Where will your future take you?

An introductory guide to Notre Dame

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Choosing a university course to study can be overwhelming, especially if you’re unsure about your career path.

The right career for you is one that you will find meaningful and rewarding; one that will utilise your talents, build on your interests and teach you new skills.

This guide is intended to help you start thinking about the university course that will lead you to your dream career. It will enable you to focus on subjects you’re passionate about, take you through the courses you’re likely to enjoy and open the door to a range of career options to consider.

Notre Dame follows the tradition and practices of Catholic higher education which has offered leadership in university education for centuries. We are committed to personalised education, underpinned by pastoral care and support for all of our students.

For further information about courses and careers, and how Notre Dame can assist you on the road to a university education, contact our Prospective Students Office on +61 2 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au

Please refer to the 2017 Undergraduate Course Guide for more information - nd.edu.au/applynow
11 reasons to make Notre Dame your first choice.

For nine consecutive years, graduates have rated Notre Dame 5 stars in the categories of: Teaching Quality, Generic Skills and Overall Graduate Satisfaction. Notre Dame was also awarded 5 stars for: Getting a Full-time Job and Graduate Starting Salary in the 2016 Good Universities Guide.

Ease into uni life with a vibrant social scene and extensive support networks

79.5% of graduates employed upon graduation - that's 8% higher than the national average#

Our Logos Programme encourages you to explore challenging questions, while reflecting on your own personal experiences.

Easy access to lecturers with current industry experience

Our unique application process considers more than just your ATAR

Our internships practicum and clinical placements help you work toward your dream job

No up-front fees with HECS and FEE-HELP. HECS-HELP places available (subject to course)

Convenient inner city locations at Broadway and Darlinghurst

See the world and get your degree with our ‘In the World and for the World’ program

9 out of 10 current students would recommend Notre Dame to a friend*

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#2013 Graduate Destination Survey

*Notre Dame Student Survey, Excalibre, 2012
### Bachelor’s Degree
A degree from university, which is usually three or four years in duration. A bachelor’s degree is usually the first level of university study e.g. Bachelor of Commerce.

### Census Date
The date on which student contribution amounts (or tuition fees) are incurred. This is also the last day on which you can withdraw from units before you incur a financial penalty.

### Defer
When you gain permission from the Dean of the School to delay the start of your course for a fixed period, which is usually six months or one year.

### Enrol
Formally register to undertake one or more units (subjects) within a program of study. You must enrol each semester in the units you wish to undertake.

### Lecture
A formal presentation by an academic staff member, usually to a large number of students. Opportunities for asking questions or discussing the material being presented are generally limited. Lectures usually run for two or three hours.

### Major
A group of subjects (usually eight) that makes up an area of study within an undergraduate degree, e.g. Bachelor of Arts, majoring in English Literature.

### Minor
A second area of focus on a student’s graduation certificate (testamur) usually six units of study.

### School
The faculty into which you are enrolling, e.g. the School of Business.

### Semester
The academic year is divided into two semesters of 13 weeks for most courses. Some units may be run outside of these times, e.g. subjects that are run intensively, or Summer and Winter terms.

### Tutorial
A tutorial is a small class in which students discuss key topics, concepts and ideas with their tutors. Students prepare for tutorials by reading required material and attending lectures.

### Undergraduate student
A student who is undertaking their first university degree and has yet to graduate. Undergraduate degrees are those courses which are available to first time university students, e.g. a Bachelor’s degree.

### Unit
May also be known as a subject. Full-time students normally complete four units each semester (or eight units per year).
Core Curriculum

Notre Dame’s Core Curriculum, the Logos Programme, is designed to help students develop their critical thinking and ethical decision making skills. Drawing on a rich variety of real-life situations, the Logos Programme encourages students to explore challenging questions, while reflecting on their own personal experiences.

The Logos Programme is delivered in a series of three modules, each comprising of a number of dynamic and interactive classes. Students from all disciplines come together in Logos classes to experience life-transforming discussions and debates that enrich them socially, professionally and personally.
I love to tell a good story

Useful HSC subjects to take*

Drama
English
Society and Culture

Career paths

Foreign Correspondent
Bachelor of Communications and Media
(Journalism)

Film Director
Bachelor of Communications and Media
(Film and Screen Production)

Novelist
Bachelor of Arts
(English Literature)

Script Writer
Bachelor of Arts
(Film and Screen Production)

Television Producer
Bachelor of Communications & Media
(Film and Screen Production)

*Please check with your school Careers Advisor

To tell a story nd.edu.au/story
Career paths

**Actor**
Bachelor of Arts (Theatre Studies)

**Anthropologist**
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)

**Brand Manager**
Bachelor of Commerce (Marketing)

**Copywriter**
Bachelor of Arts (English Literature/Advertising)

**Creative Director**
Bachelor of Advertising and Public Relations

**Historian**
Bachelor of Arts (History)

**Sociologist**
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)

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Useful HSC subjects to take*

