

This programme provides you with an understanding of how to manage pastoral farming situations in an environmentally sustainable way so that future generations will also benefit from your care of the soil and livestock.

## Who is this Course For?

- Farmers
- Lifestyle block owners
- Those considering a career in farming in an environmentally sustainable way will find this new programme of interest to them.

## What will you Learn?

Soil, pasture and livestock management will be studied to help increase productivity without causing lasting damage to our environment

### Topics covered include:

- The soil food web
- Soil management
- Soil fertility
- Pasture species and herbal leys
- Weed management with minimal chemical inputs
- Analysing feed quantity and quality
- Feeding of livestock for better health and production
- Maintaining livestock health through herbal and mineral supplements
- Sustainable management of internal parasites in sheep and cattle

*Networking between like minded farmers who are enthusiastic about sustainable farming is an added bonus to joining this course.*

\* As numbers are limited, an early expression of interest is advised.

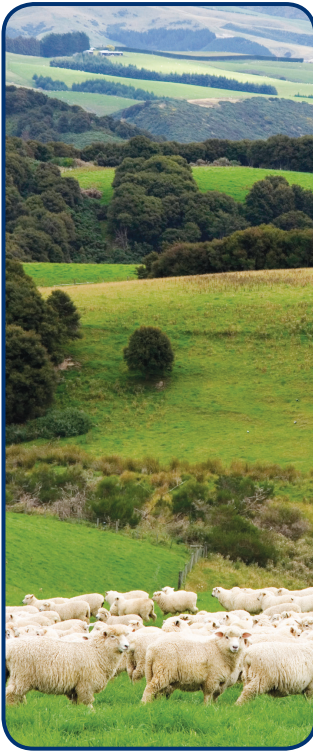


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## **Course Structure & Programme Delivery**

The course typically runs over eight months with students attending weekly tutorials, workshops or fieldtrips either daytime (during school hours) OR evenings and weekends.

In addition to attending a weekly tutorial and three weekend workshops or fieldtrips, students will need to complete theory assignments in their own time.

Our tutors facilitate excellent learning opportunities using a variety of techniques including interactive and stimulating tutorials, group discussion, practical activities and case studies from real-life situations.

## **Location**

This programme is currently being offered in a number of North Island locations including Taranaki, Wanganui and Bay of Plenty and may be offered in other locations if sufficient interest is shown.

## **Qualifications & Further Opportunities**

Aoraki Certificate in Animal and Plant Care (Level 2).

## **Fees and Enrolment Information**

This course is approved for New Zealand Domestic Students, and is delivered in partnership with Aoraki Polytechnic. Contact us for details regarding eligibility to enrol, and for course fees in your area.

## **About Agriculture New Zealand**

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Each year our skilled and qualified staff provide training to over 3000 students throughout New Zealand. Much of the training is delivered in partnership with Telford (a division of Lincoln University), Aoraki Polytechnic and the Western Institute of Technology Taranaki (WITT). We are recognised as a specialist provider of Organic Horticulture, provide training to Landcorp staff throughout New Zealand and deliver the formal training programme on Smedley Station – a long established training farm in the Hawkes Bay.

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