

KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS' COLLEGE

AUCKLAND

TRAINING COURSE FOR STUDENT TEACHERS

In order to achieve its object - the continuity of Kindergarten work - the Auckland Kindergarten Association receives each year selected students for training as Kindergarten teachers.

The prescribed course covers two years. Part of this time is spent at lectures and related activities at the Kindergarten Teachers' College and part of the time gaining practical experience in Kindergartens.

A P P L I C A T I O N S C L O S E O N
T H E L A S T D A Y O F T E R M 2

Applicants should apply in writing to:

The Assistant Principal,
Kindergarten Teachers' College,
43 Arney Road,
Remuera, Auckland. S.E. 2.

THE COURSE

Education A.

- 1) Human Development (an overview)
- 2) Child Development
- 3) Adolescence to Adulthood

Education B.

Early childhood education - including Kindergarten practices, planning of programmes, home-school liaison, principles of Kindergarten teaching.

Curriculum Studies

- a) Language, including listening skills, story telling and children's literature
- b) Expressive Arts: Art, craft, music, movement
- c) Environmental studies: Studies designed to encourage children's understanding of their environment

Extension Studies

- a) English (compulsory), including speech and public speaking
- b) Expressive activity. Students may choose one subject from the following:
Art, Craft, Music, Dance, Drama
- c) Environmental studies selected from natural, physical or social science, mathematics or a foreign language. Students may be permitted to offer as an option an approved University, University Extension or Evening Class subject.

UNIVERSITY STUDIES:

A limited number of bursaries are available for students wishing to study Education at University. Students are given encouragement to further their studies.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY

1. Applicants who have passed the University Entrance or School Certificate examinations are eligible for the Course.
2. Applicants with School Certificate must be 17 years of age on the last day of February of the year training commences. There is no minimum age for those with higher qualifications.
3. Applicants under 17 years of age on the last day of February must have a qualification higher than School Certificate, i.e. a Lower Sixth Form Certificate or University Entrance.
4. A warm personality, poise, eagerness to learn and to accept responsibility, clear speech, an interest in the creative arts, and a fondness for children, are all qualities essential to a member of the teaching profession.
5. An applicant must be in good health, and free from any physical defect, that would affect her work with children.

TESTIMONIALS.

Each applicant must furnish an original Testimonial from either the Minister of her Church or some person of standing in her community, not a school testimonial.

The College will apply to schools currently attended by applicants for confidential reports from the Head Teacher.

BOND REQUIRED OF ALL SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

he conditions of a Bond which an applicant and a Bondsman must sign before the applicant can be accepted in a Kindergarten Teachers' College (as stated by the Department of Education) are set out below :-

1. One of the conditions of such admission is that the student shall on the completion of the said training serve as a teacher in a recognised free kindergarten or in a position approved by the Director-General of Education for a period of two years.
2. The condition of this Bond is that if the student shall in the first alternative (unless prevented by sickness, injury, or other unavoidable cause) complete the said training and serve in a full-time teaching position in a recognised free kindergarten or in a position approved by the Director-General of Education for a period of at least two years, which training and service shall be continuous unless the Director-General of Education otherwise approves; or shall in the second alternative refund by way of liquidated damages to Her Majesty the Queen upon demand, made upon the student by the Director-General of Education the allowances and all other moneys paid by the Government to the student or on her behalf during the period of the said training and in respect of such training

STUDENT ALLOWANCES

Successful applicants receive a Department of Education allowance at the following rates :-

School Certificate	\$ 871
Lower Sixth Form Certificate	\$ 981
University Entrance	£ 1,079
Over 21 years of age	\$ 1,515

In addition, there is an allowance of \$135 per annum for those under 21 years of age who board away from home.

This allowance paid to the successful applicants is not regarded as a salary, but as a grant towards general expenses such as books, overalls, fares and boarding allowance.

SALARIES FOR CERTIFICATED TEACHERS

The present salary scale for teachers holding a recognised Kindergarten Diploma is as follows -

Teachers	-	\$1,711 rising to \$ 2,280 according to qualifications
Head Teachers	-	\$ 2,170 rising to \$ 2,974 according to qualifications

PROMOTION :

In addition, other positions are available to girls of ability and educational achievement. These include senior and supervising positions, positions on College Staffs and with the Department of Education.

