



GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020 DESTINATIONS REPORT

Where our students are going.....

This report was focussed on the Year 12 Graduating Class of 2020 cohort. The data was obtained from a Destinations Survey sent out to all students in mid January, after the January round offers for university placement.

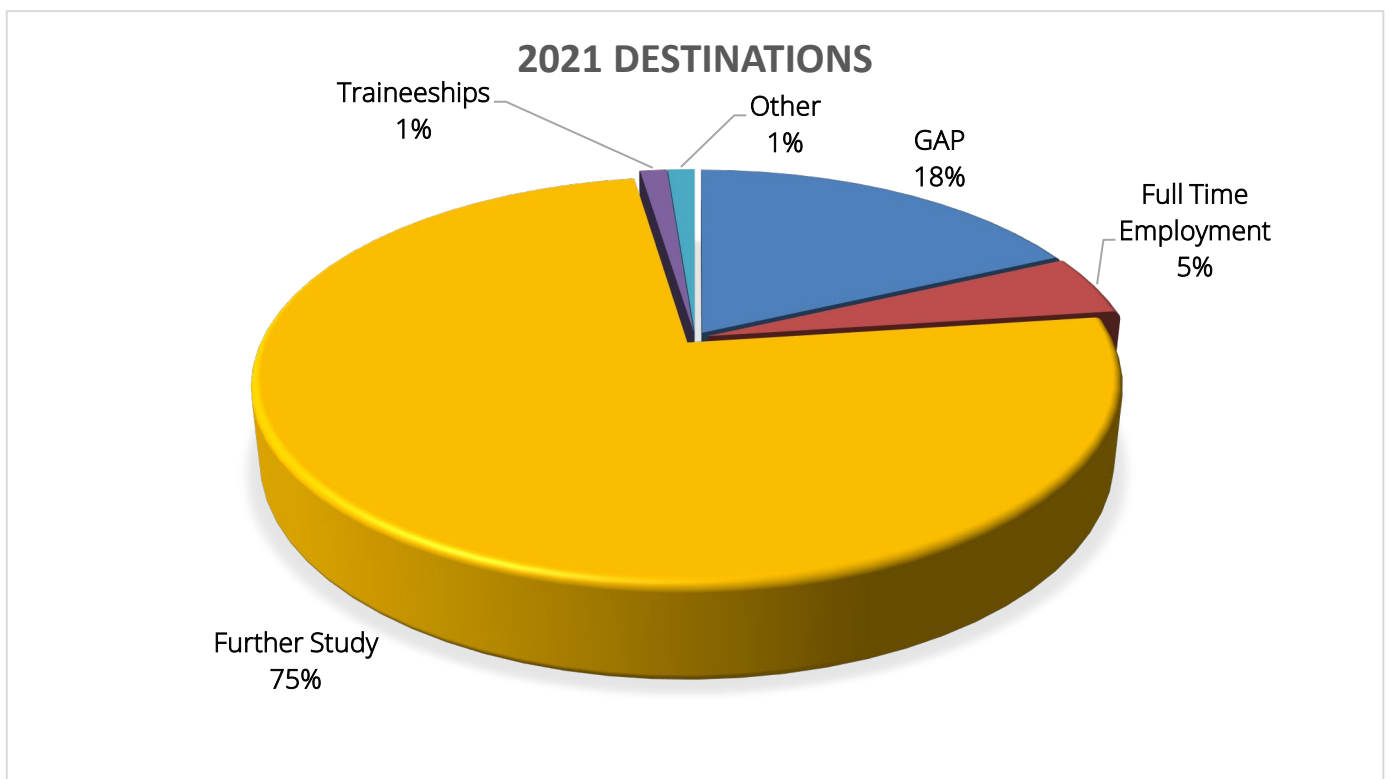
The student survey related to:

- Plans for 2021 - categorised into further study, full time employment and a Gap year
- Plans for 2022- if they were taking a Gap year
- Type of study
- Institution of study

Destinations

The destinations of our Year 12 cohort from last year was obviously quite different due to the impact of Covid-19 and their aspirations to travel overseas and move interstate to study.

In 2021, 93% of the young women who completed Year 12 at Merici College in 2020 will continue in some form of recognised education and training in the year after they have left school, 2021, or after they have taken a Gap year.



Approximately 75% will go directly into further study at university (combination of university, CIT or a private provider), while only 18% have decided to take a GAP year. This is well down from last year, which was 30% deciding to take a Gap year. The Gap year for the 2020 cohort is basically to find some sort of employment before they begin further study in 2022.

All of the 18 students deciding to have a break from study this year, will commence further study in 2022.

