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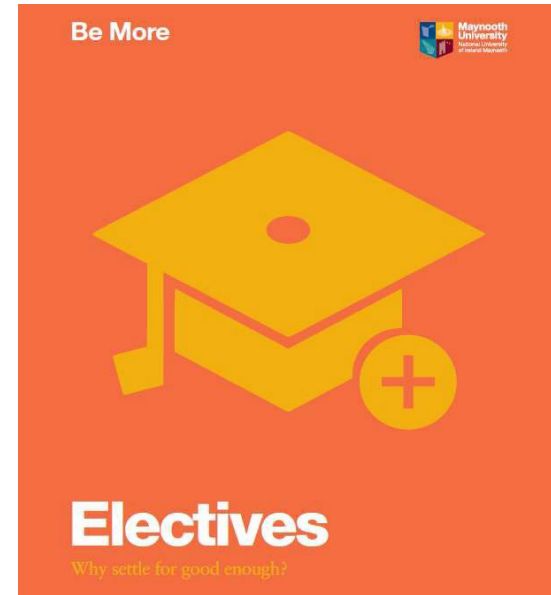
Programme Choices- Electives

Programme Advisory Team

What is an Elective?

Electives allow you to expand your university education by providing the opportunity to study an area outside your chosen degree programme.

An Elective is worth 10 credits : 2 x five credit modules - one five credit module in each semester .



Why take an Elective?

1. Develop new skills that will compliment your chosen programme (e.g. modern languages, entrepreneurship, or science communication)
2. Broaden your perspective: study across disciplines, learn how to think differently & appreciate different viewpoints.
3. Introduction to the diverse fields of research as well as the excellent lecturing staff throughout the University
4. To start a new language or keep up a current one
5. Intrigued by the topic

Electives on offer this year

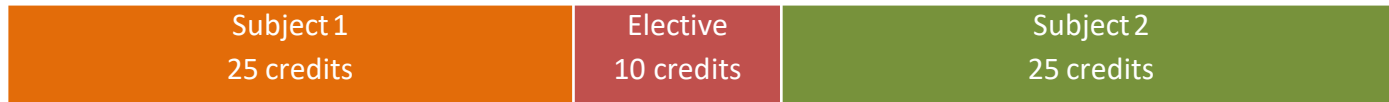
Many students have the opportunity to take an Elective in Year 2

Some of the Electives this year include:

- Accounting in Society
- Beginners Chinese
- Continuing French/Spanish/German/Gaeilge/Chinese
- Film and Screen Studies
- Gender and Sexuality in Society and Culture
- Good and Evil
- Engaging with civil society: justice, welfare and environment
- Critical Skills will be on offer for Science Students as an option
- Skills for Success

How an Elective works – MH101

Double Major



Major with Minor



Single Major



How an Elective works for - MH201

Subject 1 20 credits	Subject 2 20 credits	Subject 3 10 credits	Elective 10 credits
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MH201 Science students cannot progress the science subject studied at 10 credits in second year (subject 3 in the example above) forward into your third and final year.

- Denominated Programmes

An Elective is taken instead of two of your non-core/optional modules (10 credits)

CourseFinder

- For information on your pathways, subjects and modules in every year of study
- Search by course code or module code.

The screenshot shows the Maynooth University CourseFinder website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links: About Us, Departments, People Finder, News & Events, Location, Contact, For Staff, For Alumni, and For Current Students. The Maynooth University logo is on the left, and a search bar is on the right. Below the navigation, there are links for Home, Prospective Students, Current Students, and Memo. A dark red banner contains the text "Courses / Current Students" and a print icon. Below this, there is an "Eco-Print" link and a search bar labeled "Current Students - Search". A search input field and a "Search" button are provided. To the right of the search bar, there is an information icon and the text "What can I search for?" followed by a list of search criteria: Qualification (check your Student Card), CAO/PAC or Module code, Course name or code, and Subject name or code. At the bottom of the search area, there is a link for "Elective Streams".

Ts & Cs apply

- Registration for all modules are subject to usual timetable viability and requirements in your main subjects
- Electives are not available on every programme



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Exception to the rule...Skills for Success

- Professional Development and Employability Skills module
- Practice and develop a range of employability skills: teamwork, communication, leadership, creative problem solving, self awareness and more
- Continuous Assessment: Simulated Recruitment Process with job application, interview and E-portfolio
- 5 credit module available in semester one or two
- Taken in lieu of 5 credit optional module or 5 credit Elective module in semester 2
- Module codes: Semester 1- EX201 / Semester 2 - EX202

Electives FAQs

Q. How do I register for an Elective?

A. Registration for Electives takes place during online registration at the start of the academic year.

Q. Is an Elective extra work?

A. No, an Elective is part of your 60 credits for Year 2.

Q. Can I take up an Elective in semester 2 of Year 2?

A: You should contact the Programme Advisory Office at the start of semester 2 to discuss your situation.

