

STAR (Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource) is a series of courses that help students move from high school to a tertiary provider, like a polytechnic. These courses either run all year with one session each week taken by Tai Poutini Polytechnic tutors (the rest of the week students work on workbooks provided) or the course runs for a short block, normally for one week. For short block courses, the students come to the Polytechnic for intensive training.

Note: Costs are met by the school, not by the individual students.

Please refer below for details of the courses that we offer. For more information, please contact the Polytechnic.

Audio Engineering – Christchurch & Auckland

At MAINZ Christchurch and Auckland - students will gain an overview of the concepts of sound, with hands-on experience in basic recording, effects processing and computer music.

Hours:	30*
Unit Standard:	10302
Cost per student:	\$200

Automotive Trade Training (Year 1)

Audiographic sessions, Mondays 9am - 10am plus one week block course in Greymouth during the September break.

Hours:	100*
Unit Standards:	229, 231, 16113
Cost per student:	\$500 plus block course costs

Automotive Trade Training (Year 2)

Audiographics session, Mondays, plus one week block course in Greymouth during the July break.

Hours:	100*
Unit Standards:	239, 21720, 21721, 21857
Cost per student:	\$600 plus block course costs

Babysitting (Rights and Responsibilities)

Gain a certificate that says you can babysit. The course covers caring for babies, child development and routines, safety and injury prevention, managing children's behaviour and the rights and responsibilities of babysitting. Delivered at the Greymouth campus or by arrangement.

Hours:	15*
Unit Standard:	6670
Cost per student:	\$90

Barista

Learn the art of making great coffee. Delivered at Tai Poutini Polytechnic Greymouth campus or by arrangement.

Hours:	20*
Unit Standards:	17284, 17285, 17286, 17287
Cost per student:	\$180

*Includes self study time

Food Safety

Delivered at Tai Poutini Polytechnic Greymouth campus - provides a balance of theory and practical learning, including an overview of legislation and requirements relating to safe food practices.

Hours:	25*
Unit Standards:	167, 20666
Cost per student:	\$200

Hairdressing

Delivered at Tai Poutini Polytechnic's Greymouth campus hairdressing salon.

Hours:	20*
Unit Standards:	3501, 419, 57, 62
Cost per student:	\$250 Includes hairdressing products

Hospitality/KiwiHost

Delivered at Tai Poutini Polytechnic Greymouth campus.

Hours:	20*
Unit Standards:	56, 57, 62
Cost per student:	\$175

Introduction to DJing - Christchurch & Auckland

At MAINZ Christchurch and Auckland. This course introduces students to the basic skills involved in DJing: scratching, beat mixing, beat juggling, CD mixing, event management, history and theory.

Hours:	30*
Unit Standards:	10872
Cost per student:	\$200

Live Sound – Christchurch & Auckland

At MAINZ Christchurch and Auckland. This course gives students an introduction to the theory and practice of live sound mixing and appreciation of live stage events.

Hours:	30*
Unit Standards:	12825
Cost per student:	\$200

Mining

Delivered by Solid Energy at Tai Poutini Polytechnic Greymouth campus and various mine sites.

Hours:	40*
Unit Standards:	497, 7146, 17696
Cost per student:	Nil

Theatre Lighting – Christchurch & Auckland

At MAINZ Christchurch and Auckland - gives students an introduction into stage lighting, including which lights to use and how to maintain them. Basic lighting desk operations and hands on experience.

Hours:	30*
Unit Standards:	10195
Cost per student:	\$200