

GRADE AND CREDIT CONVERSION – MSU Office of Study Abroad

PROGRAM: Lincoln University

SPONSOR: The College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (Department of ARFE: ABM, FIM and EEP)

Scale	MSU Grade Equivalent*	Waikato Units	MSU Equivalent Credits
A+, A, A-	4.0	15	4
B+	3.5		
B/B-	3.0		
C+	2.5		
C/C-	2.0		
D	1.0		
E	0.0		

* Adapted from <http://www.wes.org/gradeconversionguide/newzealand.htm> and <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/PageFiles/515/Study%20Abroad%20A4%20flyer%2009%20EMAIL.pdf>

Other academic information:

Semesters consist of 14 weeks of classes, one study week and two weeks of exams:

Semester 1 - February to June

Semester 2 - July to November

A Bachelor degree normally takes three years. There are rarely core elective requirements to fulfill, so students start taking classes towards their major during their first semester. Therefore, 1st year classes in New Zealand are generally equivalent to 2nd year classes in the US; 2nd year NZ classes are equivalent to 3rd year US classes; and 3rd year NZ classes are equivalent to 4th year US classes.

Study Abroad students are required to study full-time to satisfy Immigration New Zealand requirements.

This means that students will need to study 60 Lincoln University credits per semester:

For undergraduate students this means choosing four courses per semester, each worth 15 credits.

These equate to 30 ECTS or 16 US credits per semester respectively.

100	Undergraduate Degree – Year 1
200	Undergraduate Degree – Year 2
300	Undergraduate Degree – Year 3
400	Undergraduate Honours Degree – Year 4; BLA only

Each course has a prefix/code and descriptive title. The prefix denotes the course content and the code denotes the level at which it is taught.

Useful Web Sites:

Home page: <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Studying-at-Lincoln/>

Course Descriptions: <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Degrees-Diplomas-and-Certificates/Courses-A--Z/>

UNDERGRADUATE degree courses:

<http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/PageFiles/535/Semester%202010%20Course%20Information.pdf>

Key Dates: <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Studying-at-Lincoln/Key-dates/>



