



Curtin AHEAD

HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR DEGREE

Depending on your long-term and short-term career goals, there may be a number of degree options available to you. This handout is designed to give you some information on how to choose the best degree for you.

BEFORE YOU START

If you aren't sure where to start or where you would like your career to take you, you might like to start thinking about what you would like to achieve both in the short-term and in the long-term. What are your goals?

If you don't know if you're eligible for university entrance, you can speak to the Future Students Team at the university of your choice to find out your options.



INSPIRATIONS & ASPIRATIONS

People who choose a degree based on their skills, abilities and interests are more likely to stick with their degree to the end.

If you study a degree that reflects your inspirations and aspirations, you're more likely to put in more time and effort, have more confidence and get better grades.



recent graduates

Speak to recent graduates about their career journey and what opportunities their degree has created for them.

graduateopportunities.com

degree co-ordinator

A Degree Co-ordinator will be able to provide insight into what you will be learning and the level of academic commitment required.

employers

Employers will give you an insight into real world education requirements and what they look for when they recruit.

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admissions




Speak to University Admissions to find useful information on the educational requirements you need to enter into a specific degree.

career counsellors

Speak to a Career Counsellor about your options. A Career Counsellor will be able to assist you to discover your interests, occupational pathways and links to the best degree for you.

carecentre.dtwd.wa.gov.au

Reasons university students discontinue their degree

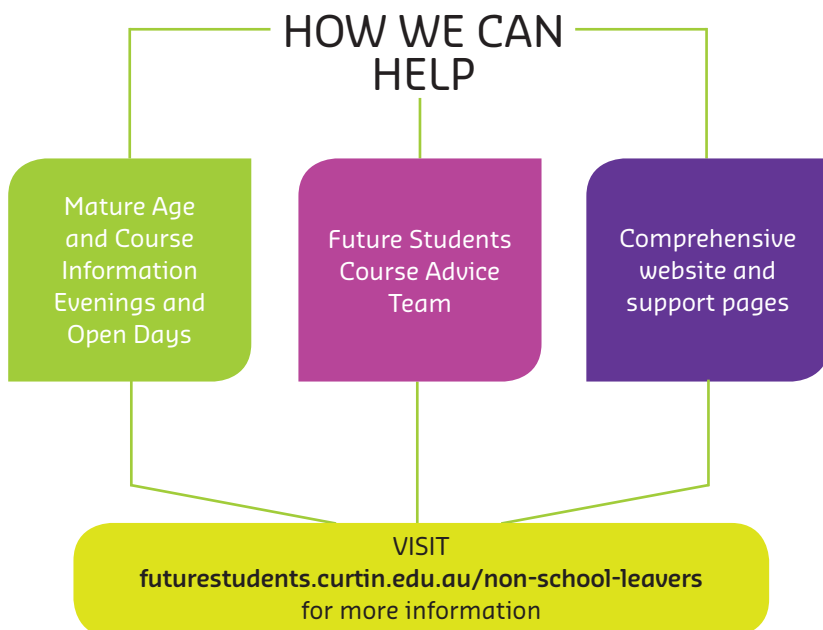
-  Degree does not match career goals
-  Degree does not match expectation and interests
-  Other



Number of students who withdrew from their course



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SOME TIPS

- Choose a degree based on your interests, skills and abilities
- Find out as much information as you can before making a decision
- If you are not sure what you want to do or can't decide between degrees, seek professional career advice
- If you change your mind in the future, it's ok. It's important to keep your options open as well as take steps to move in a positive direction
- There are options available if you cannot get into the degree you want