

## AUTHENTIC LEARNING

Authentic Learning at Te Kura is an approach to learning that focuses on your passions and goals for life beyond school. It uses these as the basis for a learning plan that is unique to you.

You'll have the chance to work alongside adults in your field of interest and to build knowledge, understanding and skills in that area, as well as work towards a relevant qualification.

You may also have the opportunity to work with other students online and face to face.

NICOLE'S GATEWAY PLACEMENT AT A HORSE TRAINING BUSINESS HAS GIVEN HER THE CHANCE TO LEARN AND GET QUALIFICATIONS DOING SOMETHING SHE

LOVES.

“ I'M ABLE TO DO COMMUNITY COACHING THIS YEAR WHICH HAS GIVEN ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO START A CAREER. I ONLY HAVE TWO MORE COURSES AND THEN I'M A FULLY QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR. IT'S GIVEN ME A HEAD START AND A CLEAR IDEA WHERE TO GO FOR A CAREER. I MAKE BETTER DECISIONS NOW. ”



CHERITH WAS ONE OF THE **FIRST** TE KURA STUDENTS IN THE GATEWAY PROGRAMME, AND IS NOW **WORKING** AS A RELIEVER WITH NATURE BY NATURE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE IN KERIKERI.

“ SINCE BEING ON GATEWAY I HAVE ACHIEVED THE GOALS I SET MYSELF AND MADE GOOD DECISIONS TO BETTER MY FUTURE AND CAREER. I HAVE MET AND WORKED WITH SOME AWESOME PEOPLE. ”



“ I HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO TE TARI PUNA O AOTEAROA, WHERE I WILL STUDY FOR MY DIPLOMA TO BECOME AN EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER. ”

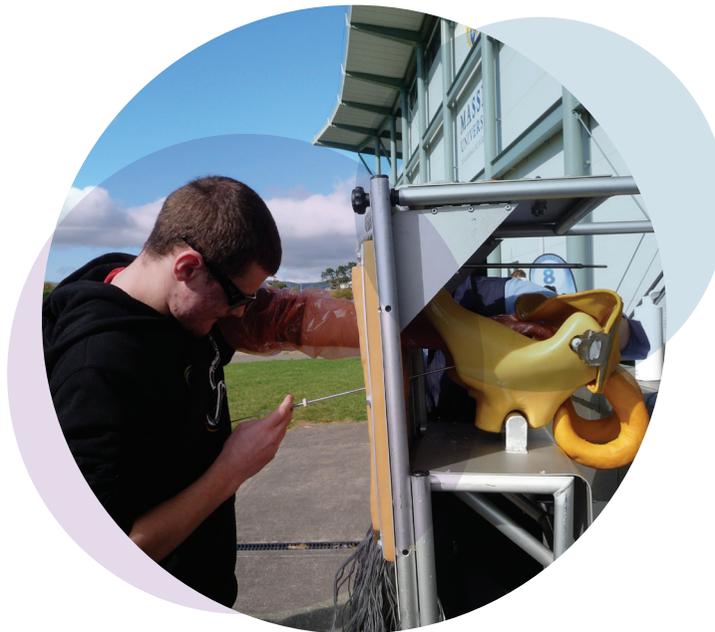
## LEARNING THROUGH INTERNSHIPS

Real life learning experiences, for example through an internship or Gateway placement, will be a key part of your learning plan. Learning this way will help you gain the knowledge and skills to go on to further study or to a job in your area of interest.

Your Te Kura learning advisor will help you to identify your interests and any opportunities in your community. Your internship or Gateway placement could be in a local business, voluntary or community organisation, sports club or marae.

You'll have a mentor who is an expert in that area of work who will support your learning. Your mentor may also work with you to develop a project for you to complete that will benefit the workplace you're in and will form part of your personalised learning plan.

CHRIS'S  
**PASSION**  
 IS CYCLING.  
 THROUGH A GATEWAY  
**PLACEMENT**  
 AT A BIKE SHOP  
 CHRIS WAS ABLE TO  
**WORK** WITH OTHER  
 BIKERS.



“ IT WAS FUN BUT ALSO HAD GOOD BENEFITS — I LEARNED SKILLS TO FIX BIKES AND ENABLED ME TO TALK MORE PROFESSIONALLY ABOUT BIKES. I ALSO LEARNED ABOUT SELLING THINGS AND BEING ABLE TO INFORM AND ASSIST PEOPLE IN THE SHOP. ”

**SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS** You'll be supported in your learning by your Te Kura learning advisor and your mentor, as well as your supervisor and whānau.

**WANT TO KNOW MORE?** Talk with your Te Kura learning advisor to see if Authentic Learning is right for you, or go to [www.tekura.school.nz](http://www.tekura.school.nz).

**REAL LIFE LEARNING AT TE KURA**

REAL LIFE, AUTHENTIC LEARNING FOR TE KURA STUDENTS