

AFS DOMESTIC PROGRAMMES



TE AO MĀORI

Based in Pōneke (Wellington)
28 September – 2 October 2020
Available to domestic and international students
Ages 15 – 18
Applications close Sunday 13 September 2020

Join us in Pōneke for a journey of discovery, exploring iwi history in Te Whanganui-a-Tara (Wellington Harbour) and engaging with different aspects of Māoritanga (Māori culture).

This 5-day course is packed with education and exploration of the Wellington region. From engaging with Ātiawa iwi for a waka tour of Te Whanganui-a-Tara to visiting and creating environmental connections with Kāpiti and Wairarapa, this programme incorporates both the spiritual and the physical as we develop an understanding of Te Ao in Pōneke.

Along the way you will gain a cultural perspective of this unique country, develop valuable intercultural leadership skills and uncover new things about yourself and your place in the world.

AFS NZ has been providing Kiwis with extraordinary intercultural learning opportunities for over 70 years.

For more information about the Te Ao Māori Programme or any of our other AFS programmes contact logan.byrne@afs.org

Programme Highlights Include:

- Begin the programme with a mihi whakatau (welcome) from Ātiawa including waiata (songs) and introductions.
- Learn basic commands and chants before taking part in a paddling experience in the Harbour on a traditionally carved waka.
- Explore the history of iwi in Pōneke in the early formation of Wellington City.
- Day trip to the Wairarapa to explore the stunning Putangirua Pinnacles (a must for all Lord of the Rings fans!).
- Take part in traditional workshops learning about Māori medicine, arts and crafts, storytelling and more.
- Spend a day on Kāpiti Island getting up close and personal with some of Aotearoa's native flora and fauna!