New Courses 2012 information for current Year 12 students ...

... and anyone commencing or deferring undergraduate study at UWA in 2011

With a multitude of course and career choices on offer, making a decision about what and where to study can be challenging. You may already know that UWA is introducing significant change to the structures of its courses from 2012. This brochure contains important information to help you understand your options over the next couple of years. The changes open up exciting opportunities for you as well as for students who will join us from 2012 onwards.

What are the changes?
From 2012, we’ll be delivering the same areas of study we currently offer through a new range of flexible undergraduate and postgraduate courses. Streamlined, consistent course structures will make it easier to combine study from different areas in a single degree, so combined degree courses will no longer be required. Some of our high-demand courses, such as Medicine, Dentistry and Law will become postgraduate courses only. That means you will need to complete another (undergraduate) degree before embarking on one of these courses. There’s lots more information available about the changes in other publications.

Will I be able to transfer into the new courses in 2012?
Of course! You’ll be given information on options to transfer during 2011, to help you decide if you want to transfer or stay in your current course.

Will all courses still be available in 2011?
Most single degree courses and combined degree courses will still be available in 2011. A small number of courses have been discontinued as part of the normal revision of course offerings we do every year. Some combined degree courses have been withdrawn as part of the transition program for New Courses 2012; however, the component degrees of those combinations will still be available. A table of the courses withdrawn following publication of the 2011 undergraduate prospectus Study at UWA 2011 is included in this flyer.

Will I be able to study part-time?
Yes, in single degrees. But, because combined degree courses already have a fairly long duration, we’ll require students commencing in combined degree courses in 2011 to study full-time.

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I’m thinking of deferring my place (taking a gap year) in 2011. How will the changes affect me?

If you take a gap year in 2011, you’ll come back to one of our new courses in 2012. This means that the guarantee of a place following deferral will be for one of the new courses, instead of for one of the existing courses. Here’s how it will work for various degrees:

**Single degree courses**
This includes: Arts, Commerce, Computer Science, Computer and Mathematical Sciences, Economics, Engineering, Environmental Design, Landscape Architecture, Health Science, Science (3 year) and Science (4 year). You’ll be guaranteed a place in the new course that replaces the current course. For instance, if you defer a place in Engineering, you’ll be guaranteed a place in the new Bachelor of Science, where you can major in Engineering Science.

**Combined courses (except Law)**
While combined courses will not be part of New Courses 2012, you’ll be able to take up a place in either of the courses you deferred (where available) and cover the ‘other’ area of study by taking a second major. For example, if you defer a place in the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Commerce course in 2011, you’ll be guaranteed entry to either the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Commerce in 2012. If you go into the Bachelor of Commerce, you’ll be able to add a major from the Bachelor of Arts and vice versa. The choice is yours.

**Law combined courses**
You’ll be guaranteed entry to the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Science (be aware that prerequisites apply to some majors). Then, because you’ve already met the stringent entry requirements for the combined Law degree, we will reserve a place for you for 2015 in the new postgraduate Law course, the Juris Doctor. The only condition will be that you achieve a Grade Point Average of 5.5 in your undergraduate study. That’s equivalent to around a 65% average, which should be easily achievable. During your final year of study we’ll also ask you to confirm that you want to proceed into the Law program.

**Medicine, Dentistry, Podiatric Medicine**
You’ll be guaranteed entry to the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Science (subject to prerequisites for particular majors). We’ll reserve a place for you in the postgraduate course equivalent to your deferred course in 2015, provided you achieve a Grade Point Average of 5.5. For Dentistry, you’ll also need to satisfy a test of manual dexterity and spatial awareness before proceeding to the new postgraduate course. We also recommend you include studies equivalent to first year university Biology, Chemistry and Physics in preparation for these courses. You’ll be able to do this in any of our undergraduate degrees.

We’ll spell out exact details of your individual deferral arrangements when we confirm your 2011 deferral, but if you have any questions about the process, or what it will mean in your circumstance, please feel free to contact the UWA Admissions Centre (contact details are on the back page).

**What if I want to take a year off during my degree?**
The implications of taking a year off during your degree studies vary according to the degree in which you’re enrolled. For single degrees such as Arts, Commerce and Science, provided you are making good progress with your studies before applying for leave, it should be possible for you to take a year away from study and still complete your degree within the standard time limit. For courses moving to postgraduate study only from 2012 (Medicine, Dentistry, Law and Podiatric Medicine), it is likely that breaks in your study program will only be approved and accommodated in cases of illness or other circumstances beyond your control. That means, if you want to take a year off to travel, you might want to wait until you’ve finished your undergraduate degree.

**Will I be able to get into the new postgraduate courses?**
Yes. Many of the new professional postgraduate courses will be introduced while you are completing your undergraduate degree. You’ll be able to compete for a place in these courses as you finish your undergraduate degree. Again, we’ll provide more information to you during your undergraduate studies.
# Changes to courses in *Study at UWA 2011*

Since our undergraduate prospectus *Study at UWA 2011* was printed, there have been some changes to the availability of courses listed. The following courses will not be available for commencing students in 2011; however, there are alternative pathways available for you to pursue similar areas of study.

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