

Why You Should Become a Student Member of the NZIFST

FAQs

What is the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technologists (NZIFST)?

The New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology Incorporated (NZIFST) is New Zealand's society for food industry professionals, benefiting members and the community through the development and promotion of technical proficiency, ethical practices and communications.

The NZIFST has a membership of over 1100 food professionals. Members include those working in all aspects of food production and processing such as product development, nutrition, microbiology, chemistry, sensory science, marketing, regulation, quality assurance and control, operations management, engineering and research. Our members work for a wide range of New Zealand Food and/or Beverage companies who produce, process or supply foods or food ingredients; or for Universities, Crown Research Institutes or Governmental Departments. NZIFST provides a valuable professional link between the many varied food and beverage related disciplines.

Am I eligible for STUDENT Membership?

Any student enrolled full time in a food science/technology/engineering course at a tertiary institution in New Zealand can join the NZIFST as a STUDENT Member; unless you are an Under/Post-graduate student undertaking the study as part of an employment contract or graduate programme - then you must apply for "Standard" membership.

What are the Benefits of NZIFST Student Membership?

- You may attend Branch Meetings, Seminars and Conferences, where you will have the opportunity to increase your professional knowledge and to make contact with others employed in the New Zealand Food and Beverage Industry.
- Students get **significant discounts** on NZIFST seminars and conference fees.
- Student members will receive the Institute's journal, **Food New Zealand**, published 7 times per year
- Student members will receive the NZIFST e-newsletter, **NZIFST Nibbles**, published fortnightly
- Students are eligible to compete for **student prizes** at the NZIFST Annual Conference.
- Students will have full access to the **members' only area** on the NZIFST web site containing an expanded range of information and services including a resource library, references, regulatory updates and discussion forum.
- Student members are eligible for **Graduate Membership** – this is a full "Standard" membership for one year after graduation but at the low student membership fee.
- Student members may **advertise for summer work FREE** on the NZIFST website.

The Institute's web site, www.nzifst.org.nz, contains the latest information on up-coming events, opportunities for students and job vacancies as well as the history and goals of the Institute.

What does it cost & how long is my membership for?

Until 31 December 2009, Students pay only \$37.50 (incl GST) from when you join until 31st March the next year. However, students joining at the end of the second semester will guarantee their membership for up to 18 months. After 1 January 2010, pay only \$40.00 (incl GST)

Student membership is only available on an annual basis. To ensure continuity of your membership while you are a student, you must re-apply at the commencement of each University year.

What are my responsibilities as a STUDENT Member?

To obtain membership, students are required to acknowledge that they will abide by the NZIFST Code of Ethics. A copy of the full code of ethics is available from our web-site. In summary, the code states that Members of the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology shall uphold the dignity, standing and reputation of their profession and of the Institute with consumers, industry, government, and society by working to ensure Public Health and Safety, by not acting in a fraudulent or deceptive manner; by ensuring that all products, services or information they provide are lawful, accurate and meaningfully presented; and by acting in a manner which will preserve and enhance the reputation of the industry and the Institute.

Where can I get more information?

Contact our fantastic FST Student Liaison officer, Charlotte Leong (email ph 021 241 9809, email charlotte.leong@tegel.co.nz)
OR visit our website (www.nzifst.org.nz) ;
OR contact your lecturer;
OR contact the NZIFST Executive Manager, Rosemary Hancock (phone 06 356 1686, email rosemary@nzifst.org.nz)

**To apply for STUDENT membership please complete the application form over page
and return it with your payment**

Application for Student Membership

Until 31 March 2011

Return this application to: **NZIFST Executive Manager,**
PO Box 5574, Terrace End
PALMERSTON NORTH 4441.

Fax 06 356 1687, Phone 06 356 1686, Email rosemary@nzifst.org.nz

- The information on this form will become part of the Institute database, but will remain confidential to the Institute. Information will only be made available to NZIFST officers for purposes associated with your membership status and professional development.

SECTION A – PERSONAL DETAILS

Title (Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss) Last Name

First Names..... Preferred First Name

ADDRESS you wish information to be sent to while studying:

Street / PO Box Suburb

City..... Post Code.....

Phone ()..... Fax ()..... Mobile ().....

Email

YOUR ALTERNATE ADDRESS (e.g. family/home) for use during the summer break:

Street / PO Box Suburb

City..... Post Code.....

Phone ()..... Fax ()..... Mobile ().....

Email

Confirmation of Enrolment:

Faculty / Dept Institution.....

Degree / Diploma..... Stage / Year.....

Name of Lecturer..... Lecturer's Signature.....

SECTION B – RULES & ETHICS DECLARATION (All applicants must sign)

I, the undersigned declare the information given with this application to be correct. I undertake, if admitted, to abide by the Rules, and strictly uphold the Code of Ethics, of the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology Inc.

Please refer to the CODE OF ETHICS on our website (www.nzifst.org.nz) or request a hard copy.

Signature.....Name.....Date.....

SECTION C – STUDENT MEMBERSHIP FEES through to 31 March 2011 – **payment must accompany application**

Join before 31 December 2009, Fee = \$37.50 (incl GST). Join after 01 January 2010, Fee = \$40.00 (incl GST)

Amount enclosed: \$.....

Method of payment (please tick one): Cheque attached VISA Mastercard Internet transfer to NZIFST
a/c 01-0542-0148886-000

My credit card number is: _____ / _____ Expiry date ____ / ____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____