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WARM AUCKLAND AND CHRISTCHURCH NZTC WELCOME

Students from Asia, the Pacific and South America were treated to a special orientation full of New Zealand Tertiary College (NZTC) heart welcoming them as new members of the college community.



Manisha Sharma, Arlene Esrael and Hyun Kyung Lee at Christchurch orientation

The orientation events at the NZTC Auckland and Christchurch campuses included a pōhiri (traditional Māori welcome), a tour of the 50 new students' respective cities and further information about studying with the college.

For Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood Education) student Aneri Shah the pōhiri was a lovely welcome to the college, noting particularly the waiata (Māori song) sung by all NZTC staff, which gave her "goosebumps".

Arriving in New Zealand from India a little more than a week prior to Auckland orientation, Aneri said the lovely warm, friendly and honest nature of the New Zealand people she had met so far meant she hasn't been homesick.

"Everyone gives you a smile," Aneri said. "The place is beautiful, and the weather is so temperate. I wake up with a smile because it's so good. Auckland's mixture of quiet suburbs and happening city is a good blend."

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood Education) student Danyang Wang, who is originally from Zhengzhou, Henan Province in Central China, also found the waiata to be "very beautiful".

"I have never experienced anything like it before," she said.

"It has not been that hard for me to fit in to Auckland, as it's a big city, but I like the climate, it is very mild compared to China," Danyang said. "And there is sea and seagulls. I love seagulls."

Arlene Esrael, who arrived in Christchurch from the Philippines in June to study the New Zealand Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care (Level 5), described Christchurch as "such a wonderful place, I love it! It is not crowded. It is clean with very nice and friendly people. A great place to live!"

Already enjoying New Zealand's outdoor lifestyle, so far her highlight has been hiking the Christchurch 360 Trail from Sumner to Lyttleton, which has views of marshes, wetlands, dry savannah ecosystems, from verdant bush remnants to exposed open hilltops.

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood Education) student Hyun Kyung Lee moved to Christchurch from Korea in September last year.

I love Christchurch. There are a lot of reasons such as clean air and water, one reason I like this city is that there are great parks around here! I love to spend time with my kids in the parks.

"In New Zealand a large number of people are friendly and polite. People are considerate of others and hold doors open for people, and say 'hello' when passing each other."







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ENROLMENTS MANAGER VISITS NEW ZEALAND FROM INDIA

Nahida Coelho travelled to New Zealand to enhance her knowledge of the college.



Enrolments Manager – Nahida Coelho

NZTC recently hosted Enrolments Manager Nahida Coelho, who is based at the college's office in Mumbai, India, at its campuses in Auckland and Christchurch in New Zealand.

During her trip she had the opportunity to attend orientation week, where she participated in a pōhiri (traditional Māori welcome) alongside new students and staff. She also accompanied new international students on a city tour of Auckland.

"The pōhiri is a very warm and special experience. It's difficult to explain to new students, because you have to be there to feel it. I've never experienced such a lovely welcome before," Nahida said.

"Having experienced orientation myself, I can give new students a first-hand account of what they can expect when they go to New Zealand to study with the college. Students can rest assured that all of their questions about their studies and life in a new country will be answered during orientation."

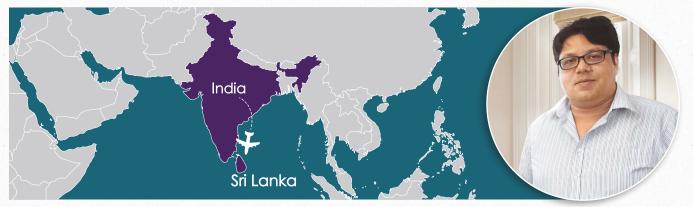
Nahida spent quality time with the NZTC Team in Auckland and Christchurch, gaining a deeper understanding of the inner workings of the college. She also met with the college's educational partners in New Zealand, and visited an early childhood education centre during her trip.

MEET NZTC IN SRI LANKA

Marketing Manager, Sanjay Jain will be in Colombo, Sri Lanka, 30 August to 7 September.

Sanjay will meet with NZTC Global students who are currently studying towards their qualification online to discuss pathways to further their study in New Zealand. He will also meet with education partners, prospective students and NZTC graduates.

If you wish to learn more about studying with NZTC, please email **sanjay.jain@nztertiarycollege.in** or call on **+91 8879639704.**



Marketing Manager – Sanjay Jain





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INDIAN GRADUATE VALUES PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE **GAINED DURING STUDIES**

NZTC Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood Education) student Pearl Madan shares how gaining practical experience while studying has supported her learning and practice.

Pearl Madan knew from an early age that she enjoyed working with children. After studying a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, she joined a non-governmental organisation in Mumbai, India, where she was first introduced to teaching young autistic children through the organisation's early intervention centre.



NZTC student - Pearl Madan

However, it was while working at a Montessori preschool that she decided to pursue a career in early childhood education.

"I enjoy being there for the little moments for the children and supporting them as they become empowered individuals ready to step out into the bigger world," Pearl said.

"I also enjoy assisting children as they work towards their interests and accomplish their goals. I feel that if they recieve the right guidance now and are pointed in the right direction, there is no end to what they can achieve as they grow up and I would be a contributor to that."

During her time at the preschool, Pearl felt the need to further her knowledge of early childhood education by studying a program that would give her the opportunity to get practical experience during her studies. NZTC's Graduate Diploma in Teaching (ECE) met all of her requirements.

"What I liked best about my studies with NZTC was that I had the chance to gain hands-on experience as I was studying. It allowed me to work with children and learn from teachers who had a lot of experience in the field. Field Practice gave me the opportunity to work at different centres, experience different environments, and see how different centres function," Pearl explained.

She is currently teaching at an early childhood centre in Auckland, New Zealand, where she is continuing to gain valuable experience. One day, she hopes to apply what she has learnt during her studies and work in New Zealand home in India, introducing play as a vital tool that aids children's learning.

"I want to create an environment where children have the opportunity to explore their interest and develop as competent individuals. I believe that play is integral to a child's development and should, therefore, be incorporated into their daily lives."

Pearl's ultimate goal is to open her own centre. "Besides applying the skills that I have learnt through NZTC and the New Zealand early childhood education system, I would like to innovate and enhance children's skill sets and innate intelligence."

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