DIPLOMA IN PROFESSIONAL SCUBA INSTRUCTION

Schedule:	February 2012 - December 2012
Location:	Dunedin
Qualifications included:	PADI Open Water Diver PADI Advanced Open Water Diver PADI Rescue Diver PADI Divemaster PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor 5 Specialty Instructor Ratings Basic First Aid
Number of Dives:	Minimum of 100 Open Water Dives
Learning options:	1 Year full-time study
Domestic fee:	$ 12,876
Accreditation:	NZQA Student Loan and Allowance Approved (for eligible students)
Prerequisites:	PADI RSTC Diving Medical (signed by an approved diving doctor) 18 years of age

The Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction is designed to train and prepare students for a career in the dive industry. This full year full time course will take you from a beginner diver through to a PADI Specialty Instructor. This is the highest instructor rating that you can obtain without actually working in the dive industry.

First you will learn to dive, start participating in the adventure based diving activities such as deep, boat, night, navigation, wreck and then progress through to Rescue Diver. You then move into the professional side of diving, starting with the Divemaster portion of your course. It is here you begin to learn dive leadership and enhance your dive knowledge to a professional level. Once a qualified Divemaster you will complete the Instructor Development Course where you will learn how to teach everything up to and including Divemaster. After successfully completing a PADI Instructor Examination you become a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor and go on to gain 5 Instructor Specialty ratings

EMPLOYMENT OPORTUNITIES

Dive Otago Graduates are highly sought after dive professionals both here in New Zealand and overseas. Because of the high quality of our training, companies often approach us, specifically seeking to employ recent Dive Otago graduates. The current employment rate is around 70%, with students being employed all over the world. Past graduates have worked in NZ, Australia, The Pacific Islands, Dubai, Mexico and many other countries. This internationally recognized credential allows you to deliver PADI dive training in over 180 countries and territories worldwide.

CAREER PATHS

This course will not only give you everything you need to become a professional dive instructor but it will also open doors to other amazing underwater careers. The Diploma will give you invaluable dive experience that will advance your prospects in the following areas and many more. Careers outside the recreational dive industry will often require additional specialized training.

- Underwater Photographer/Videographer
- Marine Science Research Diver
- Dive Centre Operator
- Dive Shop Retail Manager

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- Commercial Diver (underwater welding etc.)
- Oil Industry
- Police Diving
- Navy Diving

PROGRAMME INCLUDES

- Expert tuition – From some of New Zealand's most experienced tertiary dive tutors
- PADI certification fees (Open Water diver to Specialty Instructor)
- All required PADI training materials (listed in the disclosure document)
- Minimum of 100 dives (most students complete 120 dives with us during the year)
- Tank hire and fills for scheduled dive days
- Use of BCD and regulator for scheduled dive days
- Pool use (unlimited once OW certified)
- Free transport to and from dive sites
- Accommodation and dives during off-site trip
- Dive Practicum (Experience the best of South Island diving)

PADI CERTIFICATIONS GAINED

OPEN WATER DIVER
You learn the skills to dive safely. On successful completion you will be certified to dive to a maximum depth of 18m anywhere in the world independent of an instructor.

ADVANCED OPEN WATER DIVER
You will complete at least 5 adventure dives and gain experience in many different types of diving including: deep, boat, night, search and recovery, underwater naturalist, wreck etc. On completion you will be certified to dive to a maximum depth of 40m.

BASIC FIRST AID
Learn how to provide basic first aid for life threatening conditions. Learn common first aid conditions and how to respond to them

RESCUE DIVER
Learn to deal with everything from a minor cramp in your leg to responding to an unconscious, non-breathing diver underwater.

DIVEMASTER
Develop your diving leadership abilities by expanding your knowledge to a professional level, and by training you to supervise diving activities and assist with divers in training.

PADI OPEN WATER SCUBA INSTRUCTOR
The Instructor Development portion or this course is where you will learn how to teach everything up to and including Divemaster. After successfully completing an Instructor examination you become a PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor and go on to earn 5 Instructor Specialty ratings.

