

## **University of Canterbury – Graduate Certificate in Public Safety with major in Search & Rescue**

The University of Canterbury is offering a Graduate Certificate in Public Safety with a major in Search and Rescue.

The compulsory courses in the Certificate provide an introduction to public safety doctrine, lessons learning systems, accountability and ethics in public safety, leadership, incident command systems, science of search and rescue, technical disciplinary standards and case studies. Elective courses offer students choice in topics that target their professional development aims and personal interests.

Entry requirements are bachelors/baccalaureate or associates degree or an approved qualification and sufficient background, qualifications or experience in SAR or public safety.

### **Programme Structure**

The GradCertPubS(SAR) is a 60-credit qualification, there are three 300 level (third year of university) level courses totaling 45 credits, Public Safety Doctrine, Science of Search & Rescue and Current Issues in Search & Rescue. The remaining 15 credits are selected from a schedule of courses at the 100, 200 and 300 levels. The only course that requires attendance at a short one week block course is (PUBS301) Public Safety Doctrine, which is offered at a number of international locations (typically including the US) on an annual basis. The remainder of the course can be taken by distance/online. An optional academic skills workshop is provided following the PUBS301 block course to support students.

Duration: 1-2 years part time. Distance/Online mode with block course(s).

### **Papers**

Compulsory:

- Public Safety Doctrine
- Science of Search & Rescue
- Current Issues in Search & Rescue

Plus one further elective paper from:

- Independent Study in Public Safety
- Special Topic (cohort)
- *Other papers from outside the schedule may be taken with approval*

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