BCITO GATEWAY PROGRAMMES 2027

GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS



GATEWAY

Tertiary Education Commission
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Kia ora,

A warm welcome to all our Gateway partners. BCITO is committed to support you to introduce students to the world of Construction Trades.

Due to the impact of the global and domestic economy on the construction sector, BCITO will be changing how we work with schools.



Engaging with BCITO

Schools can access Gateway packages by contacting us via phone **0800 422 486** or email **Gateway@bcito.org.nz**.

Once contact is made, a Training Advisor (TA) will visit your school to discuss the process and set up a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Once the MOU is in place, the TA will then work with the Gateway Coordinator to determine site details and dates for an assessment to be undertaken.

Further information to note. From 2027:

- Students will need an appropriate construction employer allocated for experience and assessment before entering a Gateway Agreement. If the employer does not cover one of the sixteen construction trades provided by BCITO then an alternative provider needs to be sought by the school
- Driver's licence subsidies have unfortunately been discontinued
- Assessment activity will now be completed solely by each learner's allocated Training Advisor (TA), drop-in visits and training delivery are no longer part of the agreement
- Bulk discounts for students are no longer available

What you can expect from BCITO

We want to reassure you that BCITO will continue to offer the Gateway programme. Schools can continue to apply via phone or email. BCITO will also attend Career Expos where there is the opportunity to reach many students.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us:

Phone: **08004BCITO**
Email: **gateway@bcito.org.nz**

Ngā mihi,
Jason Hungerford



Chief Executive Officer - BCITO

WELCOME TO BCITO

We support trainees and apprentices across a number of industry sectors, including:

- ARCHITECTURAL ALUMINIUM JOINERY
- BRICK AND BLOCK LAYING
- CARPENTRY
- CONCRETE
- EXTERIOR PLASTERING
- FLOORING
- FRAME AND TRUSS FABRICATION
- GLASS AND GLAZING
- INTERIOR SYSTEMS
- JOINERY
- KITCHEN AND BATHROOM DESIGN
- PAINTING AND DECORATING
- RESIN FLOORING
- STONEMASONRY
- SUPERVISOR
- TILING

More information on each of these can be found on the BCITO website: **www.bcito.org.nz** or **www.bcito.org.nz/apprentices/careers**

The BCITO team is committed to working with the industry to maintain high standards in trade training. An essential part of this involves working with schools to ensure that we get the right students entering the industry as apprentices.

This includes

- developing strong relationships with local schools, students, and employers
- providing support for quality learning experiences
- introducing schools and students to BCITO and the range of training programmes available, including apprenticeships
- providing 'up to the minute' information to students and school leavers on training opportunities and career pathways.

What is 'Gateway'?

Gateway is a government initiative to provide structured workplace learning programmes for senior secondary school students (Years 11 and above). Being able to learn on the job helps equip students with skills needed for work.

Gateway provides employers with an opportunity to work with their local school and contribute to engaging and supporting youth into their industry.

Gateway provides students with opportunities to explore post-school options while still at school, to gain and apply skills in a workplace context, and to engage with people working in the industry.

BCITO wholeheartedly supports the Tertiary Education Commission's requirement that those receiving Gateway funding have the workplace learning integrated with each student's wider course of study.

Credits students achieve through their Gateway programme may support their apprenticeship pathway. Core building and construction skills gained through Gateway may be recognised and credited towards apprenticeships across a range of construction trades.

Who benefits from a BCITO gateway support Programme?



Students

Students who have a genuine interest in exploring a career in the building and construction industry should consider doing Gateway using a BCITO Gateway programme.

Because students will be physically active for each work placement day and face workplace hazards, all students working through a BCITO Gateway programme must:

- **have sufficient maturity**
- **be physically fit**
- **have good hand-eye coordination**
- **be able to follow instructions**
- **have good literacy and numeracy skills.**

Students' work placements must be of sufficient duration to allow them time to develop the skill and knowledge levels required of the relevant unit standards. They cannot complete the Gateway programme unless they can meet the same standards expected of those who gain them throughout the year as part of a subject.

If you are unsure if a student is suitable, please discuss this with your BCITO Training Advisor.

Employers

Gateway students experience work in your business. They must be supervised and a suitably qualified person must be able to provide them with guidance and help with what to do. The student's supervisor (who doesn't have to be the employer) will be asked to verify student's work and to attest to observing expected behaviours and activities.

Students will ideally be with the one employer throughout their programme. Your BCITO Training Advisor will talk you through what opportunities your Gateway student needs and support you to provide them.

