Welcome to the Employability Plus Programme (EPP)

This is your opportunity to work with the University of Waikato to develop strong and well-rounded leaders for the future.

The Employability Plus Programme (EPP) is about getting University of Waikato students involved in community and industry initiatives primarily within the purpose (not-for-profit) sector.

At its core, EPP is a volunteer programme. It’s about providing EPP partners with the volunteers they need, while recognising those students for the career and life skills they gain from the experience.

Benefits of EPP

- Access to a large, skilled group of student volunteers
- Opportunity to integrate fresh and bright minds into the planning and implementation of your organisation’s projects, tasks and duties
- Recognition through marketing and media activity for being part of a programme that enhances students’ learning, personal development and employability

Become an EPP partner

- As a purpose (not-for-profit) organisation, we welcome you to apply to become a University of Waikato Employability Plus Programme partner.
- EPP is committed to best practice in volunteer management to ensure that our students are in safe hands. To become an EPP partner we require you to have a volunteer management programme, including health and safety documentation.
- Contact us to register your organisation’s interest and we’ll arrange a meeting to discuss the next steps.

Contact us

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How does EPP work?

The four components of EPP are personal development, volunteering, university contribution and Work Integrated Learning. As an EPP partner, your involvement sits within the volunteering component.

| Personal Development | • Students complete modules such as first aid training, leadership, budgeting and professionalism.  
• The number of modules completed determines the level of achievement students receive, ie 4 modules = achieved, 6 = merit, 8 = distinction. |
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| Volunteering         | • Students participate in volunteer initiatives such as physical labour, administration and project work.  
• The number of volunteer hours completed determines the level of achievement, ie 30 hours = achieved, 40 = merit, 50 = distinction. |
| University Contribution | • Students will participate in University-led initiatives such as student representation, research programmes, clubs and societies.  
• The number of completed activities determines the level of achievement, ie 2 activities = achieved, 3 = merit, 4 = distinction. |
| Work Integrated Learning | • Students will complete a work internship as part of their academic curriculum in their final years of study.  
• This component comes into affect in 2018 as part of the University’s new curriculum programme. |

EPP will launch in February 2017. Volunteer roles will be advertised on our Career Development Services site and students will be encouraged to apply for roles that match their skill-set.

We are proud to be working with Volunteering Waikato and Volunteering Bay of Plenty on EPP.
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