- Ancient History
- Drama
- English
- Modern History
- Society and Culture
- Visual Arts

To create
nd.edu.au/create
Career paths

Accountant
Bachelor of Accounting

Actuary
Bachelor of Arts (Mathematics)

Business Analyst
Bachelor of Commerce (Finance)

Economist
Bachelor of Commerce (Economics)

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Useful HSC subjects to take*

Business Studies
Economics
English
Mathematics

To crunch numbers nd.edu.au/numbers
I want to help people

Career paths

Health Promoter
Bachelor of Arts (Applied Psychology)

Medical Practitioner
Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery (Graduate Entry) ^

Nurse Administrator
Bachelor of Nursing

Registered Nurse
Bachelor of Nursing

Welfare Advocate
Bachelor of Arts (Social Justice)

Useful HSC subjects to take*

Biology
Chemistry
Community & Family Studies
English
Mathematics
PDHPE
Physics
Society and Culture

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^Entry to this course requires a completed three year Bachelor degree

to help others nd.edu.au/help
I want to be a leader

Career paths

**Barrister**
Bachelor of Laws

**Hotel Manager**
Bachelor of Commerce
(Hospitality Management)

**International Diplomat**
Bachelor of Arts
(Politics and International Relations)

**Marketing and Events Manager**
Bachelor of Marketing and Public Relations

**Politician**
Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Arts
(Politics and International Relations)

Useful HSC subjects to take*

- Economics
- English
- History
- Legal Studies

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To lead

[nd.edu.au/leader](nd.edu.au/leader)
Useful HSC subjects to take*
Community and Family Studies
English (Advanced for secondary teaching)
History
Legal Studies
Studies of Religion

Career paths

Childcare Worker
Bachelor of Education (Birth to Twelve)

Criminal Profiler
Bachelor of Arts (Applied Psychology)

Journalist
Bachelor of Communications and Media (Journalism)

Pastoral Counsellor
Bachelor of Theology

Recruiter
Bachelor of Human Resource Management

Teacher
Bachelor of Education

Youth Worker
Bachelor of Philosophy
Bachelor of Arts (Applied Psychology)

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I love to connect with people

To connect  nd.edu.au/connect
I want to inspire others

Useful HSC subjects to take*
- Community and Family Studies
- English
- Legal Studies
- Mathematics
- Society and Culture
- Studies of Religion

Career paths

Entrepreneur
Bachelor of Commerce

Human Rights Activist
Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts (Politics and Journalism)

International Aid Worker
Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy)

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To inspire
nd.edu.au/inspire
I want to know how the world works.

To explore the world, visit nd.edu.au/world

Career paths

Community Development
Bachelor of Arts (Applied Psychology)

International Diplomacy
Bachelor of Philosophy
Bachelor of Arts (Politics & International Relations)

Policy Development
Bachelor of Philosophy/Bachelor of Theology

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Useful HSC subjects to take*

- English
- History
- Society and Culture
- Studies of Religion
Believe it or not, university is not all about studying; a combination of work and play make uni the experience of a lifetime!

Notre Dame offers a range of clubs and societies that you can get involved in, or you may want to spend some of your time studying overseas!

Community

Notre Dame's aim is to provide a well-rounded education which includes the physical, intellectual and spiritual development of each student. The University provides a range of student services and clubs, including:

- Academic support programs
- Careers advice
- Chaplaincy
- Counselling services and equity support
- Peer mentoring programs
- Recreation clubs
- Sporting teams

Experience

The Notre Dame education experience stems from a liberal arts tradition, which means, Philosophy and Theology form part of our curriculum. As a Notre Dame student you will undertake these units through the Logos Programme, which allows you to tailor your subjects to your professional interests. You also have access to various programs that will enhance your university experience, such as ‘Experience the World’, ‘Study Abroad’ and other social justice and outreach programs.

Chaplaincy and World Youth Day

Notre Dame not only includes Theology in the Logos Programme, but also offers liturgies, campus ministry and chaplaincy services, and supports students in the Christian intellectual life and social justice programs.

In 1985, Blessed John Paul II conceived the idea of World Youth Day. Held in a different city every two to three years, this is one VERY BIG reunion for young people from all around the world who gather together to pray and learn more about their faith.

Notre Dame students travel to World Youth Day celebrations. They are part of an estimated 1.5 million pilgrims.
Learning

The University of Notre Dame Australia provides students with both the knowledge and practical experience to 'hit the ground running' after graduation. Our degrees include practical placements and opportunities to get first-hand experience in your industry. We provide a unique learning environment that helps you grow academically and individually by offering:

› easy access to academic staff;
› mentoring and support programs, so you are treated as an individual, not a number; and
› clubs and societies that provide a sense of community.