Supporting learning and assessment

In any BCITO apprenticeship, learning is always supported by a person who has the appropriate trade knowledge and experience. It is important that the same support is in place for students doing a BCITO Gateway programme – a 'mini-apprenticeship' approach.

BCITO offers a Support and Assessment service for both BCITO Gateway (L2) and BCITO Gateway Advanced (L3). Gateway students supported by BCITO staff are introduced to BCITO 's assessment model and form a relationship with us that can carry on to their apprenticeship.

Support begins with a visit to the Gateway Co-ordinator and, ideally, student to discuss expectations. Resources to support the student's learning are ordered once the appropriate support programme has been confirmed and the Memorandum of Understanding signed.

Students then undertake their work placements and use BCITO resources to support their learning, with BCITO Training Advisors supporting them in a similar way to how apprentices are supported.

On-site visits are an important aspect. These allow the student to show and talk about the work they have done. The BCITO Training Advisor also collects information to support assessment decisions, gets feedback from the employer about the student, and provides guidance on what learning opportunities are next needed. On-site visits also provide opportunities to discuss other aspects that could help the student prepare for a successful post-school transition. Training Advisors are available via phone and email for support and guidance in between visits.

ASSESSMENT

Students are assessed against Building, Construction and Allied Trade Skills (BCATS) unit standards. Because some BCITO Gateway students may also be taking a school subject that uses BCATS standards, close working relationships between Gateway Co-ordinators and Technology/Construction teachers are encouraged.

The BCATS unit standards are designed to provide a solid base to prepare students well for success in their apprenticeship. A bonus is that, because apprenticeships are competency-based rather than time-based, students who successfully complete Gateway through BCITO should be in a good place to complete aspects of their apprenticeship faster than those who have not done so.

By the end of their programme, students should be in the best position possible for success in their Year 13 programme and/or apprenticeships in the building and construction sector.

myBCITO

myBCITO is an online way to keep a record of your work. With myBCITO you will be able to upload images, give descriptions of your work and share it with your Training Advisor.

You can complete quizzes and your assessment sheets within myBCITO.

Your Training Advisor will show you how to use myBCITO on their first visit.



Gateway support programmes

GATEWAY OPPORTUNITIES 2027

With the introduction of 'Skill Standards' just around the corner, we have decided not to make any significant changes to the Gateway programme for 2027. Instead, we will be taking the time to ensure that we make a positive difference in 2027.

However, for 2027, we are including an option for learners to explore some of our other industries. To do this we will be building a library of resources. From this library, your BCITO contact may be able to support learning in some of these other industries. On the following pages of this resource, you will find our standard Gateway courses, and the additional industry specific options we have available. If there is an industry that you would like to know more about that is not specifically listed, please contact your Gateway Training Advisor.

Note: If the industry specific learning is to be added to the standard course, then these will be charged at an extra cost. If it replaces learning, then there will be no additional charge.

Note: Industry specific courses, where possible, will be in a digital format, however, in some cases printed material will be the only option.

BCITO has three programmes to support students doing the Gateway programme. All are about **'real skills, real work, real life'.** BCITO's Gateway programmes are designed to enhance and focus the learning that will occur throughout the student's industry placement.

1. BCITO Gateway

The Level 2 BCATS unit standards within BCITO Gateway provide a mixture of theory and practical learning.

BCITO Gateway is suitable for students with the maturity to benefit from experiences gained in a workplace and who already have at least a familiarity with materials, tools, equipment and machinery likely to be encountered in their work placements.

BCITO GATEWAY - CORE

US#	TITLE	VERSION #	LEVEL	CREDITS
31511	Demonstrate knowledge of BCATS industries	1	2	4
12927	Demonstrate knowledge of, select, maintain and use hand tools for BCATS projects	5	2	6
24354	Demonstrate knowledge of health and safety legislation and apply safe working practices in a BCATS environment	3	2	4
24360	Demonstrate knowledge of timber and other construction materials used in BCATS projects	3	2	5
24357	Receive instructions and communicate information in relation to BCATS projects	3	2	4

Note: Please talk to your Training Advisor should you need to change any standards within BCITO Gateway. **TOTAL CREDITS:** 23

OPTIONAL STANDARDS The following standards can replace any of the standards above. Five standards in total should be completed.

