

MEDICAL & TRAVEL INSURANCE COMMITMENT FORM 2012



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY

This form must be completed by all international students studying in New Zealand. Do not complete this form if you are a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, Australia, Tokelau, Niue, or the Cook Islands, or if you are an international student who is studying outside New Zealand.

International students must comply with government requirements for comprehensive medical and travel insurance. Evidence of suitable medical and travel insurance must be presented as a condition of enrolment at the University. Further details on the procedures for obtaining adequate insurance cover are on the University website: www.otago.ac.nz/international/healthcare.html#medical

Note that many international insurance policies do not comply with New Zealand Government regulations. Please read the advice on the website before purchasing any insurance in your home country.

Family Name

Given Name(s)

Date of Birth Student ID (Returning students only)
Day Month Year

Programme of Study (e.g. BA, MSc, COP)

Contact Address

Country Email Address

Thesis-only students – please specify date of departure from home country:
Day Month Year

I wish to purchase Studentsafe-University insurance. (For alternative policies, see overleaf.)

I acknowledge that the University will receive a rebate for arranging insurance and that part of this rebate will be retained by the University to cover administrative costs. If this policy is cancelled during my enrolment, I will absolve the University of any liability. I acknowledge that the University has no liability for any insurance matters under the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students until I fully complete enrolment.

Individual Options

- One semester (for students needing one semester only to complete a programme of study or for Study Abroad and Exchange students)
- Three months (for Summer School students only)
- Summer School plus semester one (only) of study
- Summer school plus one year of study
- One year (for all other students)

Option for Couples

- One semester (for students needing one semester only to complete a programme of study or for Study Abroad and Exchange students)
- Three months (for Summer School students only)
- Summer School plus semester one (only) of study
- Summer school plus one year of study
- One year (for all other students)

Family Options

- One semester (for students needing one semester only to complete a programme of study or for Study Abroad and Exchange students)
- Three months (for Summer School students only)
- Summer School plus one semester of study
- Summer school plus one year of study
- One year (for all other students)

If selecting family option, please specify number of dependants:

If you are selecting a family option for the first time, please email international.insurance@otago.ac.nz to obtain a family policy application form.

Studentsafe-University premiums for 2012 were not available at the time this form was printed. Premiums will be available on the University website from August 2011: www.otago.ac.nz/international/healthcare.html#medical

I intend to arrange an alternative policy.

I will submit to the University, at least six weeks prior to departing for New Zealand, an English version of the complete alternative policy (not just the insurance certificate) I intend to purchase. If the alternative policy does not comply with New Zealand Government requirements, I agree to purchase the Studentsafe package.

PLEASE READ THIS SECTION BEFORE SIGNING THE FORM.

I understand that the Studentsafe-University option does not cover pre-existing medical conditions. Should I wish to apply for cover under the Studentsafe-University policy to include pre-existing conditions, I will need to contact Studentsafe directly at www.studentsafe.co.nz. NO cover will apply for pre-existing conditions of health until Studentsafe certifies my cover.

I agree to maintain up-to-date insurance cover with Studentsafe-University or an alternative approved by the International Office, as required by the New Zealand Government in accordance with the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students. I understand that if I complete Course Approval without providing either a signed insurance commitment form indicating that I will take up the University's preferred insurance plan or evidence of an alternative policy (approved in advance), I authorise the University to arrange insurance cover (with the preferred provider).

I understand and agree to Student Health Services providing the Insurer with documentation and information relevant to any claim made under this policy. This includes the process by which Student Health Services directly bills the insurer.

Signature

Date

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Day	Month	Year

International students who do not complete and return this form will be signed up for the one year individual Studentsafe-University option, as an interim measure. This arrangement can be reviewed once you are on campus.

NOTES: PLEASE READ

Alternative Policies

Many overseas insurance policies are not compliant with the New Zealand Government's Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students. If you wish to be covered by an alternative policy while studying at the University of Otago, contact the insurance administrator at **international.insurance@otago.ac.nz**. Alternative policies received less than six weeks prior to the start date of a student's course (as per Offer of Place for first year students) will not be accepted for assessment and students will be coded Studentsafe University by default. Returning students who wish to submit an alternative policy should contact the insurance administrator for the last date of receipt of alternative policies.

The Insurance Year

The insurance year runs from 17 January 2012 to 16 January 2013. For Thesis and other students beginning study outside the standard semester start dates, insurance will be charged on a pro rata basis, commencing one month before commencement of study and ending one month after the completion date. The month on either side is to ensure coverage for travel back to the home country, as mandated by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students.

Note: This form can only be used to purchase Studentsafe-University insurance for the 2012 calendar year. If you require insurance cover for 2011 or 2013, please contact the International Office.

Family Cover

It is important to ensure that your family has adequate insurance cover while living in New Zealand, as they will not be eligible to receive free state provided health care. It is also important to note that only students may access on-campus health services.

If you have dependants that you would like to include on your insurance policy, please contact **international.insurance@otago.ac.nz** for more information.

Maternity Care

International students do not have access to publically funded maternity services. For more information, please see www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/indexmh/eligibility-guidehome

Application to Specify Cover for Valuable Items of Property

If you have an item of property worth more than the 2011 policy limit of NZD\$2,500.00, please complete the Studentsafe-Specification of Personal Property Application Form which you can download using the link below. Once you have downloaded it, please return to Marsh Limited, PO Box 33313, Auckland, New Zealand.

www.studentassist.co.nz/pdf/ssafe_spec_items.pdf

Further Information

Insurance Administrator

International Office

University of Otago

PO Box 56

Dunedin 9054

New Zealand

Tel 64 3 479 8582

Fax 64 3 479 8367

Email **international.insurance@otago.ac.nz**

Please return this form to:

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Dunedin 9054

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or fax to 64 3 479 8367

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Code:	Dates:
Date Actioned:	Initial: