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# STUDY AND CAREER ADVICE

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## Meet Yuvaan Singh, a Specialist Senior Student Advisor at UP

*by Yuvaan Singh*

I was employed by the University of Pretoria in October of 2022 as a Specialist Senior Student Advisor, and having been in the field of Higher Education for 6 years, working at this University has by far been the greatest honour!

We as Specialist Senior Student Advisors are responsible for the recruitment of the highest achieving students around the country and abroad, and some of the provinces that I visit to recruit these students are Gauteng, the Northern Cape, and the Eastern Cape, where I meet with students at both Public and Private schools studying either the IEB, NSC, Cambridge or various other curriculums, answering any questions they may have, and guiding them to the qualification that is most suited to them.



Some of the most common questions I receive are: *"What subjects do I require to get into this qualification?"* and *"Which career field pays the most?"*. My answer to these questions is that students should have an idea of at least two career choices before they are in matric, and extensive research needs to be done by the student in the years preceding their matric in order to make the correct subject choices for a qualification that takes them into the desired career field. Students should not make unrealistic career choices based on what pays the most or what they see on TV, but rather make that decision based on their skills, aptitude and personality. A tool that I find very helpful for these students is our UP Career Guidance website ([www.gostudy.net/up](http://www.gostudy.net/up)) as this assists students in finding study fields that they may be best suited to!

My personal message to prospective students of TUKS is to work hard academically, especially in your Grade 11 and Grade 12 years, always maintain a positive mindset throughout, and NEVER doubt yourselves. Research is key, and I strongly advise that each and every learner out there do as much research as possible to make a decision for a suitable career and not to make a hasty decision, as the decision you make determines the rest of your life!

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➤ ***Important links for prospective students appear on the next page.***

## Useful links for prospective students:

Frequently asked questions	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/faq">www.up.ac.za/faq</a>
UP Virtual Campus	<a href="http://www.virtualcampus.up.ac.za">www.virtualcampus.up.ac.za</a>
Explore UP's undergraduate programmes	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/programmes/type/ug">www.up.ac.za/programmes/type/ug</a>
Faculty brochures	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/students/article/2748887/faculty-brochures-2023">www.up.ac.za/students/article/2748887/faculty-brochures-2023</a>
UP online application guidelines	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/online-application/article/2445192/online-application-instructions">www.up.ac.za/online-application/article/2445192/online-application-instructions</a>
Tutorial on how to apply online	<a href="#">Video: How to apply at UP</a>
Apply for admission to study at UP	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/apply">www.up.ac.za/apply</a>
Undergraduate study programmes	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/programmes/type/ug">www.up.ac.za/programmes/type/ug</a>
Year books	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/yearbooks/home">www.up.ac.za/yearbooks/home</a>
Fees and funding	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/article/2749200/fees-and-funding">www.up.ac.za/article/2749200/fees-and-funding</a>
Student support	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/student-affairs">www.up.ac.za/student-affairs</a>
Student accommodation	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/student-accommodation/">www.up.ac.za/student-accommodation/</a>
Information for international students	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/international-cooperation-division">www.up.ac.za/international-cooperation-division</a>
National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS)	<a href="http://www.nsfas.org.za">www.nsfas.org.za</a>
Disability Unit	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/disability-unit">www.up.ac.za/disability-unit</a>
Safety on Campus	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/department-of-security-services/article/23390/safety-on-campus">www.up.ac.za/department-of-security-services/article/23390/safety-on-campus</a>
Campus life	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/article/2749279/campus-life">www.up.ac.za/article/2749279/campus-life</a>
TuksSport	<a href="http://www.up.ac.za/tukssport">www.up.ac.za/tukssport</a>