

Course Content

- Industry knowledge
- Workplace safety
- Core skills
- Industry breadth
- Machinery maintenance
- Driving ATV & Tractor
- Fencing & wire skills
- Stock handling skills
- Chainsaw safety
- Shearing
- Career development



Be part of a growth industry

Agriculture

Forestry

Horticulture



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Motivated Horizons

Rural Studies

In NZ's farming heartland

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The King Country



Rural Studies at Piopio College

Piopio College is an NZQA accredited secondary school. It has owned and operated its own farm since 1994.



In 2003, the Board of Trustees acquired a house and garage on a section on the farm boundary. This is the base and classroom for the Piopio College Motivated Horizons Rural Studies Programme.

Who is this Course for?

This course is for students 16–18 years of age. We are looking for students who have a good attitude, are hard-working and are enthusiastic about rural work.

About the Course

This is a full year course where attitude and attendance will be monitored closely.



What is different about this course?

The Motivated Horizons Rural Studies

Programme is designed to give students a wide experience of the rural sector. This is possible because of the interest, goodwill and cooperation of a large number of varied rural enterprises. From drainage contracting to fertiliser and farm retail to crutching.

Costs?

The course is free but there may be some costs associated with clothing such as wet weather gear and steel capped boots.

Job opportunities after the course?

There are many job opportunities available in the rural sector and to a large extent the only limitation is attitude. We set high expectations and help our students to achieve.

What qualifications are available?

During the year you will do NZQA unit standards in agriculture, forestry or horticulture. These lead to Level 2 National Certificates in these areas of study. During the year you will also have the opportunity to visit other training organisations to look at the further training and study that is available.



How do I get an interview for this course?

Please write a letter saying why you want to do the course. Supply two or three character references. Send these to the address below.

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