UNIT STANDARDS

FIRST AID	
Provide first aid for life threatening conditions	26551
Demonstrate knowledge of common first aid conditions and how to respond to them	26552
WORK AND STUDY SKILLS	
Produce a CV	504
Produce a targeted resume	4252
OUTDOOR RECREATION	
Access and compare weather information	20159
Demonstrate knowledge of weather processes	20160
Manage risk for an outdoor activity	451
Assist in adventure based learning activities	468
Facilitate adventure programmes for the personal and social development of the participants	24665
Demonstrate basic risk management	20146
DIVING – RECREATIONAL	
Learn to Scuba Dive	4384
Navigate underwater	4385
Perform diver rescues	4387
Night dives	4388
Underwater search and recovery	4393
Deep dives between 18-40 m	4398
DIVING – INSTRUCTIONAL	
Fill dive cylinders	4405
Instruct specialist dive courses	8270
Supervise and control diving operations	8273
Instruct recreational divers in the open water	8274
Instruct rescue diving courses	8275
Instruct clients to supervise dive operations	8276
Instruct underwater navigation	8277
Instruct Computer Aided Diving	8278
Instruct night dives	8279
Instruct search and recovery dives	8283
Instruct altitude dives	8285
Instruct wreck diving	8286
Instruct deep diving	8288
Instruct marine species identification	8290
Instruct hunting and collecting	8291
Instruct diving off boats	8292
Instruct diving off the shore	8293
Instruct oxygen administration courses	8294
Instruct snorkel diving	8296
Plan, Coordinate and Lead dive based adventure trip local	
Select, use, Repair and Maintain Equipment	
Lead Tourist Group to known destination and report.	

FEES

$12,866 for New Zealand citizens and residents
$22,051 + Agents Fee for International Students

New Zealand residents and citizens may apply for a student loan to cover the Diploma fees. Students can also apply for living allowances and course related costs of up to $1000 to meet the cost of equipment.
+ $2,995 for the National Certificate in Medic First Aid Instruction – concurrent enrolment with your Diploma

EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Dive Otago will provide dive tanks and hardware for timetabled pool and ocean dives.

You are required to supply the following:

- Semidry Wetsuit or Dry suit
- Mask, Snorkel and Fins
- Gloves and boots
- Weight belt and weights
- Dive knife
- Torch x 2
- Pocket mask
- Slate and pencil
- Safety sausage
- Whistle

Dive Otago Shop
Our state-of-the-art retail outlet is packed with all the latest dive gear and expert advice to help you make sensible, informed choices. We can put together tailored packages to suit your individual diving needs and budget. A special Tertiary package including all the required equipment above has been put together and will cost around $1500-$2000. Our Tertiary students are also offered finance and lay by options for purchasing their own hardware packages.

ABOUT THE PRE-REQUISUITES

- PADI Medical (RSTC) completed and signed by a sanctioned diving Doctor (see Broadway medical center opposite)
- 18 years old prior to the start of Divemaster
- Medic First Aid Instructor certification is required prior to PADI issuing your Instructor certification. (We will supply this certification as stated above)

HOW TO ENROL

- Make an appointment with the Tertiary Team for an interview and to complete an application
- Bring Passport or Birth Certificate (i.e. proof of NZ Citizenship)
- Bring Inland Revenue Department (IRD) Number
- Bring Bank Account Number

Key Contacts:

Study Link Dunedin location
Cnr Castle and St Andrew Streets
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Why PADI?

PADI is the world's largest and most respected scuba diving training organization. PADI Divers carry the most sought after scuba credentials in the world. No matter where you choose to dive, your PADI scuba certification card will be recognized and accepted. With more than 6,000 PADI Dive Shops and Resorts operating in more than 180 countries and territories, you will likely find a PADI Scuba Instructor who can speak your language and offer you a comfortable learning experience.

