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**STUDY IN  
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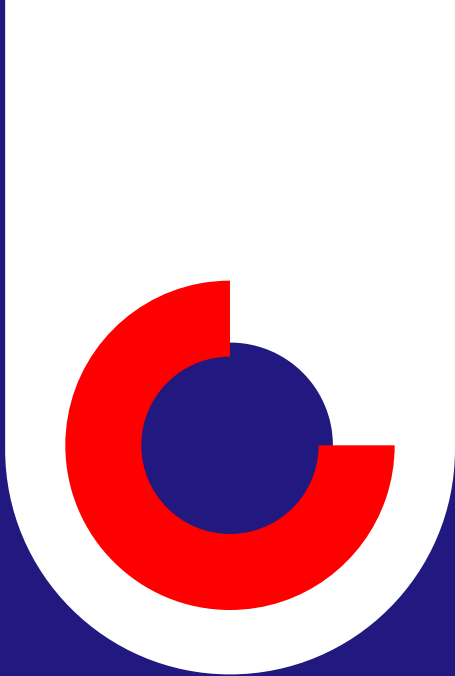


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# Part-Time Options While Study in New Zealand

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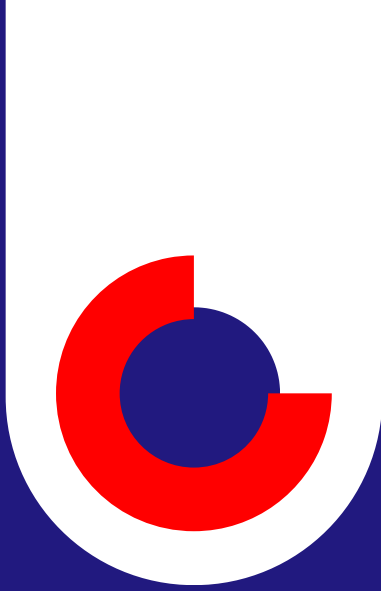
Students who are enrolled in a full-time study program are allowed to work approximately 20 hours per week on a part-time basis. This is a boon for a lot of international students on New Zealand student visa who take this opportunity of working on a student visa to not just gain work experience but also earn some extra money which is a great help for them financially.



## Post Study Work Visa New Zealand 2025

The Post Study Work Visa allows international students who have completed a qualification in New Zealand to stay and work in the country for a certain period after graduation. This visa is critical for gaining hands-on work experience in New Zealand's job market, helping students bridge the gap between their studies and potential long-term career prospects.

The visa also provides a pathway for students to transition to permanent residency, as the work experience gained while on the PSWV can contribute to a successful residency application under the Skilled Migrant Category among other visas available.



# Duration of Post Study Work Visa

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The duration of the PSWV will depend on your qualification level and where you studied in New Zealand. Some key points include:

- For a qualification at Level 7 or below: Students should have completed their course in full-time mode for the full duration of the program. Additionally, their qualification should also be on the Qualifications Eligible for a Post Study Work Visa list.
- For a qualification at Level 7 or higher (e.g., bachelor's degree or above): Graduates from degree-level and postgraduate programs may qualify for up to three years of post study work rights if they have studied at least 30 weeks in New Zealand in full-time mode.

## Work Conditions on a Post Study Work Visa New Zealand

New Zealand's focus on attracting skilled workers has led to changes in the types of jobs and industries eligible for post study work. If the graduate has studied a level 7 or below qualification, they would only be allowed to work in a field related to their program. However, graduates in level 7 or above, can work in any sector or job role they want.



# New Zealand Post Study Work Visa Requirements 2025

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The documents required for the PSWV include:

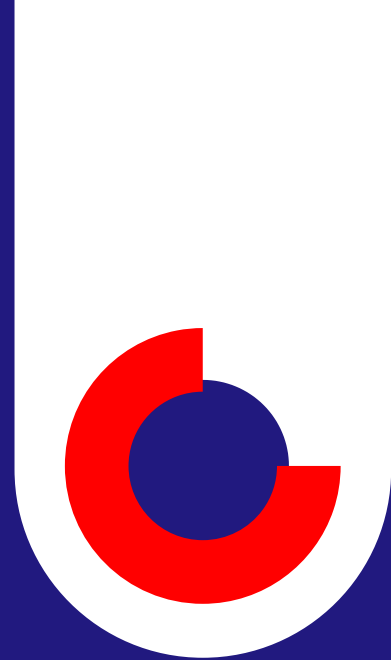
- Valid Passport
- Proof of Qualification: Your diploma, degree certificate, or official transcript.
- Offer of Employment: While this is not mandatory for the visa application, having a job offer in New Zealand can help smooth the process.
- Medical and Character Certificates: If required, provide evidence of health checks and police clearances.
- Proof of funds: Show bank statements, etc. to prove at the time of applying that you have at least NZD 5000 as the cost of living in New Zealand.



