



Social Workers
Registration Board
Kāhui Whakamana Tauwhiro

Social Work Education Providers: Annual Report 2018

This annual report provides a high level overview of the SWRB recognised education programmes for the academic year 2018.

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This report provides a summary of information contained in the 2018 annual reports submitted by the SWRB social work recognised programmes.

The providers and student numbers are:

Ara Institute of Canterbury	78 students
Bethlehem Tertiary Institute	69 students
Eastern Institute of Technology	83 students
Massey University	521 students
Manukau Institute of Technology	160 students
Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology	76 students
NorthTec	73 students
Open Polytechnic	158 students
Te Wananga o Aotearoa	379 students
Te Wananga o Raukawa	81 students
The University of Auckland	214 students
Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology	59 students
Unitec New Zealand	237 students
University of Canterbury	201 students
University of Otago	139 students
University of Waikato	81 students
Whitireia Polytechnic	111students
Wintec	121 students

Total students enrolled: 2841 [2307 full time and 534 part time] [2509 Undergraduate and 332 postgraduate]

Year 1 U/G	873
Year 2 U/G	732
Year 3 U/G	685
Year 4 U/G	318
Year 1 P/G	212
Year 2 U/G	120

These numbers are less than enrolments in 2017 when the total number of enrolments was 3310. There was a larger decrease in the number of part time students than full time – 2497 F/T and 813 P/T in 2017. There was an increase in the number of postgraduate students [275 in 2017] and a decrease in undergraduate numbers [3036 in 2017].

In 2017 Te Wananga o Aotearoa had the largest number of students enrolled 543. In 2018 their numbers dropped to 379. The largest provider is Massey University – 521 students in 2018, 536 in 2017.

Gender: Males 395 (13.9%); Females 2446 (86.1%). This is a slightly higher percentage of female students than in 2017 (84%)

Age:

30 or younger	31-40	41-50	51-60	51 or older
1523	634	467	197	20

This is an 7% increase of students in the 30 or younger age range than in 2017.

Ethnicity:

NZEuropean/Pākehā	1373	76.28%
British/Irish	64	3.56%
Other European	60	3.33%
Australian	26	1.44%
New Zealand Māori	867	48.16%
Samoan	164	9.11%
Cook Island Māori	50	2.77%
Tongan	96	5.33%
Niuean	14	0.77%
Tokelauan	6	0.33%
Fijian	21	1.16%
Other Pacific Islander	49	2.72%
South East Asian	16	0.88%
Chinese	20	1.11%
Indian	50	2.77%
Sri Lankan	5	0.27%
Japanese	4	0.22%
Korean	21	1.16%
Other Asian	30	1.66%
Middle Eastern	16	0.88%
Latin America	6	0.33%
African	47	2.61%
Other	176	9.77%

In 2017 only 30% of students identified as Māori. We see a 18% increase in 2018. However, this increase is mainly made up by new entrants to the 4 year, undergraduate degree so 3 more years before the increased numbers reach the point of registration.

It should be noted that a number of students identify with more than one ethnicity

Students eligible to graduate:

At the end of 2018 there were 396 students eligible to graduate. This is substantially less than in 2017 when 691 students were eligible to graduate. However in 2017 a number of institutions graduated their final cohort of students from the three year degree and there was an increase in

numbers as students who may have been part-time or who had taken time off needed to complete in 2017 to meet the institutions regulations. In 2018 a number of institutions were still teaching in their 4 year degree so did not have a graduating cohort. This explains the low number of students in the year 4 of the undergraduate degree this year. In 2019 all institutions will have a full cohort of students in year 4 so the number of students eligible to graduate should rise again.

Placement information:

Programmes are required to provide students with 120 days of field education experience, with 100 days of this experience being in the last 2 years of the programme. There must be at least 2 different experiences and one must be at least 50 days. All institutions comply with these requirements. All programmes except 2 do 2x 60 day placements. The remaining two do 30/90 and 50/70. In total there were 971 placements throughout 2018 [1272 in 2017].

The regional spread of placements was:

Northland	63
Auckland	383
Waikato	55
Bay of Plenty	89
Gisborne	11
Hawkes Bay	26
Manawatu/Whanganui	51
Taranaki	26
Wellington	63
Tasman	2
Nelson	29
Marlborough	2
West Coast	6
Canterbury	82
Otago	64
Southland	11
Overseas	7

Agency settings:

Government agency	301
- OT	125
- DHB	129
- Corrections	29
- Local/Regional Council	8
- Other Government	11 (e.g Police, SWRB, Immigration)

85% of Supervision in Government agencies was provided by on-site registered social workers.

Non-government agencies	670
- Māori/Iwi based	130

401 (60%) of these placements had on supervision provided by onsite registered social workers.

57 placements were carried out in the student's place of employment.

27 students did not complete placements for reasons other than a fail grade – reasons included personal and family reasons, no longer e met fit and proper requirements health issues, complaint against student, student withdrawn from degree)

20 students received a fail grade.