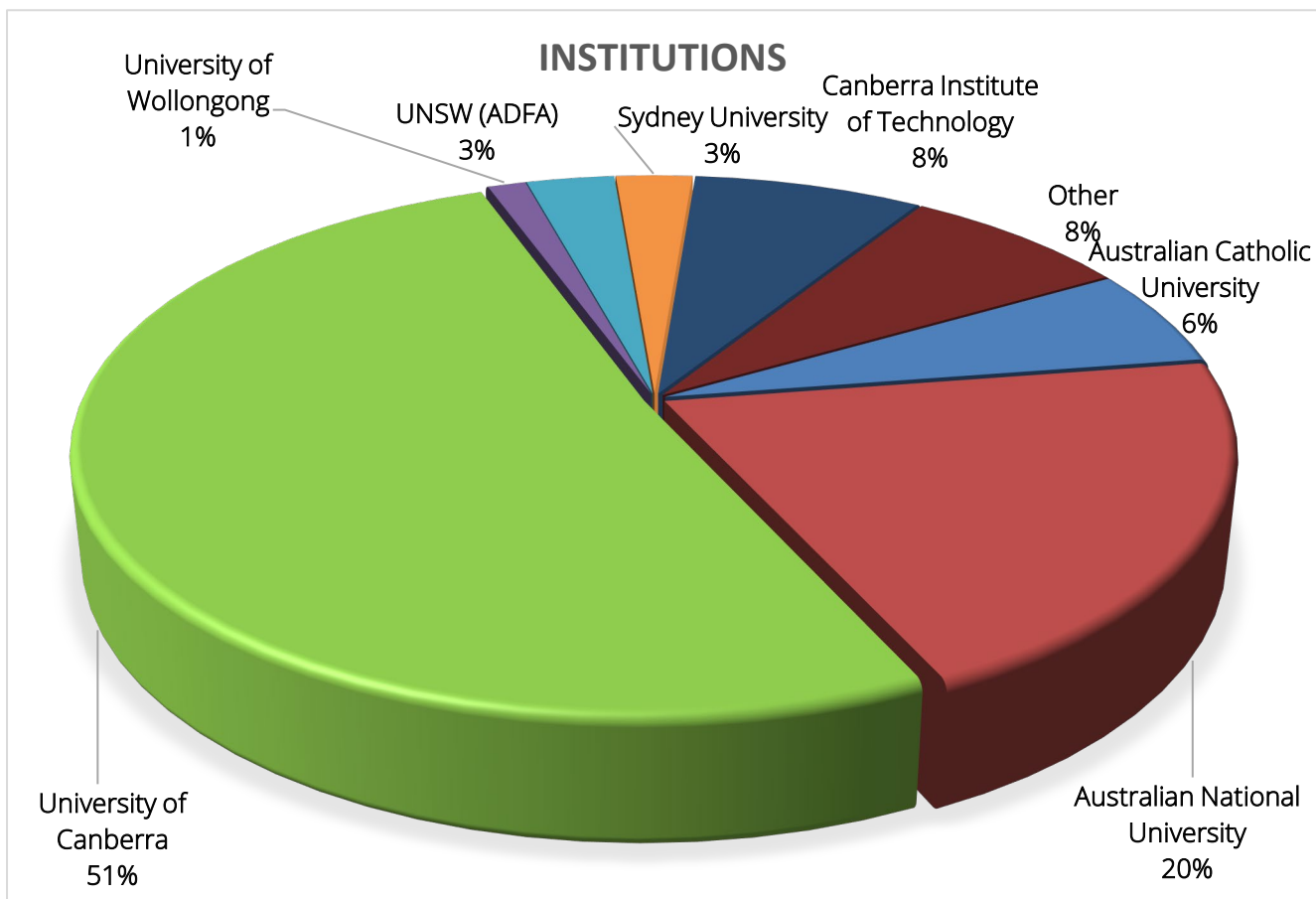
5% have moved into full time employment or are looking for employment. One student is looking for a traineeship in Carpentry or Plumbing and we have a student attending a Dance Academy overseas at the end of Semester 2, 2021 Due to Covid-19 there has been a move away from students studying interstate with only 3% of students choosing to study in NSW compared to 15% in the previous year. Those students have chosen to study at the University of Sydney.

As a result of this 21% of students are studying at Australian National University, which is up by 3% on the previous year. 5% of students are studying at Australian Catholic University, which is down by about 1% from the previous year.

There has been a small decrease of 4% of our students attending the University of Canberra this year. Nearly 51% of our graduating students will study at the University of Canberra.

Merici College has 2 students enrolled at the University of Sydney and 2 at the University of NSW campus at ADFA.

The 'Other' category includes Torrens University (Billy Blue Campus), Australasian Beauty Training Academy, HZ University of Applied Science (Netherlands), The Australian Paramedical College and a Dance Academy OS.