US#	TITLE	VERSION #	LEVEL	CREDITS
22607	Read and interpret plans, working drawings, and specifications for BCATS projects	5	2	3
24350	Identify, use, and maintain portable power tools for BCATS projects	4	2	6
24353	Demonstrate knowledge of and create sketches for BCATS projects	4	2	5
24361	Apply mathematical processes to BCATS projects	4	2	3
24879	Demonstrate knowledge of concrete materials and the concrete production process	2	2	8

2. BCITO Gateway Advanced

BCITO Gateway Advanced is suitable for students who have already completed Level 2 BCATS or who can demonstrate equivalent skills, knowledge, and behaviours. Success is dependent on students already having a good base from which to grow these.

BCITO has two Gateway Advanced programmes.

BCITO GATEWAY ADVANCED - CARPENTRY

US#	TITLE	VERSION #	LEVEL	CREDITS
12997	Demonstrate knowledge of working safely in construction	5	3	3
24362	Demonstrate knowledge of documentation, working drawings and specifications for building work	2	3	3
24378	Make calculations for carpentry	2	3	4
32443	Demonstrate knowledge of tools and equipment used |for carpentry	1	3	9
13002	Demonstrate knowledge of timber use in construction	4	3	2
			TOTAL CREDITS:	21

Although titled Gateway Advanced – Carpentry, the first three standards listed (Safety, Plans and Calculations) contain learning that relates to other industries, these must be completed. Unit standard 32443 or 13002 can be replaced by one of the following standards if the work placement relates to the concrete or painting and decorating industries.

US#	TITLE	VERSION #	LEVEL	CREDITS
13010	Demonstrate knowledge of placing concrete	5	3	3
26571	Demonstrate knowledge of paint and it's application	3	3	10

BCITO GATEWAY ADVANCED - OTHER TRADES

US#	TITLE	VERSION #	LEVEL	CREDITS
29677	Follow safe workplace practices, and contribute to a health and safety culture, in a BCATS environment	3	3	2
29680	Communicate and work collaboratively in a Stage 3 BCATS project	3	3	5
29681	Measure and calculate for a Stage 3 BCATS project	3	3	3
29678	Demonstrate knowledge of, select, and use materials for a Stage 3 BCATS project	3	3	4
29682	Select, use, and maintain tools, equipment and machinery for a Stage 3 BCATS project	3	3	4
29683	Incorporate other building, construction and allied trades into a Stage 3 BCATS project schedule	3	3	2
			TOTAL CREDITS:	20

The BCITO Gateway Advanced – Other trades course is made up of Level 3 BCATS unit standards. These have been designed to fit within any of the 16 industries BCITO covers. The learner and BCITO's Gateway contact need to agree on a project. The project should meet expectations for industry work placements in the 'Guide for Level 3 BCATS Unit Standards' .

Project evidence recorded in the diary needs to reflect the tools, measurements, communication, safety requirements, and other trades used to undertake that project. An alternative diary is available on request that may help the learner to gather the required evidence.

PATHWAYS INTO INDUSTRY

The BCITO Gateway programmes can be the starting point for an exciting career in the construction industry.

Students will automatically be enrolled in myBCITO, an online learning platform for accessing resources and for uploading photos and descriptions to create an electronic portfolio.

They will also be able to communicate with their Training Advisor through the site. When they're ready for an apprenticeship they can call 0800 422 486 or register at: **www.BCITO.org.nz/lookingforwork.**

We may be able to put them in touch with employers that are hiring.

Gateway services and fees

BCITO offers the following services:

- signing your Gateway students into a BCITO Gateway Support and Assessment Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
- access to teaching and learning resources
- assessing against unit standards
- assisting you in getting to know your local industry employers
- helping students make career decisions
- introducing students to prospective employers when they leave school
- providing appropriate building and construction industry information for careers advisors.

The fees are a contribution to the costs associated with BCITO staff supporting Co-ordinators, students, and employers engaged in the programme.

GATEWAY PROGRAMMES#	FEE PER STUDENT (INCL GST)
BCITO GATEWAY	$500.00
BCITO GATEWAY ADVANCED – OTHER TRADES	$500.00
BCITO GATEWAY ADVANCED – CARPENTRY	$500.00

GATEWAY ADMINISTRATION

Schools are requested to sign and return a MoU with BCITO. BCITO Gateway Support and Assessment MoU sets out each party's obligations when placing a student into work-based learning, including arrangements for assessment.

BCITO's Gateway Support and Assessment MoU is available from your local Business Development or Training Advisor. The MoU:

- includes the required details for each BCITO Gateway student
- provides permission for the school to report unit standards assessed by BCITO
- outlines the rights and responsibilities of the school and BCITO's expectations of employers and students.

The school will be invoiced for the programme(s) indicated in the MoU.

CERTIFICATES

BCITO will provide a Certificate of Completion for each student listed on the MoU who successfully completes their BCITO Gateway programme.


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