



## **OTUMOETAI COLLEGE**

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMME**

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Calculus and Photography

**Goal:** To be an Economist



**1) Why did you choose New Zealand to study?**

I chose New Zealand to study, because from what I had heard before I came, New Zealand is a peaceful country with an amazing environment and a reliable education system.

**2) What is the best thing about studying at Otumoetai College?**

There is a lot of support from the staff, teachers and friends, which I think it is the most important thing for someone who lives and goes to school in a different country.

**3) What do you enjoy most about being in New Zealand?**

There are lots of things I enjoy about being in New Zealand. It is a very beautiful country full of wonderful culture and nature. Although what I do enjoy the most about being here must be to experience different things.

**4) Do you enjoy living with a New Zealand homestay family?**

Yes I do. My homestay is like my second family here.

**5) What would you say to a student from your country considering coming to New Zealand to study?**

I would say to give it a go. If you think you are interested it is worth a try. Of course not everyone will have the same experience. Some will like it, some won't. To me, this has taught me a lot, apart from school, I have also learned a lot in life as well.

**6) What are your career aspirations?**

My family in Thailand owns a number of businesses, therefore I would like to work where I can help develop the family businesses and become good at it.

**7) What Nirada plans to do after her New Zealand education is completed?**

Nirada is starting her Business Management Degree at the Bay of Plenty Polytech in July 2013. Nirada plans to finish her Business Management degree at Waikato University and become an Economist, then work in the business field.