

Working

Finding work



Vic Careers (www.victoria.ac.nz/careers)

Friendly staff are keen to help you with your CV, interview preparation and other job hunting skills. Whether it's casual, part-time, summer or permanent work, they can assist you. Visit the Careers Resource Centre, check out their excellent website or, use your Student Computing Services (SCS) account to login and access Victoria CareerHub (<http://careerhub.victoria.ac.nz>)—it provides you with all you need to know about job vacancies and career events.

Kelburn Campus: 14 Kelburn Parade (Mon, Tues, Thu, Fri 9am–5pm, Wed 10.30am–5pm)

Pipitea Campus: Drop-in sessions are available. Phone 04-463 5393.

Student Job Search (SJS) (www.sjs.co.nz)

SJS helps students find work. Enrol on the website and have a look at their job advertisements. Job offers come in from employers all the time and your chances of finding a job are better if you check the advertisements regularly.

Minimum wage is \$13 per hour. If you are receiving the student allowance you can work up to 15 hours on minimum wage before you reach the maximum allowed earnings of \$203.13 per week before tax.

IRD Tax Codes

GROSS PAY = before tax NET PAY = take home pay
To see how much you will get after tax go to www.ird.govt.nz
and search for 'PAYE calculator'

The code behind tax codes

- M stands for 'Main' income. You can only have one job (or allowance) with an M code.
- S stands for 'Secondary' income. All incomes besides your M one will have an S code.
- SL stands for 'Student Loan' and means that some of your pay may go to the IRD to pay off your Student Loan. If your total gross earnings for the year are over \$19,084, you will be required to make some repayment of your Student Loan.

So if you get a Student Allowance, it will use the M code, and any part-time work you get will use an S code.

If you don't get an Allowance, you should use an M code for your highest paying job. If you have more than one job, you should use S codes for the others.

If you have a student loan you will have to use SL with your tax code, ie. MSL, SSL.

Student finance advisers are happy to help you estimate your taxable income and decide which tax code to use. See the back cover for contact details.

