

**Curriculum Goals:**

The Kaitiaki Leadership Programme will build adventure skills and conservation knowledge, from both Western and te āo Māori perspectives, across 9 days of multi-activity expeditions. A focus of this programme will be on conservation and kaitiakitanga, including predator trapping and control. Activities will include the opportunity to contribute to existing conservation projects which allow students to develop an understanding of environmental management practices and the technical and personal skills required to effectively participate in field-based environmental programmes. Students will explore the wilderness of Te Taihu – Top of the South Island, a perfect platform to build up conservation awareness and an understanding of kaitiakitanga principles in environmental management of these sites. Please note: specific activities can vary depending on the time of year and weather conditions.

Underpinning the curriculum is the development of crucial personal and social development skills transferable to any vocational pathway.

**Programme Delivery:**

This course is delivered in a 9 day/8 night residential block format.

Proposed Dates for 2024: 1 – 9 October (school holidays).

Further course information can be found on the Whenua Iti Outdoors website: [www.whenuaiti.org.nz](http://www.whenuaiti.org.nz)

Please note: final funding for this programme is yet to be confirmed. Dates and costs (if any) will be advised prior to the course start date.

**Personal and Social Development Objectives:**

- Increasing willingness to learn
- Understanding and assuming personal responsibility
- Developing belief in self and increasing confidence
- Developing a positive attitude
- Recognising and developing potential
- Developing resilience skills (coping with challenge and change)
- Developing positive communication skills

**Learning Objectives:**

- Prepare for the trapping of rural pest animals
- Set traps, and place baits and lures for rural pest animal control
- Check traps and clear them of pest animals and non-target species, and process, and store or dispose of carcasses
- Clean, store and maintain equipment and materials, and records.
- Contribute within a team or group which has an objective

**Assessment**

Unit No	Title	Level	Credits	Version
9681	Contribute within a team or group which has an objective	3	3	8
29338	Prepare and use traps to control rural pest animals	3	10	2

**Total NZQF Credits** **13**

<b>Method of Assessment</b> Assessment will include:	<b>Requirement for Successful Completion</b> To successfully complete the course, the student must:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Practical demonstrations</li><li>• Workbook completion</li><li>• Oral presentations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Successfully complete a minimum of 10 credits</li><li>• Attend a minimum of 7 days/6 overnights</li></ul>