



Study Social Work 2022

Be transformed into a relational and skilled social worker who makes a difference in the lives of individuals, whānau and communities

Our Social Work programme allows you to learn to serve others through both heart and mind, and make a difference in the lives of those in your community.

BTI's team of educators teach an integrated programme with Christian worldview, biblical principles, bicultural competencies and professional standards, based on professional experience in the field and diverse perspectives.

Our courses emphasise that professional practice comes out of who you are as a person. We therefore focus on providing the opportunity for you to further develop your knowledge, awareness and skills, and to understand the influence of your history, whakapapa and socio-cultural context on professional practice.

Our programme has a strong workintegrated learning component to complement the learning undertaken in the classroom or online.

Several courses are shared with the BTI Counselling programme so that students also have the opportunity to participate in a diverse learning community.

The wisdom and knowledge of both tangata whenua (people of the land) and tangata tiriti (people of the treaty) are woven throughout the curriculum to enrich your learning.

The Bachelor of Social Work leads to professional registration with the Social Workers Registration Board (SWRB) and equips students for a wide range of social work roles both in Aotearoa New Zealand or in international aid and development.



"BTI helped create an open space to question, uncover and strengthen my motivations and vision around becoming a social worker. Over the four years, I was constantly encouraged to keep coming back to those foundational elements of knowing who I am, as a wahine Māori Christian, and who I am becoming as a person and as a practitioner."

Cara-Lee Kerewaro (Ngāti Kahu),
graduate of the Bachelor of Social Work

Why study Social Work at BTI?

- · Small teaching groups and relational learning.
- Professional practice experience throughout your study.
- Over 80% of graduates find employment in the profession.
- Commitment to bicultural practice and Te Tiriti o Waitangi relationships.
- A relational and transformative approach to teaching and learning.
- · A Christian worldview.
- Very experienced staff who have worked in their field and now share their wisdom and passion with students.
- Flexible study distance study options as well as part-time or full-time options.

What's involved?

You can study social work with BTI either onsite in Tauranga or from anywhere in New Zealand by distance learning. All students attend block courses on campus during March and August.

Full-time study requires a commitment of 32–40 hours each week for both onsite and distance students. This is broken down to 8–10 hours per 15 credit course.

What do I need to apply?

- Demonstrate your professional suitability for the profession of Social Work.
- University Entrance (ACE Year 13 certificate.)
 - Under 20 years of age must have passed University Entrance OR if home schooled must prove comparability to University Entrance.
- Police clearance to work with vulnerable children.
- Students must successfully participate and complete an individual interview before being accepted into the programme.













How do I apply?

Application process for Bachelor of Social Work degree

You submit an application online



You are notified that your application has been received and referee(s) are emailed by the administrator requesting a reference form to be completed.

Administrator contacts you to arrange an interview – Administrator arranges interview between yourself and the interviewer(s)





Administrator receives outcome of interview

If successful: You are offered place of studentship





You accept studentship

Administrator hands over application to the programme administrator to start enrolment process



You must supply all necessary documentation required by BTI before your application can be completed.



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Why BTI?

Our mission is to provide Christ-centred, biblically informed professional preparation, development and research for influential service.

We support people to grow holistically and academically.

Given NZQA's highest rating, our programmes are highly effective and shaped by stakeholder feedback.



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