



Rangitoto  
College

# International Student Prospectus



# WELCOME TO Rangitoto College



A Message from our Principal

It is a pleasure to welcome you to the Rangitoto College community. Choosing to study abroad is a significant milestone, and we are honoured that you are considering joining us here in New Zealand.

At Rangitoto College, we pride ourselves on being a world-class institution that balances academic rigour with a supportive, inclusive environment.

As New Zealand's largest secondary school, we offer an unparalleled breadth of subjects and extracurricular activities, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to discover their passions and excel in their chosen fields.

We understand that moving to a new country is a bold step. Our dedicated International Team is committed to ensuring you feel at home from the moment you arrive. Whether you are pursuing the globally recognised IB Diploma or the NZQA curriculum, participating in our sporting programmes, or exploring our vibrant performing arts, you will be supported by teachers and peers who value diversity and global citizenship.

Our goal is to empower you with the skills, confidence, and international perspective necessary to succeed in an ever-changing world. We don't just prepare you for university; we prepare you for life.

We look forward to sharing our Kiwi culture with you and, in turn, learning from the unique perspectives you bring to our campus. Your journey toward a world-class future starts here.

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**Greg Thornton**  
Principal of Rangitoto College

# OUR Location

Rangitoto College provides an ideal setting for international students seeking a blend of quality education and enriching cultural experiences.

Nestled in Mairangi Bay, a picturesque suburb north of Auckland CBD, the school offers easy access to some of New Zealand's most stunning beaches and the convenience of nearby retail shops and food establishments.

The location of our college offers a safe environment for young people, while being well-connected to Auckland's downtown attractions via a public transport network, making it easy for students to explore the city's cultural and recreational offerings. Known for its welcoming atmosphere and commitment to student success, Rangitoto College is an excellent choice for those looking to study in New Zealand.



# RANGITOTO College Campus

Rangitoto College spans an impressive 23 hectares of land, providing ample space for a diverse array of facilities that are often not found in smaller schools.

Our campus resembles a mini-university, where students move between purpose-built subject blocks. These buildings house modern classrooms, science labs, a library, technology workspaces and a dance studio.

Our sports facilities include an olympic-standard hockey turf, three gymnasiums, a fitness centre and multiple sports fields.

In addition, Rangitoto College supports students' future aspirations through a dedicated careers department that offers guidance on higher education, scholarships, and career opportunities.



# OUR Academic Programmes

The New Zealand high school system is renowned for its balanced focus on both personal development and academic excellence. At the heart of this approach is a diverse curriculum that encourages students to enhance their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Students can opt for either the **NZQA curriculum** or the globally recognised **IB Diploma programme**.

Built on a knowledge-rich curriculum, the **New Zealand secondary qualification** gives students clearer career pathways, solid foundations, and greater confidence.

The **International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme** is globally recognised for its rigorous academic standards, making it ideal for students aiming for prestigious universities worldwide.

Our dedicated Careers Department assists students in exploring their future pathways, offering information, advice, and guidance through a comprehensive careers programme, group sessions, and personalised one-on-one support.



## SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS & MORE

# Extracurricular Activities

Rangitoto College offers a diverse range of extracurricular activities that cater to various interests and talents, ensuring every single student has numerous opportunities to explore and develop outside the classroom.

From sports to performing arts, academic clubs to community service initiatives, there's something for everyone.

Sports enthusiasts can participate in teams such as rugby, hockey, football, netball, and basketball, while the arts-focused students might engage in music bands, drama productions, or dance groups.

For those interested in academic enrichment, clubs like debating, robotics, and chess provide a platform to focus on intellectual skills.

Additionally, Rangitoto College encourages students to get involved in community service and leadership programmes, fostering a sense of social responsibility and personal growth. These activities not only enhance students' school experience but also help in building lifelong skills and friendships.



# PASTORAL CARE & Student Wellbeing

Rangitoto College has been welcoming international students for many years, providing an exceptional team focused on meeting their academic and pastoral needs

## DEDICATED SUPPORT SERVICES

- Our team operates a dedicated office where international students can drop in for general guidance and support during their enrolment.
- Beyond the international office, a broader community of teachers, administrative staff, and professional guidance counsellors is available to assist students with their daily requirements.
- Our team includes staff that can support students in their first language.

## COMMITMENT TO SAFETY AND WELLBEING

- Rangitoto College adheres to the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021, which establishes mandatory standards and guidelines for education providers.
- Ensuring the safety and wellbeing of international learners.
- Compliance with these standards is regularly monitored by the Ministry of Education.



# THE Homestay Experience

International students have the option to live with a homestay family, a designated caregiver (such as relatives or family friends), or their parents.

Rangitoto College works in collaboration with local families who welcome international learners into their homes creating a rich cultural experience.

These host families are subject to a comprehensive selection process and monitored by the school regularly.

Living with a host family allows students to immerse themselves in the local lifestyle while giving them a perfect opportunity to improve their English in real life conversations.



A TOP CHOICE FOR

# Academic Excellence & Course Flexibility

## LOCATION

New Zealand is a beautiful country with open-minded and friendly people. Our school is located in a safe residential area, just a short walk from some of Auckland's most beautiful beaches. A well-connected public transport system provides students with easy access to the city centre and its main attractions.

## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & COURSE FLEXIBILITY

We offer a dual-pathway curriculum, allowing students to select the system that aligns best with their university aspirations. The NZQA curriculum gives students the possibility to choose from a comprehensive list of academic and vocational subjects.

## SPECIALISED ESOL SUPPORT

Rangitoto College has an extensive ESOL department. International students with limited English are required to attend ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) classes to enhance their English skills through full immersion.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Education extends beyond the classroom. Students have the chance to engage in a variety of sports, performing arts, and other activities. These experiences provide opportunities to connect with others in a more relaxed environment, fostering lifelong friendships.

## CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Rangitoto College takes pride in its diverse student community, celebrating a wide range of ethnic backgrounds and cultural differences.

## COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT SUPPORT

A dedicated international team is here to assist students with their daily needs, while our academic advisors offer guidance to ensure a successful school experience that also prepares them for their future.



*An unforgettable experience awaits you.*

For more information, please refer to the message on the back of this prospectus or visit our website.





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## Your world-class future starts here

Apply online or contact us on the details below for more information.

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