Bond Required of All Successful Applicants (cont'd.)

2. subject however to a reduction equivalent to the proportion which any period of full-time service as a kindergarten teacher, which has been approved by the Director-General of Education and which has been undertaken on completion of the said training, bears to the total period of such service which the student can be required to serve.
3. The student is required to provide a Bondsman, and both student and Bondsman enter into a bond for the sum of \$400.
4. The bond will be enforced from the date the student enters Teachers' College.

N.B. Students are not required to find the sum set down in the Bond at the beginning of the Course. In fact, the money is not paid in at all unless the teacher fails to fulfil her obligations as set out in the Bond.

APPLICATION

When making application please enclose an original testimonial as a character reference (not a school testimonial) and if you have them your -

School Certificate Result Notice
Lower Sixth Form Result Notice
University Entrance Result Notice

Applications close on the last day of Term 2

SELECTION OF APPLICANTS

The Selection Committee holds meetings to interview applicants during the second and third term of the year.

Applicants are required to attend one of these meetings, and are given opportunity to indicate whether it would be more convenient to attend in

Auckland
Hamilton
or
Whangarei

This Committee will judge whether the applicants possess the necessary personal qualities for pre-school teaching. The maturity of the applicant, her command of English, her speech and her interest in study and reading, are important factors. It is important for pre-school teachers to have a sincere affection for children but of equal importance is her ability to get on with adults including those in her own age group.

All applicants who are eligible and have completed and returned the application form (see front page) will be notified of the time and place of these meetings.

A satisfactory medical report is to be furnished on a form that will be posted to the applicant when notification of the meeting is sent out.

Government Superannuation Fund.

The Superannuation Amendment Act, 1963, contains the following provisions regarding membership of the Government Superannuation Fund.

- (a) All persons who become permanently employed in the Government Service on or after 1 January 1964, and whose age is under 25 years, are required to contribute to the Government Superannuation Fund from the date of permanent appointment or the date of attaining 17 years of age, whichever is the later.
- (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) do not apply to women who are married at the time of appointment.
- (c) A female contributor who marries may withdraw from the Fund on giving 6 months' notice. The notice may be given in anticipation of marriage and a refund of contributions will be made at the expiration of the period of notice provided the contributor is a married woman by that date.
- (d) All contributors on reaching 25 years of age, may withdraw from the Fund on giving the required 6 months' notice.
- (e) The above provisions apply to all students (including Division 'U') entering Teachers' Training Colleges or Kindergarten Training Colleges after 1 January 1964, except those students (as, for example, those in Division B) who are not in receipt of allowances whilst in training.

RESIDENCE WHILE IN TRAINING

We do not have a residential hostel and it is the responsibility of the applicant to make her own arrangements for accommodation.

The following hostels generally have some accommodation available, but it is suggested that intending applicants should apply as early as possible in the year, in anticipation of acceptance for the Course. Many hostels have long waiting lists. :-

Seamer House	...	515 Remuera Rd. Remuera
Winstone Lodge	...	59 Victoria Ave. Remuera
Christian Alliance of Women and Girls	...	30 Merivale Ave., Epsom
St. Joseph of Cluny		
Business Girls' Hostel	.	74 Victoria Ave. Remuera
Hostel of the Holy Name	..	24 Arney Rd., Remuera

PRIVATE BOARD: A certain amount of private board is also available ranging from \$12 - \$14 per week. Holiday retainer by private arrangement.

Late in January an advertisement is inserted in the local newspapers and a Staff member inspects the accommodation offered. Those who have had difficulty in making their own arrangements may contact the Accommodation Officer at the College address during January.

FLATTING. The Board of Studies of the Kindergarten College does not approve of flatting. In the past problems have arisen when girls have had difficulty in studying or have been ill. Should parents decide to allow their daughters to flat their written approval is required and the College accepts no further responsibility in the matter. We do, however, ask parents to give the matter serious consideration before giving such approval.
