Pathway options
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University is for everyone, but sometimes we take different paths to get there.

We’re here to support each and every student journey. At the University of Tasmania, we’ll help you gain the skills you need to pursue a degree or other study options. We offer a range of support programs and pathways, as well as short foundation programs. From school leavers to career changers, there is something for everyone.

Pathway Options

Learn through a range of subjects to prepare you to meet the General Entry Requirements for your future studies.

Get support and guidance from passionate teachers who will help you to achieve your study goals.

Recognise your strengths and skills, build confidence in your abilities, and make the most of the learning experiences on offer.

COURSE OPTIONS

Diploma of University Studies
Minimum 1 year, up to a maximum of 3 years
Hobart, Launceston, Cradle Coast, Sydney - Rozelle, online

University Preparation Program
Minimum 1 year, up to a maximum of 3 years
Hobart, Launceston, Cradle Coast, online

Murina Program
Minimum 1 year, up to a maximum of 3 years
Hobart, Launceston, Cradle Coast, online

Unsure which course is right for you? Don’t stress, we’re here to help. If you’d like help understanding which course you should enroll in, contact our friendly team directly at course.info@utas.edu.au or 1300 363 864.
WHAT YOU CAN STUDY

Diploma of University Studies
If you have an idea about the course you’d like to study with us and want a more supportive approach, the Diploma of University Studies is for you.

The Diploma of University Studies focuses on specialised units relevant to the course you’re interested in.

This 1-year diploma will help you qualify for a course if you didn’t quite meet the entry requirements.

You’ll learn key skills and build knowledge that will help you to succeed in your chosen pathway. The units you study in this course can also be credited into your bachelor degree.

Each pathway has been designed in consultation with the relevant college and study area. Although the pathways differ, all have the same basic structure, including preparation units, course-specific foundation units, and first year (introductory) level units.

There are different entry requirements for specific pathways but as a minimum, a completed TCE, Cert III, or relevant work experience is required.

University Preparation Program
The University Preparation Program is a free general academic skills-based course. It’s designed to develop and consolidate your skills to undertake further study options.

We’ll help you adjust to life as a university student so that you feel comfortable with both on-campus and online learning options.

What you’ll learn:
- Understand yourself as a university learner through a strength-based approach
- Key skills such as essay writing, referencing, group work and presentations
- Build your numeracy and science skills
- Experience university life and culture

This course is perfect for you if you didn’t receive the ATAR you had hoped for, or if it’s been a while you last studied.

Open to everyone 17 and over, the University Preparation Program provides an alternative entry pathway into university. By successfully completing this course, you’ll meet the General Entry Requirements (GER) for further study at the University of Tasmania.

Pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
Riawunna’s Murina Program is a supportive program that provides Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students a pathway designed to build academic skills and confidence within an Aboriginal framework, and offers units covering culture, history, storytelling, and study skills, as well as ‘on Country’ experiences.

The Murina Program is offered on the Sandy Bay, Newnham, and Cradle Coast campuses via online and face-to-face classes.

FURTHER STUDY

Graduate empowered for the future
After graduating, you’ll be equipped for further study. Whether you’re interested in an Undergraduate Certificate, an Associate degree or a Bachelor’s degree, your pathway studies will support you well in your education journey.

When you embark on further study, you’ll still have access to a range of support programs to ensure you have access to a helping hand when needed.

“I’m grateful for the UPP and DUS programs at the University of Tasmania that have significantly impacted my academic journey. Coming from a non-English speaking background without formal education, I first enrolled in an English language program in Tasmania. Discovering the UPP programs at this university offered me a unique opportunity; though initially challenging, the exceptional guidance from my lecturers boosted my confidence and enhanced my language skills.

After completing the UPP program, I pursued a DUS in Health Science and am now in my second year of a Bachelor of Medical Research in Biomedicine with a minor in Neuroscience at the University of Tasmania. My dream of becoming a doctor, which I’ve held since age five, now feels within reach.”

Hamidah Ibrahim
Pathways Graduate