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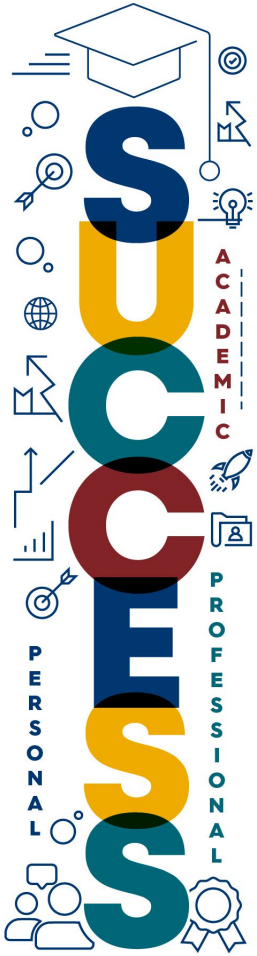
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**What is an Elective? Elective Streams Explained
Programme Advisory Team**

OVERVIEW OF SESSION

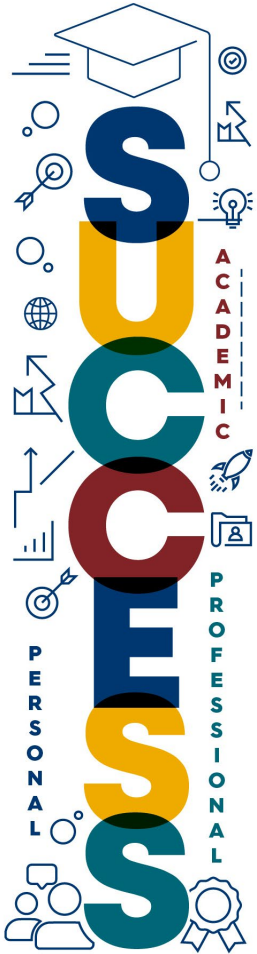
- Understanding what an Elective is.
- How an Elective works?
- Why take an elective as part of your programme?
- Marks & Standards.
- Where to find more information?



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WHY TAKE AN ELECTIVE?

1. Develop new skills that will compliment your chosen programme (e.g. a language, entrepreneurship, or science communication).
2. Broaden your perspective, allow you to study across disciplines, learn how to think differently & appreciate different viewpoints.
3. An opportunity to be introduced to the diverse fields of research in the University.
4. An opportunity to work with the excellent lecturing staff throughout the University.
5. Start a new language or keep up a current one.
6. Intrigued by or interested in the topic on offer.



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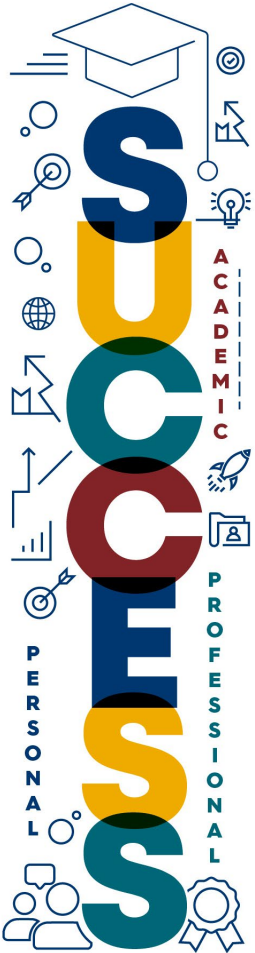
WHAT ARE ELECTIVES?

Electives are optional modules that 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.



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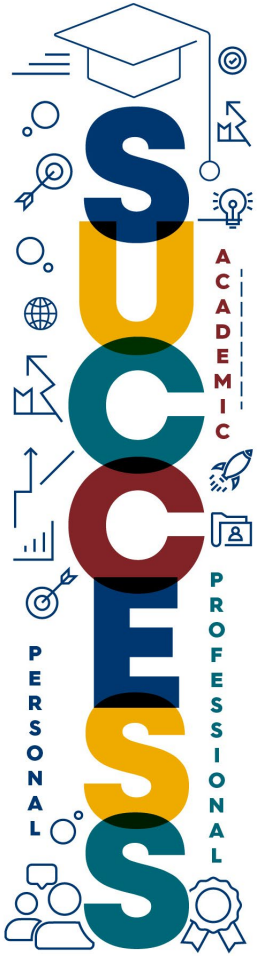