## Post Study Work Visa New Zealand Application Process 2025

Navigating the application process for the Post Study Work Visa is relatively straightforward, but students must ensure they meet all eligibility requirements and submit the necessary documents.

- **Complete Your Qualification:** Before applying, ensure that you have completed your qualification in New Zealand and that it meets the criteria for the Post Study Work Visa. Make sure to apply within 3 months of the New Zealand study visa expiring and for Level 10 degrees, within 6 months.



- **Prepare Documents:** The required documents typically include your passport, proof of your qualification, evidence of meeting health and character requirements, and proof of funds.
- **Submit Your Application:** Applications are usually submitted online through the New Zealand Immigration website. The processing time can vary, but most applications are processed within a few weeks.
- **Wait for Approval:** Once your visa application is approved, you will be granted the visa and can start looking for work.

## New Zealand Partner Visa

For the partners of New Zealand student visa holders, they can apply for the New Zealand student spouse visa.

- Partners of New Zealand student visa holders can only apply for visitor visa if their spouse holds a valid Student Visa for New Zealand. Their student visa must be active at the time of their application. Their partner's visa will be aligned with the duration of the student visa, and it cannot exceed the length of time they are permitted to stay in New Zealand.

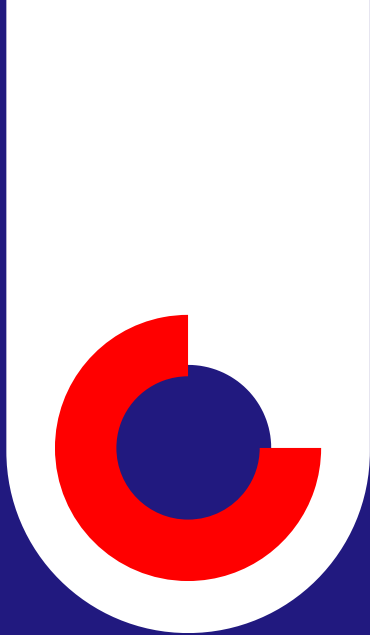
- For a New Zealand Partner of Student Work visa, the partner must hold a valid Student Visa for New Zealand. Additionally, the partner's eligibility for this visa depends on the student's studies. They must be enrolled in an eligible Level 7 or 8 qualification, or any Level 9 or 10 qualification. The partner's visa will be aligned with the length of the student visa. The work visa will allow your partner to stay and work as long as you remain in New Zealand with a valid student visa.



Having the Spouse visa NZ, makes international students eligible to get numerous benefits. Firstly, they would be eligible for a Partner of Student Work Visa NZ. Secondly, they would be eligible to study in New Zealand for up to 3 months. In case your partner's qualifications do not come in the above-mentioned category your New Zealand spouse visa consultant in Chandigarh can guide you for an NZ partner visitor visa.

## **New Zealand Spouse Visa Checklist**

- Academics – Secondary education onwards
- Resume
- Work experience (Salary slips, Bank statements, ITR's) (if Self Employed, Business Registration certificate, Business ITR's)
- Full Passport
- Medical (Full)
- PCC
- Marriage Certificate, Palace Certificate, Gurudwara Marriage Certificate, Palace Bills, Palace Certificate



- Communication proofs (WhatsApp, calls, Instagram etc.)
- Funds (approx. 4200 NZD per person)
- Joint account/Joint FD, Joint Property
- Aadhaar Card, Voter Card, PAN card of both
- Digital photographs
- Visa History (Refusals & Approvals) (if any)
- Relationship Summary/Chronology (Format given)
- Marriage photographs, After Marriage photographs, Before Marriage

- Marriage cards from both sides
- Living Together Evidence
- INZ 1241
- Dual Name Affidavit (If Any)
- Other random photographs, Facebook & Instagram Screenshots/ Updates.
- Old Passport (If old passports are lost then provide FIR copy)
- Any Medical Report or any other document showing (W/o) & same address (Shopping bills)

## New Zealand Student Dependent Child Visa Options & Requirements

New Zealand Student Dependent visa is also an important category in the New Zealand visas. If you have dependent children and are looking forward to study abroad then Study in New Zealand could be an excellent option for you. Your dependent child may apply for a visitor visa or a student visa. The New Zealand student dependent child visa category of the visa for your child depends on the course you are enrolled in for your New Zealand study.



