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What is the UniReady Program?

The UniReady Program is a **university enabling program**, providing a pathway for non-ATAR students into selected degrees at various universities.

Enabling programs are normally accessed by students after they finish their Year 12 studies, however, Newman College and Curtin University have entered into a partnership that allows the College to deliver the UniReady Program to Year 12 students. Eligible Year 12 students can select the UniReady Program as one of their school subjects and undertake the UniReady Program whilst still at school.

Upon completion of the UniReady Program, students are awarded a notional ATAR of 70 which can then be used to satisfy the entry criteria for a range of degrees at Curtin University and other universities.

Units studied

Students undertaking the UniReady Program undertake 4 units. Each unit is studied for approximately 7 weeks.

Two units are compulsory:

- PWRP0001 Introduction to Academic Writing
- COMS0002 Introduction to Communications

Students can then select two further units from the choices below:

- HUMN0001 Introduction to Humanities
- MGMT0001 Introduction to Commerce
- BIOL0001 Introduction to Health Sciences
- MATH0003 Applied Mathematics

Students will be provided with a schedule of topics and assessments to assist in planning their progress through the units.

Which University degrees can be accessed via the UniReady Program?

A large number of bachelor-level degrees can be accessed via the UniReady Program. The examples below are eligible degrees at Curtin University only. Other Universities have additional degree courses that can be entered via UniReady. **Note that some degrees also have ATAR prerequisite subjects, please check or ask if unsure.**

Agribusiness (<i>Bachelor of Agribusiness</i>)	Geography (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)
Animation and Game Design (<i>Bachelor of Design</i>)	Graphic Design (<i>Bachelor of Design</i>)
Anthropology and Sociology (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)	Health Promotion (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Applied Geology (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)	Health Promotion and Health and Safety (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Architecture (<i>Bachelor of Applied Science</i>)	Health Sciences (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Biomedical Sciences (<i>Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences</i>)	Interior Architecture (<i>Bachelor of Applied Science</i>)
Business Administration (<i>Bachelor of Commerce</i>)	International Relations (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)
Coastal and Marine Science (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)	Journalism (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)
Commerce (<i>Bachelor of Commerce</i>)	Mine and Engineering Surveying (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Construction Management (<i>Bachelor of Applied Science</i>)	Multidisciplinary Science (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Digital Experience and Interaction Design (<i>Bachelor of Design</i>)	Nursing (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Education: Early Childhood / Primary / Secondary (<i>Bachelor of Education</i>)	Professional Writing and Publishing (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)
Environmental Science (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)	Psychology (<i>Bachelor of Psychology</i>)
Exercise and Sport Science (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)	Psychology and Human Resource Management (<i>Bachelor of Science</i>)
Fashion Design (<i>Bachelor of Design</i>)	Screen Arts (<i>Bachelor of Creative Arts</i>)
Fine Arts (<i>Bachelor of Creative Arts</i>)	Social Work (<i>Bachelor of Social Work</i>)
	Theatre Arts (<i>Bachelor of Creative Arts</i>)
	Urban and Regional Planning (<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>)

Please note that eligible courses can change from time to time. Curtin University maintains a current list of eligible courses at:

<https://futurestudents.curtin.edu.au/undergraduate/pathways/enabling-programs/uniready/>

Pre-requisites

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

For ATAR Pathway students: Mostly C grades in all ATAR subjects.

For General Pathway students: Mostly B grades, and 60% or above in English

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

Costs

The total cost of participation in the UniReady Program is \$600 per student. Of this cost, the College will subsidise 50% (that is, \$300 per student) and the remaining \$300 is charged to family accounts. The total cost to families is \$300.

Contacts and further information

For further information, please contact:

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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 at University.

Can I do work experience and/or a VET Certificate as well as UniReady?

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.

How will I keep track of my progress in the UniReady Program?

The College will provide a schedule for course content and assessments, but students are responsible for their own progress. This is reflective of the University environment. Students will submit assessments regularly and the marks will be published on Seqta and also via the Curtin University Information Portal (Blackboard).

How much out-of-school study is needed?

The UniReady Program requires a substantial time commitment. Students will have approximately 5 hours of classroom time allocated to the program and are expected to commit to a similar amount of time for homework and preparation.

On occasions, tutorials and workshops may be offered during Homework Club hours. Students are expected to make every effort to attend the scheduled times.

Are there exams?

Students will be required to undertake some formal examinations throughout the year. Students participating in the UniReady Program will undertake these examinations during the regular College examination periods.

What happens if I hand in assessments late, or not at all?

An academic penalty will be applied by Curtin 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 UniReady Program.

What happens if I fail assessments, or fail a unit?

Students must pass all 4 units in order to successfully complete the program. A 'Pass' grade is a mark greater than 50% averaged across the whole unit.

Students who fail a unit may be offered a 'further assessment', at the discretion of Curtin University. Achieving a certain mark in the further assessment will allow the student to pass the unit.

Students who fail a unit(s) and/or a further assessment will be required to repeat the unit(s) at Curtin University during the following year.

Can students withdraw from the UniReady Program?

Students are permitted to withdraw from the Program within the first three (3) weeks of the school year. In this case a refund of fees will be provided. After this time, withdrawal is still possible but no refunds can be made.

Is there interaction with people outside the school environment?

On occasions, students will be required to participate in discussion groups; these will typically be undertaken online and may include students from other schools. Assessments will be marked by a variety of markers, some of whom are external to the College (for example, teachers at other schools or Curtin University staff). Students may also have the opportunity to attend an excursion to Curtin University during school hours, for the purposes of presenting an assignment and also for a tour of the campus.

Is UniReady recognised by other universities?

University	UniReady Program status
Curtin University	Valid for entry into a wide range of courses.
Edith Cowan University	Valid for entry into selected courses: check with University admissions.
Murdoch University	Valid for entry into selected courses: check with University admissions.
University of Notre Dame Australia	Valid for entry into selected courses, combined with meeting other non-academic admission criteria. Check with University admissions.
University of Western Australia	<p>A final result of 65% or more in UniReady will allow entry into the following degrees at UWA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts • Bachelor of Biomedical Science • Bachelor of Business • Bachelor of Commerce • Bachelor of Environmental Design • Bachelor of Science
Interstate and international universities	Some interstate and international universities also recognise the UniReady Program. Please check with the course coordinator for further information.

Will I receive accommodations if I have a learning difficulty?

The UniReady Program is open to students with learning issues, including students who receive extra time for assessments, students on Curriculum Adjustment Plans (CAP) and students on Individual Education Plans (IEP). However, all students must meet the necessary prerequisites for entry into UniReady. Some adjustments can be made, for example, students may receive extra time for assessments or may be permitted to use learning aids. Students and parents should note that course content and assessment content **cannot** be modified.