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CHOOSING AN OCCUPATION OR COURSE



Choosing School Subjects



Learning Outcomes

The information in this career resource will develop your knowledge of:

- Factors to consider when choosing school subjects.
- The relationship between school subjects and career goals.
- A decision making process for choosing school subjects.

Choosing school subjects is usually one of the first career decisions that school students make. Your school subject choices can influence your early career so they should be chosen carefully. This resource will give you some tips for choosing school subjects.

The Importance of Your School Subject Choices

School subject choices are career decisions because your school subjects, particularly in the senior secondary years, can have an impact on the course and career options available to you in the first stage of your career after leaving school. For example, deciding to drop Science in the senior secondary years may preclude direct entry into bachelor degree courses in many health and medical sciences, engineering, and other science disciplines.

Choosing your subjects wisely can help you to achieve your career goals. For example, choosing a vocational education and training subject related to your career goal may help you to gain an Australian Apprenticeship in your preferred industry and give you a head start in your training.

