



OTUMOETAI COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMME

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Studying: Mathematics, English, Hospitality, Painting,
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Goal: Improve my English, get to know a new country & it's
people



Why did you choose New Zealand to study?

I wanted to surf in my exchange year, so I picked New Zealand

What is the best thing about studying at Otumoetai College?

It is really relaxed, and not stressful like in Germany. The teachers are nice, and it is not that strict (except the school uniform).

What do you enjoy most about being in New Zealand and living in Tauranga?

You can easily get to the beach by bus. I went surfing a few times and it was always nice. Near my house there is a beautiful park. Here there are so many beautiful places, and the beach is just amazing.

Do you enjoy living with a New Zealand homestay family?

I have a really nice, chilled host family. I really appreciated my host family during the lockdown, because I could do what I wanted and when I was bored, they gave me something to do.

What would you say to a student from your country considering coming to New Zealand, Tauranga and Otumoetai College to live and study?

Don't worry too much. Everything will turn out well, and even if you have some hard times, just know that it is just for a little moment

What are your aspirations?

I don't know

What do you plan to do after your New Zealand education is completed?

I want to study in another country. My half year in New Zealand gave me the confidence to speak more English.