## **New Zealand student dependent child visa option Student visa**

This is a very attractive option for your children. If you have school going dependent children and are enrolled in an eligible course then you may apply for a Student visa for your child.



## **Courses That Support Dependent Children**

Following are courses under which you may support student visa for dependent kids

- PhD for study in New Zealand
- Masters by research for study in New Zealand

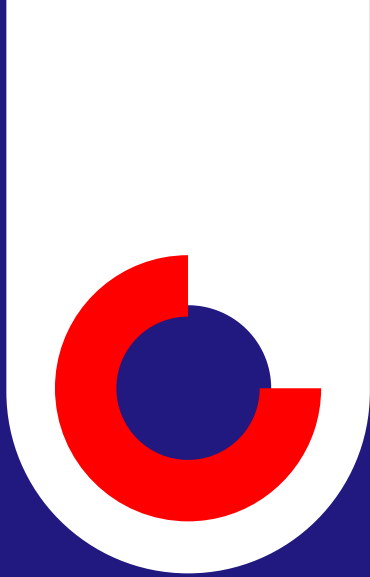
Above are the 2 levels of courses where you may support the dependent student visa for New Zealand for your school going children.

### **What if you can support a dependent work visa for your spouse but cannot support a student visa for your dependent school going children?**

There may be certain situations where you may apply for a New Zealand work visa for your dependent spouse but cannot apply student visa for your children. You may still apply for your children's student visa based on your dependent spouse's work visa eligibility.

The process would be as follows:

- Apply for your New Zealand study visa
- Get your study in New Zealand visa



- Apply for a work visa for your spouse (Work visa eligibility for the dependent spouse depends on the course and other living together requirements)
- Apply for a student visa for your kids based on the eligibility of your spouse for a work visa. The visa for children can be applied along with the spouse

### **Other Courses where the New Zealand student visa applicant may support New Zealand work visa for the spouse**

- Masters by coursework
- Post graduate courses at level 8 of New Zealand qualification framework where the course is in the New Zealand Green list
- Graduate Diploma at level 7 of the New Zealand qualification framework where the course is in the New Zealand Green list
- New Zealand diplomas at Level 6 which feature in the Green List

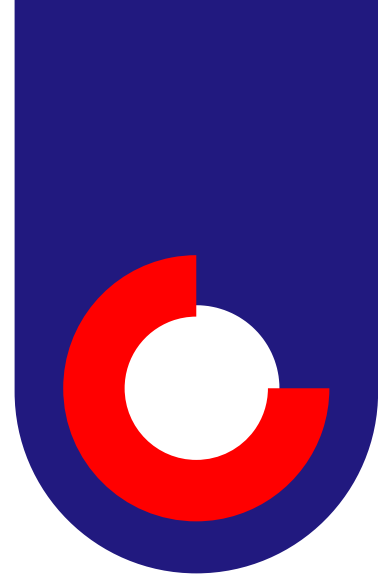
Above are the options for you if you would like to support student visa for your children. For other courses you may support visitor visa application for your dependent children.

## **Pathway to Permanent Residence in New Zealand**

Once you have completed your study in New Zealand, most of you might be looking to settle in this country. And completing your study in New Zealand is the very first step. In New Zealand, the pathway to residency starts after the completion of your qualification. Applicants who want to apply for residency in New Zealand, need to gather 6 points in order to qualify for the New Zealand permanent resident. There are many pathways to qualify but one of the ways is through the Skilled Migrant Category visa for which you need to score some 6 points.

# Apply through LIA

A LIA licensed immigration adviser has compiled the information for New Zealand work and settlement options after study in New Zealand.



New Zealand partner visa aspirants must note that they can only apply for the New Zealand partner visa under a LIA licensed immigration adviser. The Director at West Highlander, Ms. Parwinder Kaur is an LIA licensed immigration adviser, and she is authorized to assist you with the New Zealand spouse visa, New Zealand study visa or any other New Zealand visas. We are eligible and authorized to give you services for New Zealand spouse visa.



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