



TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY

PROSPECTUS 2018

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ABOUT TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY

Transformation Academy aims to equip and empower people. Transformation Academy provides vocational and life skills to equip youth to transform society using their gifts, talents and abilities.

Transformation Academy is a Private Training Establishment. The staff have an extensive range of experience in education and bring specific expertise to the training and education that the Academy offers.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to offer young people interest based teaching and learning that enables them to transform their lives and those around them.

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OUR GOALS

- To have a lasting transformational effect on individuals that enables them to transform society through excellence in their respective skill areas.
- To provide programmes for young people who, for whatever reason, mainstream schooling and/or alternative education has failed them.
- To provide practical learning to hold the learner's interest and restore their faith in their ability to learn.
- To create a culture of Whanau Ora where young people can be encouraged to move toward academic excellence.
- To create a culture where young people attracted to the Transformation Academy experience good role models and mentoring.
- To instil a culture of vocation, purpose and self-worth by encouraging the use of skills that are unique to the student.

WHO IS TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY FOR?

- 16-19 year olds who are at risk of or who have dropped out of school.
- Exceptions may be made for 15 year olds
- School leavers.
- Those in the target age group who are likely to come from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Those who for whatever reason, mainstream schooling has failed.
- Young unskilled unemployed.





MEET MAC

Mac Andrae is happily married to Lana and they have five kids, Reuben, Israel, Darlene, Malakai and Aria. A young Samoan man who grew up in the low decile community of Maraenui, Napier, Mac beat the odds of his demographic and geographic community, by completing high school successfully and then graduating from Victoria University Twice (in Law and Accounting). Not only does he bring with him strong business acumen, he also has a long and successful history establishing, managing and delivering health, education, social and cultural wellbeing services.

Mac Andrae was appointed CEO of Transformation Academy by the Trust Board. The Trust Board also appointed a Management Committee to work alongside him to establish the Transformation Academy. This Management Committee includes psychological professionals, performers, education experts and social workers who are committed to Transforming Lives for the better.

Transformation is embedded within the ability to contribute to not only faith-based wellbeing, but broader individual, whanau and community wellbeing. Wellbeing for us is associated with concepts such as person and whanau-centred leadership, systems change, strengths-based practices, resilience, life and educational skills, employment readiness and brokering, social enterprise and fostering stronger cultural identity and self-esteem. These are core 'elements' for our proposed new initiative.



NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN FOUNDATION SKILLS (LEVEL 1)

This programme has a minimum of 60 credits and is delivered over a 22 week semester, twice per year, and includes a two week mid-semester break.

It is a full-time programme (Monday - Friday), consisting of five hours classroom learning days combined with one hour of self-directed learning.

We offer students the opportunity to utilize their creative abilities and provide a performance platform to showcase their skills.

This qualification will give students confidence to be able to use the skills in this course to either go on to further learning or find a job that is suitable for them. Students will be able to gain the necessary literacy and numeracy unit standards in order to gain NCEA Level 1.



UNIT STANDARDS COVERED

| UNIT STANDARD | TITLE |
|---------------|--|
| 7121 | Demonstrate skills to search, access and select information |
| 496 | Manage personal wellbeing |
| 29583 | Explain hauora and influences on hauora, and examine ways for improving hauora |
| 12355 | Describe stress and ways of dealing with it |
| 12348 | Demonstrate knowledge of anger and options for dealing with anger issues |
| 12349 | Demonstrate knowledge of time management |
| 543 | Work in a new workplace |
| 1285 | Make enquiries and complete practical transactions |
| 3503 | Participate and communicate in a team or group to complete a routine task |
| 1293 | Be interviewed in an informal, one to one, face to face interview |
| 504 | Produce a CV (curriculum vitae) |

| UNIT STANDARD | TITLE |
|---------------|---|
| 10781 | Produce a plan for own future directions |
| 101 | Develop and use keyboarding skills to enter text |
| 26622 | Write to communicate ideas for a purpose and audience |
| 26623 | Use number to solve problems |
| 26624 | Read texts with understanding |
| 26625 | Actively participate in spoken interactions |
| 26626 | Interpret statistical information for a purpose |
| 26627 | Use measurement to solve problems |
| 3483 | Fill in a form |
| 17162 | Draw a conclusion after an investigation into an aspect of Pacific Indigenous knowledge, with direction |
| 24709 | Produce a budget to manage personal finances |



ENTRY CRITERIA

This Certificate in Foundation Studies (Level 1) is open to all domestic students aged between 16 and 19 who would like a further opportunity at gaining a recognised qualification.

Exceptions may be made for 15 year olds who are able to be considered on a case by case basis.

