

# This document compiles the information pertaining to Tertiary education facilities under the NZ Covid Protection Framework

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Students can attend tertiary education in person at Orange.

[My Vaccine Pass Advice for tertiary providers](#)

## **Tertiary education can open**

Tertiary education facilities can open, with public health measures, such as wearing face coverings strongly recommended.

Tertiary students can attend classes, lectures, labs, workshops, tutorials, and meetings in person.

### **My Vaccine Pass**

Your tertiary provider may choose to require My Vaccine Pass for you to attend in-person learning (unless an exemption applies). Check with your provider about their requirements.

Children under the age of 12 years and 3 months do not need to provide a My Vaccine Pass to enter places with a vaccination requirement.

### **Scan in or keep a record of where you go**

Scan the QR code or keep a record of where you go. This will help with contact tracing for any cases in your community.

## **Education when self-isolating**

If you are sick, waiting for your COVID-19 test results or have been asked to self-isolate you should stay home, and not go to your educational facility.

Your school, kura, or tertiary facility should provide distance learning options if you need to stay home.

Talk to your education provider if you or your child needs to learn from home.

## **Student accommodation**

Student accommodation can open.

Accommodation providers can choose to require My Vaccine Pass for residents and staff.

Check with your provider about their requirements.

Students can travel back and forth between their home and their student accommodation.

[Travel at Orange](#)

## **Face coverings at Orange**

Face coverings help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

At Orange you must wear a face covering in retail outlets and on public transport. We strongly encourage you wear a face covering everywhere else.

[When to wear a face covering](#)

## **Help with travelling to get vaccinated**

COVID-19 vaccinations are free. If you need help with costs to get to a vaccination centre, talk to StudyLink about how they can help you.

[COVID-19 vaccination travel | studylink.govt.nz\(external link\)](#)

## **Keep up healthy habits to protect us**

Even though we are a highly vaccinated country, COVID-19 can still spread in our communities.

To slow the spread of the virus, and continue to help protect you, your whānau, and your community, it is important to keep up the healthy habits we know.

- Regularly wash and thoroughly dry your hands or use hand sanitiser.
- Sneeze and cough into your elbow.
- Keep your distance from people you do not know.
- Clean or disinfect shared surfaces often.
- If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, stay home and get a test.

[Keep up healthy habits](#)

## **More information for tertiary providers**

Tertiary education providers can find more information on [education.govt.nz](#)

[COVID-19 Protection Framework for tertiary education providers | education.govt.nz](#)

# Tertiary and international education at Orange

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## Tertiary education will operate with additional public health measures in place

There is increasing community transmission with increasing pressure on health system.

Whole of health system is focusing resources but can manage – primary care, public health, and hospitals.

There is increasing risk to at-risk populations.

- Vaccination requirements
- Remote learning
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- Libraries and indoor hubs
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### Vaccination requirements

Public health measures (for example capacity limits, physical distancing, face coverings and ventilation) are strongly recommended at Orange. There is no Government vaccination requirement for tertiary education premises in Orange.

### **Remote learning**

Where possible, providers are encouraged to make learning options available for those who are unable or unwilling to attend classes being held onsite.

### **Teaching and learning spaces**

Tertiary education providers can choose capacity limits in teaching and learning spaces for Orange and Green, taking into account the community transmission and vaccination rates in their area and other public health requirements they may impose (for example physical distancing, face coverings, ventilation and vaccination). Teaching and learning spaces include spaces for workshops, classes, labs, tutorials, meetings, noho marae, exams and assessments, as well as for orientation and induction activities required in teaching and learning programmes. Providers should also consider their staff and learner wellbeing and safety systems, plans and goals.

Face coverings are encouraged.

### **Research and related activities (including activities in studios, theatres, and other spaces that creative and humanities disciplines use)**

Research and related activities can take place if they comply with the general COVID-19 requirements that apply at Orange, the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and relevant WorkSafe regulations. Providers are encouraged to utilise dedicated health and safety risk assessments for each activity, controlled group sizes for onsite work (including in the field), and other public health measures as appropriate (including face coverings).

In studios, theatres and other spaces that creative and humanities disciplines use, high-risk activities such as singing should be carefully managed.

