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New Home for International Team

We have moved to a new home located in A121 (main atrium block off Madras Street). Our new location provides an integrated service to our international students. Student welfare services are now located within the International office. **Our new Fax number is +64 3 940 8674.**



Our International Team (From left to right): Margaret Pierson, Jennifer Rose, Tim Hayashi, Lyn Crossan, Beth Knowles, Lesley Allan and Annie Goh.

CHRISTCHURCH – A Great Place to Study!

Please visit www.christchurchnz.com for the latest news about Christchurch.



Indian Lunch

In early March, the CPIT International Team held a lunch to welcome all new Indian students to CPIT and Christchurch. Indian food was provided and special guests joined us to talk about studying and living in New Zealand.

Mr Natu Rama from the Indian Cultural Society provided some words of wisdom, advising the students on expectations and adjusting to life in New Zealand. Some students from the previous year and one of our own tutors, Amit Sarkar, also shared their experiences and valuable advice on managing the challenges of life in a foreign country and becoming a successful student.

The lunch was a great success and we look forward to hosting more of these events for our students in the future.



Teaching Road Safety in New Zealand



Students got to see for themselves how far a car will travel before it stops after the driver brakes in a spectacular speed and stopping demonstration held at CPIT on the 19 February to encourage drivers to slow down and learn about the effect of speeding. This demonstration was run by the New Zealand Police, New Zealand Fire Service, St John Ambulance and The Edge 89 FM Radio Station.



Students also got to enjoy a sausage sizzle and the opportunity to enter competitions and win prizes.



Education Christchurch & Canterbury conducted some research last year to gather information that would assist institutions in the international education industry provide resources that would reach and have a positive impact on international student road safety. The findings in this research report show the most commonly held perception regarding driving in New Zealand prior to arrival in New Zealand was, it would be easier than driving in their home country. However their actual experience was quite different. At CPIT we hope that demonstrations like the one held at the beginning of this semester will help our students stay safe on the roads.

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SCHOOL OF ENGLISH

Introducing New Head of School



We are delighted to announce that Mark Hornby has been appointed as our new Head of School, School of Humanities. Mark began work at CPIT in 1994 after extensive experience in English Language Teaching & Training, Adult Education, International Languages, Literacy & Numeracy, Communications and Community Studies. Mark was formerly Programme Leader for Adult Education at CPIT. This is a terrific opportunity to bring together areas of teaching and teacher training which have much in common. Mark is "looking forward to developing the school and maintaining the reputation CPIT enjoys for high quality teaching and learning".

Cambridge Business English – Apply Now!

English for your Future

Business English Certificate (BEC) for the world of work. The University of Cambridge BEC is an ideal English language examination for students who are preparing for a career in business. This internationally recognised qualification shows employers the student's skills for using English in the workplace.

More than ever, a good knowledge of English is needed to succeed in international business and commerce. Those who can show they have relevant language skills, have a great advantage in the job market and much greater flexibility for working abroad.

Our next BEC examination preparation course starts on **Monday 25 August** and finishes on 14 November. Students may sit the examination on 15 November. There are still a few places available and applications should be sent as soon as possible. Cambridge English Language qualifications are internationally recognised and offered at different levels.

Cambridge PET and FCE examination preparation courses start on 15 September so apply for your students now as these courses are very popular.

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.
- Graduate Diploma in ICT level 7, 1 year.

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

CPIT Tutor First Overseas Recipient of US Award



CPIT tutor Alison Reynolds has won the Jay. R. Gould award for excellence in teaching technical communication from the US based society for Technical Communication. Please visit the following link for the full article:

http://www.cpit.ac.nz/news/items/pioneering_tutor_first_overseas_recipient_of_us_award

For more information about the Graduate Diploma of Information Design Programme (GDID) please visit www.cpit.ac.nz/courses/programme_detail?a=12352. Please note the programme requires an IELTS 8.0 Academic for entry. This is an online delivery programme and is a great stepping stone towards a career as a technical writer.

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