

What is a Homestay?

Please note if you are a CAP student, homestay accommodation will not be suitable as your placement will involve shift work.

There are two types of homestays - Full board and Independent.

Full board homestay

Package includes:

- Your own room within the main building.
 - The room will include a bed, desk, chair, lamp and storage drawers.
 - An electric blanket for the bed may also be provided in colder seasons.
 - A heater must be provided.
 - Key to the home.

- Meals
 - Monday to Friday: Breakfast and dinner.
 - Saturday and Sunday, public holidays and NMIT term holidays: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

- Wireless internet
 - A minimum of 40GB of WIFI per student.

Costs per week

2018: NZ\$250

2019: NZ\$280

Homestays for students under 18 years of age

If you are under 18 years of age it is a requirement that you stay in approved homestay accommodation.

Our under 18 homestay package includes all the features of the full board homestay plus:

- Daily packed lunch during the week
- Telephone (excluding toll calls)
- Laundry (optional)

Costs per week

2018: NZ\$ 325

Independent homestays

It is also possible to arrange a homestay with no meals provided at a lower weekly cost. This is called an Independent Homestay and it includes your own room, heating, electricity, bedding and internet. No food is provided.

Costs per week

2018: NZ\$190

2019: NZ\$215

Term

A homestay arrangement needs to be for 8 weeks or longer. Please complete arrival and departure dates on the homestay application form.

There is a payment/notice period of Two weeks if you wish to leave prior to your arranged date. If you plan to stay less than 8 weeks, please contact the local commercial accommodation providers and arrange your own accommodation directly.

Fees

Fees to your homestay should be paid two weeks in advance, firstly in cash to your hosts on arrival and then by automatic payment – your hosts will provide you with their bank account details.

Holiday

You will continue to pay the full price of the homestay if you are away from the homestay for less than five consecutive days. For holidays over 5 days in length, 50 percent of your standard homestay rate is charged. Hosts will not store your belongings if you are not paying at least 50% of the homestay fee – this is by arrangement directly with the hosts due to insurance and capacity limitations.