

New Zealand Qualifications Authority

Guidelines for the Course Endorsement 2011 Christchurch Earthquake Exemption

Students who were enrolled at Christchurch schools affected by the earthquake on 22 February 2011 and students who may have transferred to or from Christchurch schools between 22 February and 1 September 2011 are eligible.

Eligible candidates will still require 14 credits at Merit and/or Excellence for course endorsement but are exempt the requirement that three credits be achieved from internal assessment and three credits be achieved from external assessment.

Christchurch students will automatically be granted the exemption, as will students who have moved to Christchurch before 1 September and are currently enrolled in an earthquake-affected school, on the basis that the teaching/learning environment has continued to be significantly disrupted. The standard endorsement criteria are applied first, and if endorsement does not result, the Exemption criteria are then applied.

Students who were at the following schools on 22 February and who have moved out of Christchurch after the 22 February earthquake are eligible to apply for the **Course Endorsement 2011 Christchurch Earthquake Exemption** provided their application is supported by their new school.

Earthquake Affected Schools

- Akaroa Area School
- Aranui High School
- Avonside Girls' High School
- Burnside High School
- Canterbury International College
- Cashmere High School
- Catholic Cathedral College
- Christchurch Adventist School
- Christchurch Boys' High School
- Christchurch Girls' High School
- Christchurch International College
- Christ's College
- Darfield High School
- Ellesmere College
- Hagley Community College
- Halswell Residential College
- Hillmorton High School
- Hornby High School
- Kaiapoi High School
- Kingslea School (Christchurch)
- Lincoln High School
- Linwood College
- Mairehau High School
- Marian College
- Middleton Grange School
- Oxford Area School
- Papanui High School
- Rangi Ruru Girls' School
- Rangiora High School
- Rangiora New Life School
- Riccarton High School
- Rudolf Steiner School
- Shirley Boys' High School
- Southern Regional Health School
- St Andrew's College
- St Bede's College
- St Margaret's College
- St Thomas of Canterbury College
- Te Kura Whakapumau I Te Reo
Tuuturu Ki Waitaha
- Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti
- Van Asch Deaf Education Centre
- Villa Maria College
- Westmount Christchurch Campus

Procedure for schools with students who have transferred from Christchurch

1. Identify likely applicants and distribute application forms. Applicants fill in a brief outline of their circumstances to explain why they might be eligible for the exemption.
2. Collect completed applications from the candidates by Wednesday 30 November, 2011.
3. PN or Principal to complete the form with the current school's supporting statement.
4. Mail the form or scan and attach it to an email to the relevant address supplied on the form, to reach NZQA **before 7 December 2011**.