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> Sport and Adventure Careers > Snowsport Instructing

Certificate in Snowsport Instructing (Ski) or (Snowboard)

Duration:	18 Weeks (Full-Time)
Location:	Cardrona Alpine Resort, Wanaka
Options:	Full-Time
Start:	June
Fee*:	Domestic (approx): \$7,015 International (approx): \$18,950 <i>Fees include a Cardrona season pass, NZSIA exam fees and transport from the Wanaka classroom up the mountain. A Cardrona uniform is provided for the duration of the programme.</i>
Application:	Preferred by October 31. After this date, all late applications will be considered if places are available.

This qualification is for intermediate-level skiers/snowboarders looking for an exciting career in snowsport instructing. The practical programme is taught by Cardrona Alpine Resort's most experienced staff. New Zealand Snowsport Instructor Alliance (NZSIA)/Snowboard Instruction New Zealand (SBINZ) examiners also provide and/or oversee the programme delivery and content. Candidates will shadow the lessons of existing instructors before taking sole charge. The NZSIA/SBINZ Level 1 and Level 2 qualifications may be completed within this programme

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

You must be a reasonably confident skier/rider on a variety of terrain and snow conditions. You must submit a detailed logbook of your skiing/riding experience over a minimum two to three year period with your application along with a health and safety declaration and a referees report.

International Students: Must meet all stated entry requirements, plus demonstrate English language skills equivalent to an IELTS overall band score (academic) of 5.5 (with writing no less than 6.0 and all other bands no less than 5.5).

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION:

Applicants must supply certified copies of proof of identify, academic records and proof of residency (where appropriate).

SELECTION PROCEDURE:

All applicants who meet the entry criteria are eligible for selection.

FURTHER STUDY OPTIONS:

NZSIA Stage 3 Ski Instructor, Coach Examiner and Trainer and International Snowsport Instructors Association (ISIA) Instructor. NZSIA/SBINZ Stage 3 Snowboard Instructor, Coach Examiner and Trainer and International Snowsport Instructors Association (ISIA) Instructor.

ACCOMMODATION AND EQUIPMENT:

Students are responsible for providing their own ski/snowboard equipment and making their own accommodation arrangements in Wanaka.

STUDENT LOANS/ALLOWANCES:

Full-time students of this programme are eligible for student loans and allowances (dependent on age and financial circumstances). Please contact Studylink for additional information 0800 88 99 00 or visit: www.studylink.govt.nz

PROGRAMME SPECIFIC RISKS:

Students must be aware that the practice and teaching of snowsports can be physically and mentally demanding, and require a good level of health and fitness.

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YOU WILL STUDY:

Part 1: Classroom based delivery – professional presentation and expectations, customer service, weather, first aid, snow safety and an introduction to ski and snowboard school environment. This is followed by Cardrona Staff Induction Training including expectations, operations and customer service.

Part 2: Field Based Delivery – technical skiing and snowboarding including introduction of all movements; teaching first time students, both adults and children. Industry experience starts with shadowing instructors and when ready progressing into instructional roles. The bulk of the course is based on: improving the level of your personal skiing or snowboarding; learning how to demonstrate at all levels; developing teaching skills at all levels up to and including level 4; developing the ability to analyse and lesson plan up to and including level 4; continuing experience in instructor roles in the Ski and Snowboard School environment.

QUALIFICATION STRUCTURE:

SMS Code	Course/Unit Title	NQF Unit No	Level	NQF Credit	OP Credit
Guest Relations and Customer Services					
SI421746	Demonstrate communication and customer service skills for snowsport instruction	21746	3	5	0
SI421747	Demonstrate knowledge of the policy and procedures of a snowschool	21747	3	2	0
Instructional Skills					
SI404587	Instruct beginner snowsport	4587	3	6	0
SI404588	Instruct intermediate snowsports	4588	4	10	0
SI404590	Demonstrate adaptive snowsport instruction for people with disabilities	4590	3	5	0
SI409705	Give and respond to feedback on performance	9705	3	3	0
SI411097	Listen to gain information in an interactive situation	11097	3	3	0
SI418990	Demonstrate techniques for instructing a group of children in beginner snowsport	18990	3	8	0
SI421752	Understanding teaching and learning styles, and develop own teaching style for snowsport instruction	21752	4	3	0
SI401001	Instruct within a Snow School environment	-	4	0	15
SI402001	Integrating learning	-	4	0	10
Equipment Maintenance					
SI418130	Demonstrate basic maintenance of snowsport equipment	18130	2	2	-
Weather, Safety and Risk Management					
SI420159	Access and compare weather information for outdoor recreation	20159	2	1	0
SI406400	Manage first aid in emergency situations	6400	3	2	0
SI406401	Provide first aid	6401	2	1	0
SI406402	Provide resuscitation level 2	6402	1	1	0
SI418100	Demonstrate knowledge of safety, accident and emergency procedures for a snowsport area	18100	3	3	0
SUBTOTALS				55	25
TOTALS				80	
Elective Course – Advanced Skiing					
SI404591	Alpine ski downhill on intermediate terrain	4591	3	8	0
SI404592	Alpine ski downhill on advanced terrain	4592	4	12	0
SI404593	Alpine ski downhill off-piste	4593	4	12	0
SI404597	Snowboard on intermediate terrain	4597	3	8	0
Elective Course – Advanced Skiing					
SI404597	Snowboard on intermediate terrain	4597	3	8	0
SI404600	Snowboard off-piste at a snowsport area	4600	4	12	0
SI418104	Snowboard on advanced terrain at a snowsport area	18104	4	12	0
SI404591	Alpine ski downhill on intermediate terrain	4591	3	8	0
Elective Course – Advanced Skiing					
SI400001	Exam Fee - Alpine Level 1 Certification				
SI400002	Exam Fee - Alpine Level 2 Certification				
SI400003	Exam Fee - Snowboard Level 1 Certification				
SI400004	Exam Fee - Snowboard Level 2 Certification				
SI400005	Exam Fee - Children's Certification				
SI400006	Exam Fee - Ski Coaches Level 1				
SI400007	Exam Fee - Snowboard Coaches Level 1				

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