



Agricultural Training for New Zealand

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Taster Courses

Thank you for your interest in our Taster Courses. An application form is attached. Many of our full-time students say the Tasters are an ideal way to experience what it's like to live and learn at Taratahi.

Agricultural Taster – 5 times a year

Agriculture is a diverse industry and farmers need to be skilled in a wide variety of tasks. Our Taster courses are designed to give you a brief experience of some of those skills; so you will be trying things like milking cows, riding ATVs, loading trailers, using a tractor, handling livestock and doing some theory work. Our Taster courses are also a great way to discover more about our full-time agriculture courses. We have campuses in Wairarapa, Taranaki and Hawke's Bay so you will learn more about what options are available to you.

Equine Taster – 2 times a year

If you are interested in pursuing a career in equine our four day Equine Taster may suit you. You will spend a significant amount of time at Panorama Equestrian learning a number of basic skills and exploring the facilities plus spend time learning some agricultural skills such as ATVs and fencing which are also part of the full time course. Please note that you must have a genuine interest in pursuing a career in equine as Taster places are very limited.

Campus tour for parents/guardians

On the Thursday of Taster week at 11am Taratahi will be holding a campus tour for interested parents/guardians and friends of our Taster students. This tour will last until approximately 12.15pm when our Taster students will be finished their course and ready to head off home. Please note that this tour does not include lunch. If you are keen to do the tour please tick the YES box on the Confirmation of Travel Details form.

General Information

During your four day stay with us you will be offered a single room in our campus accommodation. Our campus offers the opportunity for living as part of a student community and for establishing friendships with others who may have similar interests and backgrounds. The agriculture and equine Tasters run alongside each other in both October and November in 2011 and July and October in 2012 so you will have a chance to interact with a number of students who are interested in various Taratahi courses. You will also enjoy wholesome meals in our dining room which will cater to all hearty appetites. We can also cater for some specific dietary requirements if required.

Fees for this course are \$100.00 per person (non-refundable) – this includes all meals and accommodation.

To enrol you must:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Complete the attached enrolment form, ensuring you specify which course you are enrolling in (either Equestrian or Agriculture) and what date
- **Include your payment of \$100.00 for course fees (non-refundable)**
- Organise transport to and from Taratahi and advise us of these details – Please note that original transport confirmation cannot be changed unless a parent or guardian have contacted us at Taratahi to confirm.

We require all of this information to be able to process your enrolment. Once all the information has been received we will get back in touch with you to confirm your acceptance. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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