

ODENZ - Outdoor Education New Zealand is a group of schools with a common purpose of offering high quality and safe experiential learning in and through the outdoors. Our aim is to work collaboratively in order to enable International Students to enjoy the very best study abroad life experiences.

ODENZ schools place particular significance on using the outdoors while encouraging their students to pursue personal and academic excellence.

ODENZ schools offer the traditional core subjects such as the Sciences, Mathematics, Languages, Humanities, Arts and English. In addition, our member schools offer a broad range of additional subjects such as Photography, Drama and Performing Arts, Design, Computing, Technologies, Physical Education and Outdoor Education.

Students are able to choose which school they will attend - whether it be in a larger city or smaller town. Accommodation options for students include homestays and some school boarding hostels.

Outdoor Education involves learning about ourselves, others, our environment - and growing as people while being in the outdoors.

In ODENZ schools, this means offering students the opportunity to learn through involvement in a range of outdoor experiences - from those that are low to moderately challenging to others which may be significantly challenging - emotionally, mentally, culturally, socially, spiritually and physically.

Outdoor Education involves and teaches:

- √ Self-management
- √ Personal development & organisation
- √ Independence and self-reliance
- √ Self confidence
- √ Communication
- √ Team work and cooperation
- ✓ Problem solving
- √ Decision making
- √ Leadership
- ✓ Environmental awareness & understanding
- ✓ Cultural awareness and understanding
- ✓ Physical skills such as bushcraft, tramping (hiking), mountain biking, climbing, kayaking, sailing, snow skills and water skills.

and thereby enabling young people to become more socially, culturally and environmentally aware Global Citizens.



