



Introducing our International Admissions Team

The International Admissions CSRs (Customer Services Representatives) handle applications from students from the first point of enquiry, through to arrival and enrolment. Each member of the International Admissions Team has their own 'case load' of applications, based around subject areas, so are able to provide excellent service and support at all stages of the admission process. Even though each team member has their own area of expertise, all can give detailed information, advice and course counselling.



Jo Eccersall – International & Enrolment Support Team Leader

Jo comes from an international teaching and student support background and has been at CPIT for almost two years. Her experience teaching overseas and in New Zealand has given her an excellent insight into working with different cultures, and into the inner workings of International Education. Jo's role is to oversee the day-to-day running of the International Admissions and Enrolment Support Team.



Audrey Voon, International Customer Service Representative

Audrey Voon is from Malaysia and speaks several languages including Malay, Cantonese and Chinese. Audrey's previous experience as a Banker and Flight Attendant in Asia has given her the exposure and flexibility to deal effectively with people from different backgrounds and cultures. Audrey enjoys the variety of work and people that she meets as part of her role at CPIT. Audrey's team workload includes managing all applications for the Faculty of Commerce.



Ireana Chong, International Customer Service Representative

Ireana Chong is from Malaysia and has been with the International Admissions team since 2006. Ireana enjoys the variety and fresh challenges that each day in this role brings. Her personal experience as an International student in New Zealand has helped her to understand the excitement and challenges that students face settling in a new country. Ireana's responsibilities in the International Admissions team include managing the Health, Humanities and Science based applications, as well as 'English Plus' applications.



Andy Ge, International Customer Service Representative

Andy is originally from China and was an International student himself at CPIT, studying the Bachelor of Business Innovation and Enterprise (BBIE) degree. Since June 2007, Andy has been working at CPIT, starting as a domestic enrolment support team member and has been in the International Admissions role since April 2008. Andy's workload in the International Admissions team includes managing English and Design & Engineering applications. Andy enjoys meeting students from all over the world and his experience as a CPIT student is an asset to the team!



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Thai Dinner



Krit & Lesley

In May, the CPIT International Team held a dinner for CPIT's Thai English Language students at Kanniga's Thai Restaurant. This was a chance for our Thai students to socialise and get to know their peers as well as an opportunity for the international team to welcome them to CPIT and Christchurch.

We received fantastic feedback from the students that attended and it was an evening enjoyed by all.



Top: Jay, Lyn & Jessada
Middle: Bright, Annie & Min
Left: Annie & Jessada

New Refund Policy for 2009

As from 1 January 2009 a new refund policy for Full Fee Paying International Students will be in place. The policy will be based on a student's "Path of Study". The definition of Path of Study (for International students) is: **Path/Course of Study** is defined as the total length of each programme which the student has chose to study as detailed in the Statement of Fees and accepted by payment and enrolment.

The formula for calculating a refund is as follows:

<i>Refund Policy</i>	<i>Tuition Fee</i>	<i>Registration Fee</i>	<i>Homestay Placement Fee</i>
Withdrawing <i>14 calendar days or more</i> prior to commencement of the programme start date.	20% of tuition fee plus NZ\$500 administration fee will be deducted.	No refund	Full refund
Withdrawing Less than 14 calendar days prior to commencement of the programme start date.	20% of tuition fee plus NZ\$500 administration fee will be deducted.	No refund	No refund
Withdrawing Within the first seven calendar days of study	20% of tuition fee plus NZ\$500 administration fee will be deducted.	No refund	No refund
Withdrawing After 7 calendar days of study	No refund	No refund	No refund

For the new CPIT Application form please visit our website:

http://www.cpit.ac.nz/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/15878/International_Application_form.pdf

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Reminder - September intake for ICT Programmes

Our School of Computing is introducing a September intake for the following programmes:

- **Diploma in Information & Communication Technologies (ICT) level 6, 2 years. Starting 28 September 2008.**
- **Graduate Diploma in ICT level 7, 1 year, starting 13 October 2008.**

Please forward applications to International Admissions intladmissions@cpit.ac.nz .

Keith Baronian – Dean of Research Gains FRST Grant



Keith Baronian, our Dean of Research, is part of a research group that has been successful in gaining a substantial FRST (Foundation for Research Science & Technology) grant.

\$5.2 million funding will see a six year research programme investigate processes that transfer electrons across cell membranes, and how these may be exploited for use in biological fuel cells and biosensing. The first application is the development of fuel cells that use microorganisms to generate electricity from wastewater (eg sewage) and at the same time 'clean' the wastewater for disposal into the environment.

The research team comprises Lincoln Ventures (a subsidiary of Lincoln University), CPIT, University of Auckland, Cawthron Institute, Lund University in Sweden and IPK a research institute in Germany.

Food & Hospitality Excellence Award for 2008

The HIS Excellence in Training – Workplace Partnerships was presented to Head of School, Karen Te Puke at the annual HIS Conference and Awards Dinner in Wellington in early July.

This award acknowledges the very strong ties and working relationship with our industry partners and is a reflection of the consistently great work by all areas of the school.

Our bar tutor, Cheryl Stokes was acknowledged as a finalist for the HIS Excellence in Training - Hospitality Tutor of the Year.

The staff and school repeatedly gain acknowledgements from the annual HSI Excellence Awards – this year being the third Excellence Award since 2003.

Internship Leads to Job offer

After completing an internship with Tait Electronics, Mexican graduate Javier Balcazar has been offered a full time job at Tait's in their marketing section.



Javier studied a Diploma in Marketing and the Bachelor of Business Innovation and Enterprise at CPIT.

Javier says "studying at CPIT was a great option because there is a wide variety of cultures and it is a good environment. You study in small classes; this has an advantage for the student because you can learn faster as there is a lot of communication between the teacher and the class. The teachers are willing to help any time. I learnt a lot during my studies because the teachers used real examples. Christchurch is one of the best cities in New Zealand because there is everything you need to have a good time."

New Custom House Online Payment System

Have you tried our new online Custom House payment option? Custom House is a safe and fast payment method that enables CPIT to quickly identify your payment so an Offer of Place can be issued in a timely manner for student visa purposes.

Custom House is simple and easy to use, and provides you with the option to pay in your local currency or in various major currencies, as well as enabling you to track the payment progress on the website.

For more information please visit our website: http://www.cpit.ac.nz/international/international_course_dates_and_fees

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