

**THE NEW ZEALAND HONEY AND BEEKEEPING INDUSTRY OFFERS DIVERSE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES. TARATAHI IS LEADING THE WAY IN TRAINING STUDENTS TO REACH THEIR POTENTIAL IN THIS VIBRANT AND GROWING INDUSTRY.**

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## **ENROL NOW**

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### **PROGRAMME COSTS**

Programme fee: \$1248.48. Payment options are available. Contact us for more details. (Note: there is a Compulsory Student Services Fee that will be charged in addition to the programme fee).

Fees include DECA exam fee, the cost of one hive kit and three textbooks.

### **OTHER PROGRAMME COSTS**

Compulsory Student Services Fee: \$130.00.

In addition, you will need to purchase: smoker, hive tool, live bees, bee suit and gloves.

Prior to purchasing your equipment, please speak with your tutor to discuss cost-effective suppliers.

### **STUDENT LOANS**

Students can apply for approved student loans through Studylink.

To find out more about eligibility visit:  
**www.studylink.govt.nz** or phone: **0800 889900**.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicant must be 16 years or over
- Any allergy medication must be on the person at all times
- Applicant must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- Applicant must have a reasonable level of fitness required to carry out the activities of a beekeeper

### **THIS PROGRAMME IS IDEAL FOR:**

- existing beekeepers wishing to obtain a qualification
- those wanting to take up 'backyard' beekeeping
- employment seekers with no previous experience wishing to obtain entry level skills to help obtain a junior position in the beekeeping industry



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**New Zealand Certificate in Apiculture.**

**LEVEL 03** ●●●○○

Part Time

Successfully training students for agricultural careers since 1919.





14,885 TONNES  
OF NZ HONEY WAS  
PRODUCED IN 2017

# NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN APICULTURE

Apiculture (Level 3) is designed for people working, considering working in the beekeeping industry, those already in the industry who need formal qualifications to progress in their career or to help you develop the skills and knowledge to establish and maintain your first backyard beehive.

This qualification recognises the skills required to work in an apiary and the honey house. Apiculture is an industry that has seen huge growth and now needs skilled and qualified workers.



#### **Location.**

Northland, Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Taranaki, Hawke's Bay, Manawatu, Wairarapa, Wellington, Nelson/Marlborough, Canterbury, Central Otago, Dunedin and Southland.



#### **Dates.**

Starts Winter/Spring each year



#### **Duration.**

36 weeks. Delivered in 15 seasonally based weekend work-shops, plus AFB Disease Recognition workshop

## WELCOME TO TARATAHI

Taratahi Institute of Agriculture has been successfully preparing students for careers in the primary industries since 1919. Using the skills and knowledge gained at Taratahi, our graduates have the opportunity to move into rich and rewarding careers within the primary industries.

## APICULTURE IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand made honey is in great demand internationally, and is viewed as a high quality niche product. Consequently, the apiculture industry in New Zealand is growing, with abundant career prospects for qualified workers.

## HOW IS THE PROGRAMME DELIVERED?

- Part-time study
- 15 weekend workshops (held each fortnight during beekeeping season)
- Plus AFB Disease Recognition workshop
- Covering entire bee season
- Small classes, lots of one-to-one practical tuition

## WHAT DOES THE PROGRAMME COVER?

Apiculture (Level 3) follows the seasonal calendar of the industry and covers:

- Bees and their habitat
- Bee manipulation
- Requeening
- Honey flow
- Bee and hive health
- Bee feeding

The programme will cover the knowledge and practice to manage a beehive of your own which includes:

- knowledge of the seasonal cycle and habits of bees
- Good bee-handling skills so you know when and how to approach bees
- Knowledge of plant types and life cycles, and how and when plants produce nectar
- Methods of disease control
- Knowledge of how to extract and assess the quality of bee products
- Carpentry skills for building and repairing hive boxes

