



# eStudent terms you need to know

**Attendance mode:** The medium in which you undertake a unit. Units may be offered internally, partially online or fully online.

**Availability:** The study period and the campus/es in which a unit is offered.

**Blended learning:** A model of learning utilising both face-to-face and online components.

**Contact hours:** The total number of hours attendance is required for a unit per week.

**Course code:** A unique set of numbers/letters representing a course.

**Credit points:** The weighting of your study load indicated by the amount of credit points allocated. A standard Curtin unit is 25 credit points. More intensive or practical-based units may be more than 25 credits.

**Equivalent unit:** A unit that can be done in place of a specified unit. Often equivalent units are previous versions of a specified unit.

**Exemption:** A unit that is not required to be undertaken due to Credit for Recognised Learning being granted.

**Fully online:** The attendance mode in which all of your unit content is delivered online.

**Internal:** The attendance mode whereby your classes take place on campus.

**Liability category:** Your student fee status e.g. Commonwealth Supported, Domestic Fee-Paying, International Onshore Fee-Paying.

**Major:** A series of units within a single discipline combined to satisfy the University's requirements in a specific learning area. Your major/s will appear on your award. E.g. the Economics major within the Bachelor of Commerce.

**Minor:** Please see specialisation.

**Partially online:** The attendance mode involving a combination of face-to-face classes and pre-packaged online content.

**Personalise Your Degree:** A flexible component of some courses that allows you to choose part of your course structure. You may be able to select a second major, a specialisation, electives or a combination of these to reach the required amount of credit points as outlined in the course handbook.

**Flexible majors:** Major selections that can be made under Personalise Your Degree. Please see “Major” for more information.

**Flexible specialisations:** Specialisation selections that can be made under Personalise Your Degree. Please see “specialisation” for more information.

**Electives level 1:** First-year level elective units that can be chosen under Personalise Your Degree.

**Electives level 2/3:** Second or third year level elective units that can be chosen under Personalise Your Degree.

**Requisite:** The conditions attached to a unit.

**Anti-requisite:** A unit which prevents you from enrolling into another unit due to the similarity of its content.

**Co-requisite:** A unit which must be undertaken concurrently with another specified unit.

**Pre-requisite:** A unit or other requirement which must be successfully completed before you can enrol into a unit.



**Specialisation:** A series of units designed to broaden your knowledge within a single discipline. Your specialisation/s will not appear on your award. For some courses, “specialisation” and “minor” are interchangeable. E.g. the Photography specialisation within the Bachelor of Design.

**Stream:** A specialised structure of units within a course that define a pathway of study. E.g. the Honours Physiotherapy Stream in the Bachelor of Science (Physiotherapy).

**Unit code:** A unique set of numbers/letters representing a unit.

**Unit:** A constituent of study focused on a specified area of content. E.g. PSYC1000 Introduction to Psychology.

**Core unit:** A compulsory unit within a course and/or major. Core units are marked with a “C” in eStudent.

**Alternative core unit:** An interchangeable core unit. Your selection may be dictated by your course structure.

**Optional unit:** A unit that must be chosen from a specified list. Optional units are marked with an “O” in eStudent.

**Elective unit:** A unit that can be chosen from any Faculty as long as the requisites have been met. Elective units are marked with an “E” in eStudent.

