

considered as professional schools; a condition of entrance is the passing of the Matriculation Examination, and attendance at some at least of the courses at the University colleges is compulsory, even for those students who do not take the full course for a degree. Further, on each Board of Advice of a training college one member is a representative of the Professorial Board of the University College, and the Principal of the Training College is, in every case, the professor or lecturer in education at the University college.

Including the training colleges, and counting the professional schools as distinct from the affiliated institutions, we may say that there are in New Zealand fourteen public institutions for higher or professional education.

[In addition, there are certain other institutions for professional education which are endowed private or otherwise, and are chiefly concerned with the training of theological students, many of whom also appear on the books of the affiliated institutions.]

At the four colleges of the University there were in all 1,493 students attending lectures during the year 1908—namely, 888 men and 605 women; of these, 1,162 (698 men and 464 women) were matriculated students, graduates or undergraduates, and the rest were unmatriculated. The full numbers at the several colleges are given in Table M, which also shows the number of exempted students—that is, students who are prevented by the necessity of earning their living or by distance from a college from attending lectures, and are allowed to keep terms, except in certain science and professional subjects, by passing the annual college examination.

TABLE M.—STUDENTS ON THE BOOKS OF THE AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS.

Number of Students, 1908.	Auckland University College.	Victoria College.	Canterbury College.	Otago University.
I. Attending lectures (whether terms were kept or not).—				
(1.) Matriculated students,—				
(a.) Graduates,—				
Men	9	15	19	18
Women	4	14	6	5
Total graduates attending lectures	13	29	25	23
(b.) Undergraduates,—				
Men	122	195	137	183
Women	78	131	131	95
Total undergraduates attending lectures	200	326	268	278
(c.) All matriculated students, (a) and (b).—				
Men	131	210	156	201
Women	82	145	137	100
Total matriculated students attending lectures	213	355	293	301
(2.) Non-matriculated students,—				
Men	50	56	49	35
Women	77	22	39	3
Total non-matriculated students attending lectures	127	78	88	38
(3.) All students attending lectures (1) and (2).—				
Men	181	266	205	236
Women	159	167	176	103
Total all students attending lectures	340	433	381	339
II. Exempt students not attending lectures, not included above,—				
Men	12	60	5	26
Women	3	32	1	2
Total exempt students	15	92	6	28
III. Total all students I and II,—				
Men	193	326	210	262
Women	162	199	177	105
Grand total all students	355	525	387	367
1,634				