Q. Can I change my Elective in September?

A. Yes, but keep in mind there may be limited places in some Electives.

Q. My elective and compulsory module clash, what happens?

A. You must register for the compulsory module and cannot choose the elective module that clashes, you must make a different choice of elective if you want to register for an elective module.



How to create a viable timetable

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Choose the For Current Student option from the drop down menu



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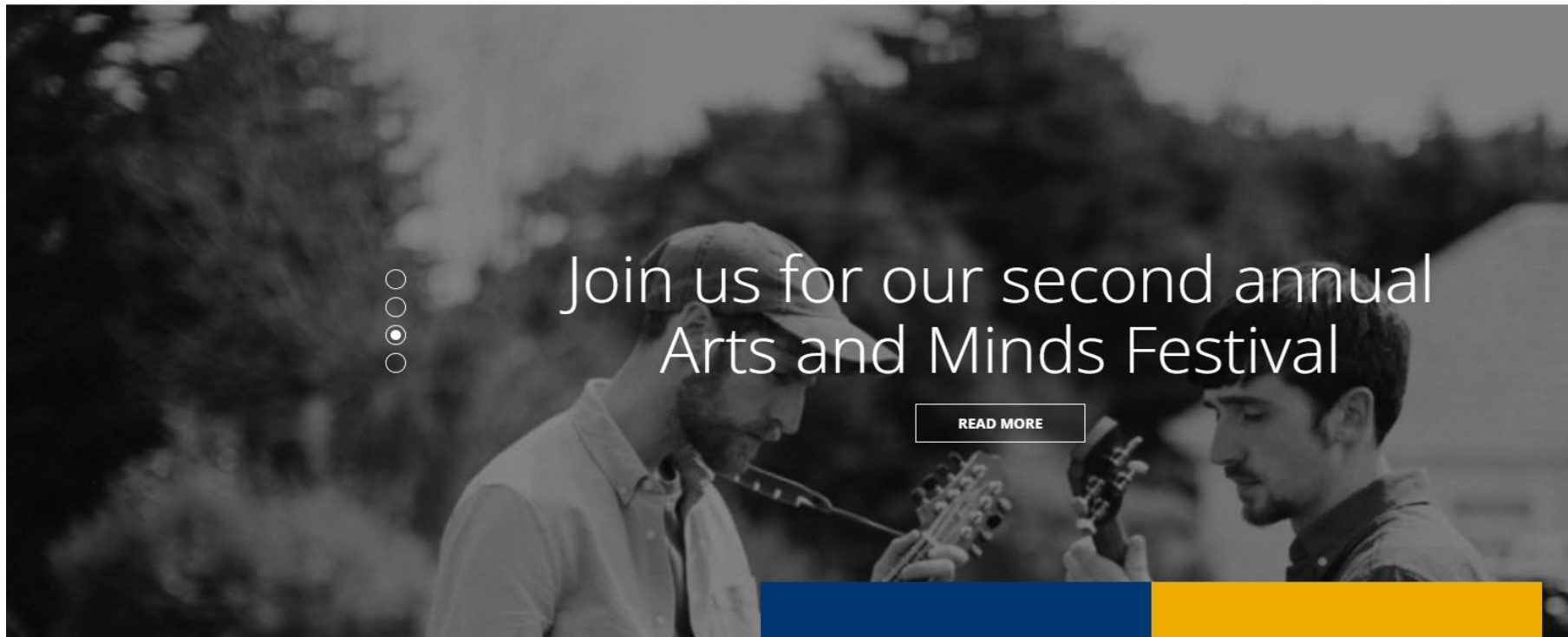
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For Current Students Creating a timetable

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Creating a viable timetable

1. Having selected Timetable
2. Select Timetable Viewer on the right-hand side of the page
3. Select the 'Lecture' tab on the far left
4. Choose your course from the drop down menu. Continue.
5. Select Semester 1/Semester 2 or All (recommended). Continue.
6. Hold down the control key to select multiple modules. Continue.
7. Be sure that there are no timetable clashes before registering for second year in September 2023.

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