Study Abroad

A Study Abroad experience will allow you to travel, make new friends, discover new cultures and gain some independence. Notre Dame partners with universities in Asia, Europe, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. Some of our partner universities include:

Boston College, USA
University of San Francisco, USA
Catholic University of Lyon, France
St Mary's College, Rome
Portsmouth University, UK
Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan

Clubs, Sport and Recreation

Basketball Club
Debating Club
Education Society
Futsal Club
Law Society
MANDUS (Medicine Association)
Nursing society
Netball Club
ROUNDS (Rural Health Society)
Ski Club
Social Justice
Touch Football Club

.... and so much more!
A variety of events are run throughout the year.

Please contact the Prospective Students Office or visit our website for further details.

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The admissions process at The University of Notre Dame Australia considers each applicant on an individual basis and includes an interview.

The University has set an indicative* ATAR score of 70 for most courses. Some courses, such as double degree programs and the Bachelor of Laws, require a higher indicative score.

A Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery requires a completed bachelor's degree to be eligible for admission.

There are no up-front tuition fees for local students and Commonwealth Government support is available for all courses.

For further information on university fees please visit studyassist.gov.au

Notre Dame has chosen not to utilise the services of UAC. Prospective students apply directly to the University via the Admissions Office. This process allows for a personalised approach, with every applicant being considered on an individual basis. Applicants are still asked to supply their ATAR or IB results, but these scores are not the sole criterion for admission.

*An indicative ATAR is an approximate ATAR. This is required along with consideration of personal qualities, motivation, leadership skills, community involvement and an interview.
The University of Notre Dame Australia is a private university – does that make it more expensive than other universities?

No. Notre Dame’s fees are similar to those charged by public universities for Australian citizens. There are no up-front tuition fees for local students and Commonwealth Supported Places, often referred to as HECS-HELP places, are available for some courses, including Medicine, undergraduate Nursing and undergraduate Education. For further information on university fees please visit studyassist.gov.au.

Do you have to be Catholic to attend Notre Dame?

No. Notre Dame welcomes students of any faith and no faith. We ask that all students are respectful of the University’s Catholic ethos and all students must study core units in philosophy, ethics and theology as part of their undergraduate degree. Notre Dame follows the traditions and practices of Catholic higher education which has offered leadership in university education for centuries. We are committed to a personalised education, underpinned by pastoral care and support for all our students.

What is an ATAR?

An Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) is a rank between 0 and 99.95 received by students who complete their Higher School Certificate. It provides a measure of your overall academic achievement in the NSW HSC in relation to other students. The ATAR helps universities rank applicants for selection and is released by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Notre Dame is not part of UAC and does not rely solely on a student’s ATAR to determine the eligibility for a course, however the University has set an indicative ATAR score of 70 for most courses. Courses such as double degree programs and the Bachelor of Laws require a higher indicative score. Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery requires graduate entry. The University uses the ATAR as part of a holistic interview process, which takes into account an individual’s academic possibilities, motivation, leadership skills, community involvement and interview.

What’s the difference between HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP?

HECS-HELP is a Federal Government loan program to help eligible Commonwealth supported students pay their student contribution amounts. Under HECS-HELP, eligible students can also receive a 10 per cent discount when they pay $500 or more of their student contributions (for a study period) up-front.*

Students who use a HELP loan will be required to repay their debt through the tax system when they earn above the minimum taxable income threshold for compulsory payment. There is no interest charged on HELP loans. However, any debt will be indexed each year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index.

FEE-HELP is a loan scheme that assists eligible fee paying students pay all or part of their tuition fees. It cannot be used for additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks.

FEE-HELP loans attract a 25% loan fee for undergraduate courses of study only*. Details regarding the HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP schemes can be found at the Government’s Study Assist website: www.studyassist.gov.au.

*subject to change, please refer to studyassist.gov.au for current information.

Are there any alternative entry pathways?

The Academic Enabling and Support Centre (AESC) assists students in building up the confidence and skills to undertake an undergraduate degree if they do not finish secondary school, do not take enough units to be eligible for an ATAR or do not receive an ATAR that meets standard university entry requirements.

The AESC offers two alternative entry pathway courses: the Tertiary Enabling Program, and the Foundation Year. These courses give students a taste of academic life in a comfortable environment where they can prepare for future tertiary study, subject to achieving satisfactory performance. The Centre also provides the services of Disability and Equity Support Officers to assist students with specific needs to manage their studies.
Need more info?

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Or come in and see us at
140 Broadway, Chippendale NSW
The Objects of The University of Notre Dame Australia are:

The Objects

a) The provision of university education within a context of Catholic faith and values; and

b) The provision of an excellent standard of –
   i) teaching, scholarship and research;
   ii) training for the professions; and
   iii) pastoral care for its students.