If you chose to go on to PADI Professional certification courses such as Divemaster or Instructor (see our Leadership or Diploma Programmes), the PADI PRO Membership you will gain will give you access to jobs advertised in PADI Dive Centres in New Zealand and all over the world.

GRADUATE STORIES

Matt Pearson - Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction
"One of the best decisions I have ever made."

At the start of 2010 I thought that I needed a little excitement in my life so I decided to enrol in the 36 week Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction course at Dive Otago in Dunedin. This turned out to be one of the best decisions I have ever made.

I entered the course having zero experience at all; I was even almost afraid of the sea and had only ever been snorkelling a few times in my life. Within a few weeks from the start of the course I had already racked up over ten open water dives and had achieved my first certification as a PADI Open Water Diver and loved it! During the course we were taken on a weeklong diving trip to Milford Sound. We did 3 dives a day everyday among some of the most amazing underwater scenery on earth. There were dolphins that came and checked us out for almost half an hour at one stage, there was a crazy amount of crayfish in the cracks and under rocks (some of which were lucky enough to become dinner) and during our surface intervals we went free diving and spear fishing to find some tasty fillets for tea.

We were taught all about the diving hardware and how to maintain and service most of it; First Aid right through to the level of a First Aid Instructor; Rescue diving and under water navigation; these among others were only some of the skills that greatly enhanced my confidence and abilities to dive as well as standing out from the others when I eventually applied for a diving job in the Whitsunday islands of Australia.

Within 4 weeks of graduating as a PADI Open Water Scuba Specialty Instructor I had acquired a job taking people out on 3 or 4 day sailing cruises taking clients diving all through the world renowned Whitsunday Islands and Great Barrier reef – DREAM JOB – Doing nothing but diving in 30 degree water with turtles and huge tropical fish while hanging out with a whole bunch of different exciting new people. If you are looking for a change then head to Dive Otago and sign up for the Instructor Course. I highly recommend it!

Anthea Ibell - Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction
Current Australasian Rolex Scholar 2011/2012

I am currently on an experienced based underwater scholarship called the Rolex Our-World Underwater Australasian Scholarship (owussaustralasia.org). I aim to undertake a multitude of projects within the marine biology and underwater archaeology fields. Prior to the scholarship I completed my Diploma at Dive Otago in 2008. Since then I instructed part time while studying toward a Bachelor of Science in Zoology at Otago University, with a Minor in Archaeology.

Lauren Bawden - Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction

I am currently working for Pro Dive Cairns as a 5-day instructor. I spend two days based in Cairns where I teach the Theory, Open Water sessions and the Confined water pool sessions. After the two days in pool and classroom I spend three days/two nights on a live aboard on the outer Great Barrier Reef. In those three days we teach the open water sessions and also offer the adventure course with deep and night adventure dives along with another adventure dive of there choice. Along with instructor duties on the boat also help out with deckhand duties such as mooring the boat, driving the rescue tender etc. so I have learnt a lot of new skills as well.

The diving is fantastic each dive seem to find something new. Often see on a regularly bases turtles, grey reef sharks, white tip reef sharks, barracuda, moray eels, stingrays and nemo of course. Some of the other instructors have been lucky enough to see manta rays. It is just start of whale season with our skipper spotting a humpback on Sunday. They also tell me minke whales come in very close to the reef as well. Water temp is a tropical 25-degree, when I started in Feb it was 27 degree (I think I am getting a bit soft 25deg is starting to feel a little cold, who would of thought!). Visibility on average is 10-20 meters.

Pro Dive is a great company to work for they teach course all year round, so the work is consistent. They have a very strong reputation and maintain a high standard of safety. When I started in February I was very new to the industry so they paired me with some of the experience 5 day instructors and I got to shadow them for a while helping out with Open Water courses and advanced courses, which was a great way to get into it. Overall I am having a blast teaching people to dive, enjoying putting the skills I learnt at Dive Otago to use.