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What is the Notre Dame UniPath Program?

The Notre Dame UniPath Program is a **university enabling program**, providing a pathway for non-ATAR students into selected degrees at Notre Dame University.

Enabling programs are normally accessed by students after they finish their Year 12 studies, however, Newman College and Notre Dame University have entered into a partnership that allows Year 12 students to attend the Notre Dame University campus and undertake the UniPath Program whilst still enrolled at Newman College.

Students will attend Notre Dame University's Fremantle campus one day per week, providing a supported and realistic introduction to university life and procedures. They will attend tutorials and first-year lectures with other university students and enhance their study skills and academic writing in preparation for university-level studies.

Students will also receive mentoring, career advice, and explore future study options under the guidance of staff from Notre Dame University.

Structure and timing

The Notre Dame UniPath Program is delivered at the Fremantle campus of Notre Dame University one day per week for a period of 12 weeks. Students will travel to the Fremantle campus on their designated study day and participate in classes, lectures, tutorials, and other learning activities associated with the UniPath Program.

Whilst enrolled in the UniPath Program, students will study the following Notre Dame University units:

- ENAB0100: Learning for University
- ENAB0001: Communication Skills
- ENAB0002: Essential Mathematics
- ENAB0004: Research and Academic Writing

Which Universities and degrees can be accessed via the Notre Dame UniPath Program?

Please see below for a current list of universities that accept the Notre Dame UniPath Program.

University	UniReady Program status
Curtin University	Not accepted
Edith Cowan University	Not accepted.
Murdoch University	Not accepted.
University of Notre Dame Australia	Valid for entry into selected courses (see below).
University of Western Australia	Not accepted

Eligible degrees at Notre Dame University are listed below.

- **Arts**
- **Behavioural Science**
- **Business**
- **Communications and Media**
- **Counselling**
- **Education (Primary & Early Childhood)**
- **Health Sciences**
- **Philosophy and Theology**
- **Science**

Please note that the above information is correct at the time of publication. Please check <https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/pathways/unipath> for an up-to-date list.

Prerequisites

Before being accepted for entry into the UniReady Program, students must meet certain academic pre-requisites:

For Year 11 ATAR Pathway students:

- Mostly C grades in all ATAR subjects.
- The UniReady Program is recommended for students with a predicted ATAR of less than 80.

For Year 11 General Pathway students:

- B grades in General subjects.
- 60% or above in English.
- It is expected that students from the General Pathway would have participated in extra-curricular activities such as work experience, VET Certificates, Leadership, Service, and/or College Sport. General Pathway students who have not participated in any of these extra-curricular activities may not be eligible for the UniReady Program.

For all students applying:

- Students must also provide the names of two College staff who can supply a positive recommendation attesting to their work ethic and responsibility.

Costs

The total cost of participation in the Notre Dame UniPath Program is \$1,800 per student. Of this cost, the College will subsidise \$1,000 and the remaining \$800 is charged to family accounts. Therefore, the cost to families is \$800.

Contacts and further information

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Students and families can also refer to:

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/pathways/unipath>

Frequently asked questions

If I am changing out of the ATAR Pathway, can I keep some ATAR subjects?

Yes, students can do this. Sometimes a student might need to remain enrolled in 1-2 ATAR subjects in order to meet prerequisites for entry to a particular degree.

Can I do work experience and/or a VET Certificate as well as the Notre Dame UniPath Program?

Yes, students can do this. However, they must be sure to catch up on any work missed whilst absent for work experience and/or VET study. Students should also be mindful that they will miss 12 days of school (1 day per week for 12 weeks) whilst participating in the UniPath Program, in addition to any school days missed because of work experience / VET Certificate requirements.

How will I keep track of my progress in the Notre Dame UniPath Program?

The UniPath Program is taught and assessed by Notre Dame University. Student progress is monitored, and students / schools are advised if concerns are evident.

How much out-of-school study is needed?

Notre Dame University estimates that students will need to commit to approximately 4 hours in total of out-of-class study / revision / pre-reading per week, for the 12-week duration of the UniPath Program.

What happens if students submit assessments late, or not at all?

An academic penalty will be applied by Notre Dame University if assessments are not submitted, or submitted after the due date without an approved extension. Failure to submit assessments will lead to the student failing the UniPath Program.

Can students withdraw from the Notre Dame UniPath Program?

Students are permitted to withdraw from the UniPath Program prior to the year in which they commence their UniPath studies. Refunds of fees paid are entirely dependant on Notre Dame University reimbursing the College for the cost of the cancelled enrolment.

What interaction exists with people outside the school environment, and what supervision is provided?

Students attend the UniPath Program at the Fremantle campus of Notre Dame University. Students will be expected to provide their own transport to and from the venue.

The UniPath Program will be attended by Year 12 students from multiple schools, and students will also have direct interaction with Notre Dame University students and lecturers / tutors.

Supervision of students is provided by Notre Dame University staff, not Newman College staff.