### **Libraries and indoor hubs**

Tertiary education providers can choose capacity limits for libraries and indoor hubs for Orange and Green, taking into account the community transmission and vaccination rates in their area and other public health requirements they may impose (for example physical distancing, face coverings, ventilation and vaccination).

Providers should also consider their staff and learner wellbeing and safety systems, plans and goals.

Face coverings are encouraged.

### **Workplace-based learning, including apprenticeships, practicums, internships and work placements**

Workplace-based learning (including support and assessments) is to be managed subject to the policies, practices and public health control requirements that apply to that workplace, including vaccination requirements. This includes secondary school students undertaking formal workplace-based learning, for example, via the Gateway programme.

For students intending to enrol in courses or programmes that will involve workplace-based learning in a workplace setting that requires vaccination, tertiary education providers will need to ensure that students are aware that vaccination will be required for completion.

### **Secondary-tertiary provision at tertiary sites**

School students are exempt from My Vaccine Pass requirements when accessing their secondary learning in tertiary settings. Tertiary education providers should take special precautions in relation to these students and their teaching staff as appropriate for each setting, which may include alignment with school guidance.

### [COVID-19 Protection Framework advice for schools and kura](#)

Other measures could include requiring face coverings and keeping class sizes small. Secondary school students on a tertiary campus for other reasons (e.g., open days or outreach events) are not exempt from vaccine pass requirements and should follow the policies and processes set by the provider. School students should be made aware of different requirements operating across delivery sites.

Where tertiary education provider staff go on to school sites for delivery to school students, these staff members must be vaccinated.

### **Staff working onsite**

In Orange and Green, staff can be onsite, subject to their provider's risk assessment and with relevant public health measures in place. Providers may consider remote working options as part of their risk assessment.

### **Onsite businesses and services (e.g., retail, hospitality, gyms, health and counselling services, student support)**

Businesses and services on tertiary education sites should operate subject to COVID-19 Protection Framework guidelines and rules for the relevant sector (e.g., retail, hospitality, gyms, close contact businesses). In some sectors, vaccinations will be required for staff and may be required for those accessing the premises (e.g., gyms).

Guidelines for these businesses and services are available on [COVID-19 Protection Framework \(traffic lights\) - business.govt.nz](#).

### **Onsite settings where vaccine passes cannot be required for access**

Vaccine passes cannot be required for access to certain locations, including health and disability services, all licensed early childhood education services and registered schools, dairies, and pharmacies. See the Unite Against COVID website for the full list of vaccine pass prohibited locations.

[Unite Against COVID](#)

### **Events and gatherings**

For guidance on holding events (e.g., graduation, conferences) or gatherings (e.g. social sports), refer to the COVID-19 Protection Framework guidance on events and gatherings at the different traffic light settings.

Details are available on the [Events and gatherings guidelines - business.govt.nz](#).

### **Record keeping and contact tracing**

Tertiary education providers are required to display the official NZ COVID Tracer QR code posters in prominent (and ideally, accessible) places at or near entrances and elsewhere onsite. They must also have an alternative contact record system for people who do not use the NZ COVID Tracer app. We encourage tertiary education providers to have contact tracing systems in place for all staff, students, and visitors onsite. This may include having systems and processes in place to ensure that each

person entering the facility scans the QR code or provides details to enable contact tracing.

### **Student and staff travel**

Travel follows the general COVID-19 Protection Framework rules which are available on [Travel - Unite Against COVID-19](#).

### **Student accommodation**

There is no Government requirement for residents or staff in student accommodation to be vaccinated. We suggest that providers undertake a thorough risk assessment of their accommodation and develop proposals for operating that include clear systems and practices for staff and resident wellbeing and safety at each setting of the COVID-19 Protection Framework. As part of their risk assessment, we encourage tertiary education providers and private providers to consider the role of vaccination of staff and residents in these operating proposals, given the difficulty of applying other public health measures (physical distancing and good ventilation, for example) and the shared facilities in student accommodation.

The Tertiary and international Code of Practice (that will come into force from 1 January 2022) requires student accommodation providers to have emergency management plans in place, including plans for supporting residents when it becomes unsafe for them to remain in student accommodation. The Ministry of Education is working alongside the Ministry of Health to provide guidance on case management, and this will be available shortly.

### [Tertiary and international Code](#)