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Course Structure

Year 1

Foundation Unit
All new first year students take a Foundation Unit. These are designed so you have some idea what’s going on, because, let’s face it, you’ve never been to uni before!

Core Units
You must take these units for a particular major to gain a specialisation in this area.
- Introduction to Accounting
- Principles of Commercial Law
- Introduction to Economics
- Introduction to Statistics
- Principles of Finance and Banking

General Electives
You must take these units to have enough units to graduate. General electives give you the flexibility to learn from a variety of different areas.
Select two 100-level units offered by the University, subject to individual unit prerequisites.

Year 2 & 3

Core Units
- Finance Law
- Corporate Finance
- Treasury Management
- Investment Analysis
- International Finance
- Derivative Securities

General Electives
Select six 200 - 400 level units offered by the University, subject to individual unit prerequisites.

Recommended double majors
To take a double major, students simply take the core units from another major in place of their general electives units. You can come and speak to our counsellors to find out more information on double major possibilities.

Admissions Requirements
Murdoch University provides a number of pathways for admission of people from a variety of backgrounds. In addition, the University does not generally require the completion of any prerequisite subjects. However, applicants will need to meet specific English competency requirements.
Please speak to our Counsellors for more information on the various admission pathways into Murdoch. Their contact details are given below.