Approximately 10% of students studying at a tertiary institution are completing a business related degree, which includes Commerce, Politics, International Relations, International Business and and Marketing. Quite a number of students have chosen to undertake a double degree in these areas.

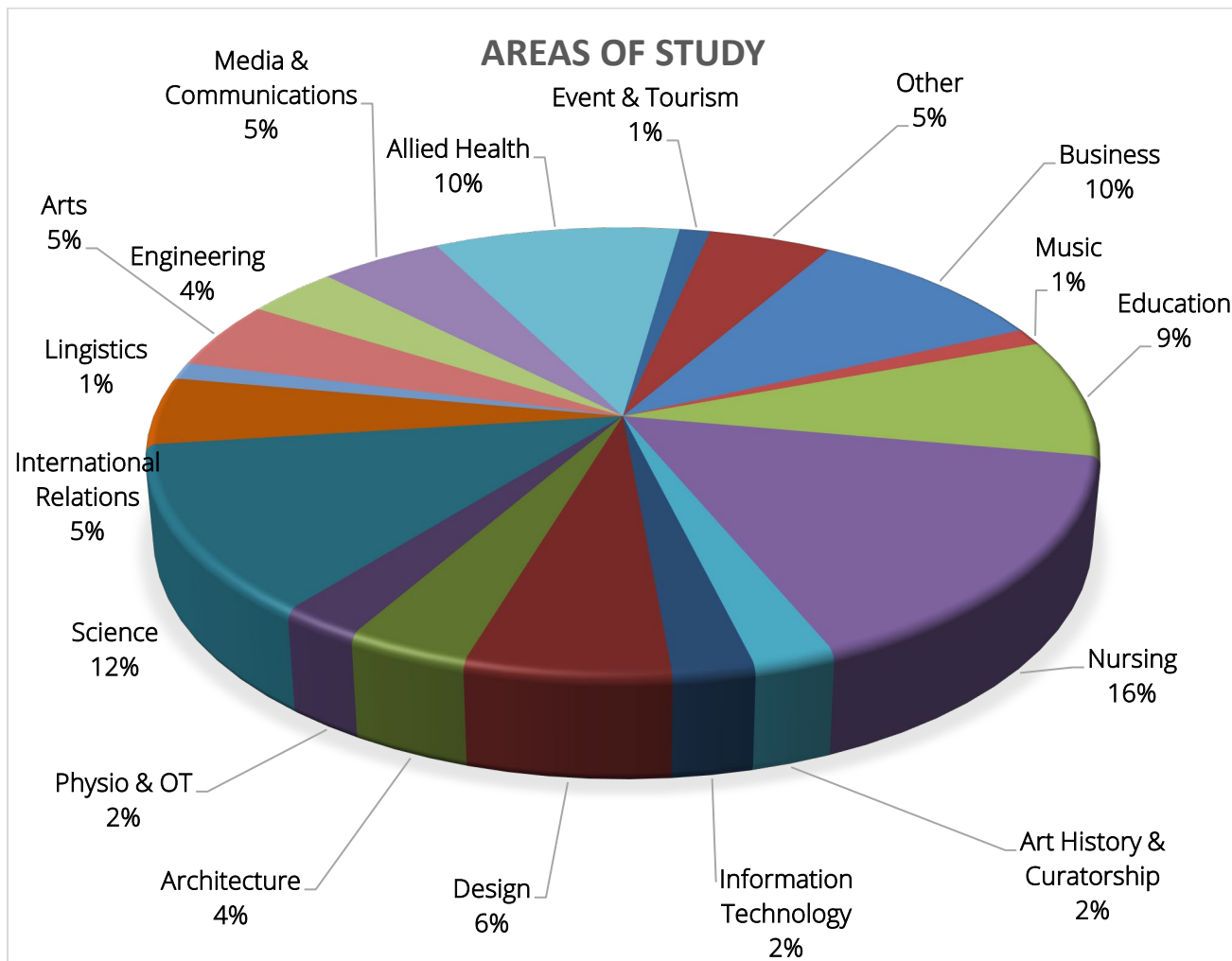
12% of students studying Science have enrolled in a broad range of degrees, including Biomedical Science, Psychology and Medical Science. Again, quite a number have chosen to combine Science with another degree.

Students choosing to studying either Primary or Secondary Education is up from last year by 4%, with 9% of our students choosing to study Education at ACU or UC.

The biggest change has been in the field of Nursing. Students choosing to study Nursing increased by 9%, to 16% this year.

The Media and Design area of study proved to be quite popular with 5% and 6% choosing these courses respectively.

The students choosing to study a Bachelor of Arts have usually combined with another degree.



Of all the students studying a Tertiary package in 2020, who applied for a Schools Recommendation, would have received an offer based on their ATAR result. Only one student, who was not given a Schools Recommendation because they did not fulfil the criteria, did not receive any offers.

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