



**APPLICATION**  
 FOR ADMISSION TO UNH ECOQUEST PROGRAM  
**“SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS  
 AOTEAROA”**

**Return completed application materials to:**

UNH-EcoQuest Study Abroad Program  
 Department of Natural Resources and the Environment, James Hall  
 University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824

[eco.quest@unh.edu](mailto:eco.quest@unh.edu) Phone: (603) 862-2036, FAX: (603)-862-4976

**PREREQUISITES**

- Successful completion of at least 36 semester credit hours, including at least one semester course related to agriculture production and management (such as Sustainable Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Science, Agroecology, or any other applicable course), and at least one related to Agricultural Business, Environmental Economics, or Food and Society.
- A moderately high degree of physical fitness, including the ability to participate in the occasional overnight hike, and to work outside for extended periods in all weather.
- Agreement with the fundamental principles of intensive study, group cooperation, conservation ethic, and personal responsibility that are central to the EcoQuest living and learning environment.
- Students for whom English is their second language must demonstrate proficiency in English in an interview situation.

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Complete and return this application form to the above address, along with a non-refundable check for \$35, made payable to the University of New Hampshire.
2. Arrange for your college or university to send an official, up-to-date academic transcript.
3. Secure two references as instructed on the enclosed Reference Forms.

**UNH-EcoQuest will evaluate applications on a rolling admissions basis. In general, you should expect to hear of an admissions decision within two or three weeks after we receive your complete application. As we can only accommodate a limited number of students, and international travel preparations do take time, we encourage you to apply as early as possible. We cannot guarantee to admit students whose applications are submitted after the deadlines indicated below.**

**Please check which term you are applying for:**

Term	Arrive	Program Start	Program End	Apply by
<input type="checkbox"/> Fall 2025	Tue Sep 2	Tue Sep 2	Fri Dec 12	Apr 01, 2025

**PROGRAM COST: \$25,700\*\***

**In addition, there will be UNH International Travel Assistance and Insurance Program Fees (includes UNH Study Abroad Fee) of \$350.**

**Cost includes tuition, room, board, and in-country program travel. Transport to and from New Zealand is not included.**

**\*\*Note: Costs/dates for programs commencing after July 01 2025 will be confirmed by February 28 2025.**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

*Please Print Clearly in black pen*

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate (MM/DD/YY): 

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Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/NEXT OF KIN INFORMATION**

*Please Print Clearly in black pen*

Name of Parent(s) or Next of Kin: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION***Please Print Clearly in black pen*

College or University: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Year/Current Status:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major (declared or intended): \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary/High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the UNH-EcoQuest Program? \_\_\_\_\_

**RESPONSE QUESTIONS**

Please answer the following questions on separate paper, and return them with this form. Be sure to include your name on each page.

Keep in mind that there are no set requirements for admission beyond the prerequisites stated at the beginning of this form. For example, we do not expect applicants to have already had extensive outdoor or international experience. What we do expect from our students is a high level of curiosity about this planet and the personal motivation to contribute to its health. The following questions are included as an opportunity for you to reveal more about yourself, and to demonstrate that you are well suited to participate in a UNH-EcoQuest program.

1. *Please list any extracurricular activities or organizations in which you have participated, indicating any positions of leadership you have held.*
2. *Please list any jobs or internships you have had.*
3. *Please list any honors or awards you have received.*
4. *Please list any outdoor skills, qualifications and experience you possess.*
5. *Please list any experience you have had studying, living, or traveling in another country, and any languages you speak besides English.*
6.
  - a. *Have you ever been subject to suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary action by a university or college? If so, please explain.*
  - b. *Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor or are you currently facing such charges? If so, please explain.*

*(Note: A "yes" answer to either question will not necessarily eliminate your chances of acceptance.)*

7. *In an essay of no more than 500 words, please describe your interest in the UNH-EcoQuest program, what you hope to contribute, and how you expect this experience to assist in the achievement of one or more of your personal goals.*

**SIGNATURE**

Please indicate affirmation of the following statement with your signature.

*"I meet the prerequisites for participation in the UNH-EcoQuest program, and have completed this application accurately to the best of my knowledge."*

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_