SELECTION PROCESS

All prospective learners will be interviewed so that they are sure this is the particular course in which they wish to enrol and to identify any special needs.

Selections will be made on the basis of meeting the programme entry criteria, subject to available spaces on the course.

Successful applicants will receive a "Letter of Offer" and those unsuccessful applicants will be given the reason/s why their application was declined.

ENROLMENT

Applicants must bring in a completed enrolment form along with a legally certified form of identification. Transformation Academy staff are available to assist applicants when filling in their form if required.

Once it is confirmed that the applicant meets the requirements for the NZ Certificate in Foundation Skills, Transformation Academy will send a letter of offer of study to the applicant. When this document is signed and returned, the learner is deemed to be enrolled for the programme and has entered into a contract for education provided by Transformation Academy.

ORIENTATION

An orientation programme will occur on day one of the course. The orientation will include introductions to tutors and other learners as well as an overview of the academy facilities and specific course requirements.

ATTENDANCE

Students are required to attend all classes from the start date of their programme.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING/ CURRENT COMPETENCE

Transformation Academy Trust acknowledges and supports the right of potential learners to gain credit for existing skills and knowledge through the process of recognition of prior learning/current competence.

Where individuals indicate that they wish to have existing skills and knowledge recognised, or where tutors identify learners who may have existing skills and knowledge, a process of assessment of this prior learning will be used. Credit will be allocated to those who meet the assessment requirements.

Please see the Lead Tutor, if you would like more information about Recognition of Prior Learning.

CREDIT TRANSFER

Applicants who can show that their NZQA Record of Learning lists achievement of a unit standard/s that is a component in a programme, will be given credit and will be exempted the unit or units they have achieved.

Please see the Lead Tutor, if you would like more information about Credit Transfer.

FEES

Transformation Academy offers a fees-free training package for the New Zealand Certificate of Foundation Skills Level 1 course through its relationships with other community and government organisations. Students do not have to pay fees.

FACILITIES AND RESOURCES

Transformation Academy's campus is at 48 Esmonde Road, Takapuna.

The campus is located in a peaceful but dynamic part of Auckland with plenty of open space around the leafy green suburb. It is just a ten minute walk from the Akoranga bus station, providing easy access to Auckland's main city centre, and many of New Zealand's many rural attractions.

The current facilities include a classroom with kitchen and toilet facilities.

The management team is always reviewing the facilities to ensure they support quality teaching and learning.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Our support team strives to provide a variety of services for students, e.g. banking, accommodation arrangement, job searching etc.

Our bilingual staff are very friendly and supportive and will be available during office hours for learner's guidance and support. If appropriate, staff may be available to learners outside these hours. This is of particular benefit where learners are engaged in self-directed learning.



Learners are encouraged to talk to their tutor to discuss any problems which they may have. Staff will guarantee learner confidentiality. Learners are informed of the support and guidance available at the commencement of each course. The limitations on support and guidance undertaken internally are determined by the MTT and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The Lead Tutor can be contacted on:

Ph: 09 930 8756

Typical non educational community support and guidance available:

- **Citizens Advice Bureau**
Ph: 0800 367 222
- **NZ Income Support Services**
450 Queen Street
Ph: 09 367 6310
- **Health Line**
Ph: 0800 611 116

(a nurse will provide you with advice and direct you to your nearest medical service if required)

- **White Cross Accident and Medical**
0800 611 111
- **Mental Health Crisis**
Ph: 0800 800 717
- **Lifeline**
Ph: 09 522 2999 or 0800 543 354
- **Youth line**
Ph: 09 376 6633 or 0800 37 66 33
- **Chinese Life Line**
Ph: 09 522 2088 or 0800 888 880
- **NZ Employment Service**
326 Karangahape Rd
Ph: 09 309 3318
- **NZQA** (certificates, learner disputes etc.)
P O Box 160 Wellington.
Ph: 0800 QAHELP



OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

LINKS

Citizens Advice Bureau

www.cab.org.nz/Pages/home.aspx

Auckland Public Transport

<https://at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry>

Recreation and Leisure in Auckland

www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/EN/parksfacilities/Pages/Home.aspx

HOW TO ADDRESS HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION

The Human Rights Act protects people in New Zealand from unlawful discrimination. The Act also prohibits other behaviour against the law, including sexual harassment, racial harassment, causing racial disharmony and victimization.

Under the Act, the Human Rights Commission is given the role of resolving complaints about unlawful discrimination that people make.

More details can be viewed from the links below:

www.hrc.co.nz/wpcontent/uploads/2011/10/Resolving-discrimination-and-harassment.html

www.ssc.govt.nz/node/7821





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