If you are not able to find your name then please wait in front of McDonald's. (see map No 2)



- a. Other Transport Options:
 - ❖ Sky Bus (Between Auckland Airport to City centre) - runs every 10-20 minutes
 - ❖ Taxi – door to door service
 - ❖ Shuttle Bus – door to door service but share with other passengers

First Day at Aspiring

On your first day at school you will sit a test to find out what your English level is.

- Please make sure that you arrive before 9:30 am at the reception
- Please don't forget to bring the following documents:
 - * your passport,
 - * your visa,
 - * proof of your medical & travel insurance,
 - * and a passport size photo for your student ID card
- You also need a pen or pencil
- Book deposit (\$50.00 for General English and \$70.00 for IELTS)

We will show you the room where you can sit down and be ready for the placement test.

First Day Schedule

9:30	Arrive at school (Please present your passport, visa and insurance policy)
09:30 - 10:30	Grammar Test
10:30 - 10:45	Break Time
10:45 - 11:30	Writing Test
11:30 - 12:30	Orientation*

**You will start your class from Tuesday.

At the Orientation.....

- ❖ You will have a school tour
- ❖ You will be introduced to our office staff
- ❖ You will learn about school policies and procedures
- ❖ You will be advised about emergency contact details, student ID, Wifi password

Lesson Schedule

{Morning Classes}

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:30 - 10:00	Intensive English Class				
10:00 - 10:15	Break Time				
10:15 - 11:15	Intensive English Class				
11:15 - 11:30	Break Time				
11:30 - 12:30	Intensive English Class				
12:30 - 13:15	Lunch Break				
13:15 - 14:15	Movie Day	Elective Class	Elective Class	Elective Class	Activity

1. Intensive English Class includes General English and IELTS Preparation Course
2. Movie days are not compulsory. Each session is \$2.00. Sign up at the reception by Monday before 11:30
3. Movie days and activities are not mandatory, however, we encourage students to participate. Some activities may require participants to pay a fee
4. Elective classes are an excellent way to improve that specific skill you feel is your weakest point. We will advise you which one can be the best option for your English learning process; elective class options are:
 - * Guided Individual Learning
 - * Speaking and Listening
 - * Writing workshop
 - * Grammar

{Evening Classes}

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17:00 - 18:30	Intensive English Class				
18:30 - 19:00	Break Time				
19:00 - 21:00	Intensive English Class				

New Zealand Law

SMOKING

Smoking is banned in most public areas including shopping malls, public transport, workplaces, and bars and restaurants, although some bars and restaurants have outdoor smoking areas.

DRINKING

The legal age for entry into pubs, bars and clubs in New Zealand where alcohol is served is 18 years of age. You must produce identification stating your age. A passport or a driver's license will be accepted.

DRIVING

You can begin to learn to drive in New Zealand at 16 years of age.

If you have an international drivers licence, you can drive in New Zealand and hire rental cars. If you want to hire a car, please check with the rental car company what the minimum age a driver must be before they can hire a car. You must show the rental car company your licence.

DRUGS

It is against the law to buy, sell, use or possess certain drugs including marijuana, methamphetamine and ecstasy in New Zealand.

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***All Aspiring Language Institute staff are looking forward to  
welcoming you.***

***See you at the school!!***