

Lincoln University (ニュージーランド)

Kate: Hi! I'm Kate from New Zealand. Today I'll be showing you around the Lincoln University campus.

Lincoln University is in the central part of the South Island of New Zealand. It's about a 20-minute drive away from Christchurch. Lincoln is a specialist land-based university. It attracts approximately 3,000 students per year from more than 80 countries. It is ranked in the top 400 in the QS world ranking. Lincoln is New Zealand's smallest university and has the best staff-to-student ratio.

This is one of the oldest buildings on campus. It was built in 1878. Today we use it as our library. Let's go inside!

This is where students come to study, get academic support, or career advice.

Lincoln University has three faculties. Agriculture and Life Sciences, Agribusiness and Commerce, and Environment, Society, and Design, as well as the University Studies and English Language Division. Lincoln teaches courses in agriculture, business, environmental studies, tourism, food science, viticulture (which is wine-making), sports management, and so much more. There's a lot to learn!

This is our Commerce Building, where our Agribusiness and Commerce faculty is located. We teach many of our lectures here. Let's go inside!

The faculty has many resources and facilities for students to learn about business. For example, students have access to a replica of the software used in the stock exchange.

Now, let's look at the on-campus student accommodation.

About 600 students live on campus. Many of the students live in our halls of residence. There are seven halls of residence, as well as small houses on campus where students can rent a room.

Kate: Hi, Cam.

Cameron: Hi, Kate.

Kate: How do you like living on campus?

Cameron It's really great. Everything's very close. The lecture hall's a five minutes' walk away. It's great to meet new people and share living spaces with them. And it's awesome because there's a lot of different people from different backgrounds.

Kate: And what do you do in your spare time?

Cameron: In my spare time, I like to go skiing in the mountains, hang out with my friends, and go into the city to watch movies or buy food or just hang out in the city.

Kate: Students have free access to the on-campus gym. Let's go have a look!

The gym includes a large fitness studio, bouldering wall, and yoga studio. There are also group fitness classes you can join. Many of our rugby club students have gone on to play in the national team, the All Blacks.

The campus also includes a great space for students to spend time between classes. There's everything you'll need, and because Lincoln is a small university, you are always meeting people you know.

The university campus where the buildings are located is a vast 58 hectares surrounded by farmland. Many of the farms around the campus are owned by the university and are where we conduct agricultural research. Studying in a classroom is important, but there are many things you can learn by getting hands-on experience on the farm.

Dr. Maxwell: I teach plant sciences, ecology, and sustainability of food systems. My teaching focuses on how plants grow, and how we can use plants in a food production system here in New Zealand. We reduce the negative environmental impacts of agriculture by best management that brings in ecology, matching the ecology of the system to the food system. The ice cream that you might buy down the street comes from a farm—a farm that either has a negative environmental footprint or a positive environmental footprint. We try to teach that here at Lincoln University: reducing negative environmental impact for agriculture.

Kate: The small size of Lincoln University means that the students and staff get to know each other very well. You'll have the opportunity to ask your professors any questions. I hope you've enjoyed your tour of Lincoln University today. Come and study with us. We look forward to welcoming you.