



## OTUMOETAI COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMME

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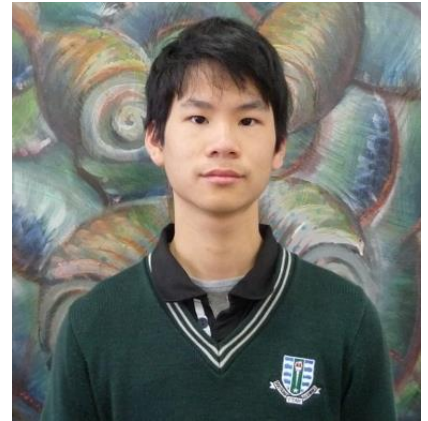
**Nationality:** Thai

**Tauranga Schools:**

Otumoetai Intermediate  
Otumoetai College

**Studying:** N.C.E.A. Level 3 Calculus, Chemistry, English,  
Graphics, Physics

**Goal:** To achieve a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours



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

I chose to study in New Zealand because the quality of the education is very high.

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

The best thing about studying at Otumoetai College is that this school gives students a lot of opportunity to learn new and different things. Most of my friends are kiwis.

I have enjoyed my interaction with the staff in the International office who have always supported and assisted me when I needed help.

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

I enjoy the culture here as most people are friendly and kind.

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

Yes. I have lived with the same family for 5 ½ years and they have been a huge part of my success at Otumoetai College. I have three host brothers who have always made me welcome and feel part of the family. My host mother is a great cook and I have eaten many great kiwi dishes.

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

New Zealand is an excellent choice. This country offers a high quality of education. Also this is one of the safest places on earth.

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

I have applied to the University of Auckland and the University of Sydney to study Engineering.

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

To work as an Electrical Engineer.