SOME OF THE ELECTIVES ON OFFER THIS YEAR

Some of the Electives this year include:

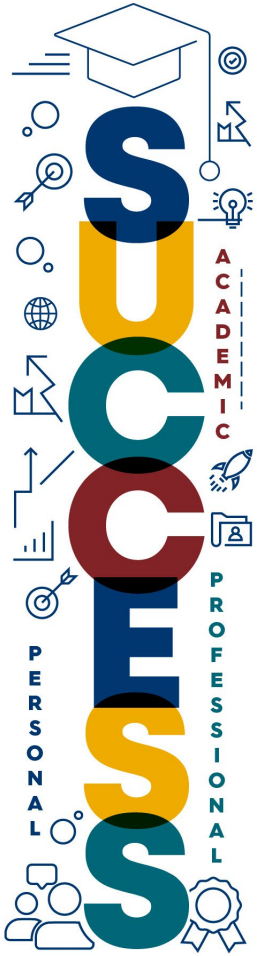
- Accounting in Society
- Beginners Chinese & German
- Continuing French/Spanish/German/Nua-Gaeilge/Chinese
- Film and Screen Studies
- Gender and Sexuality in Society and Culture
- Good and Evil
- Skills for Success (exceptions apply)

You should check Course Finder in mid July when it is updated for the academic year 25/26



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Pathways within Arts MH101



DOUBLE MAJOR 2nd Year

2 subjects totalling 60 credits, 30 credits each or
2 subjects with 25 credits in each and 10 credits of modules from Elective Streams

DOUBLE MAJOR 3rd Year & Final Year

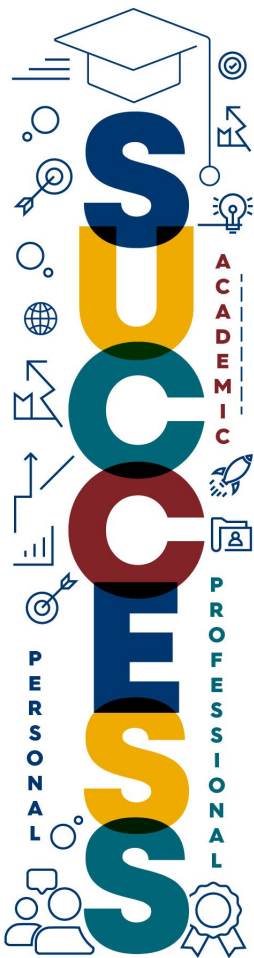
You continue with your two subjects registering for 30 credits in each subject

Further information here: <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/registry/subject-option-guides>



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MAJOR/MINOR 2nd Year

2 subjects totalling 60 credits, 40 credits in your Major subject and 20 credits in your Minor subject or
35 credits in your Major subject, 15 credits in your Minor subject and 10 credits from Elective Streams

MAJOR / MINOR 3rd Year & Final Year

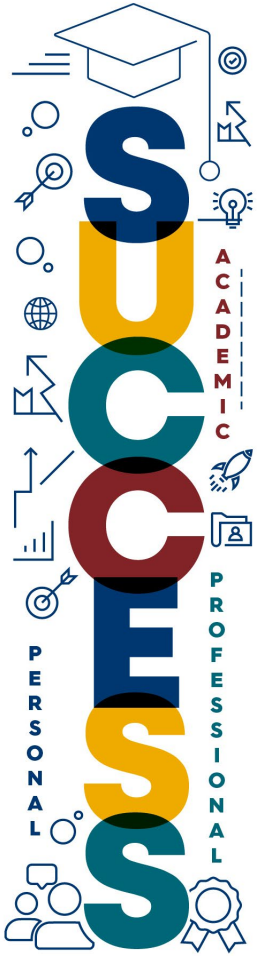
You continue with your two subjects registering for 40 credits in your Major subject and 20 credits in your Minor subject

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SINGLE MAJOR 2nd Year

- 1 subject from the subjects you completed in first year, that has an option of a Single Major (once you meet the specified criteria) totalling 60 credits or
- 1 subject with 50 credits (once you meet the specified criteria) and 10 credits of modules from Elective Streams

SINGLE MAJOR 3rd Year & Final Year

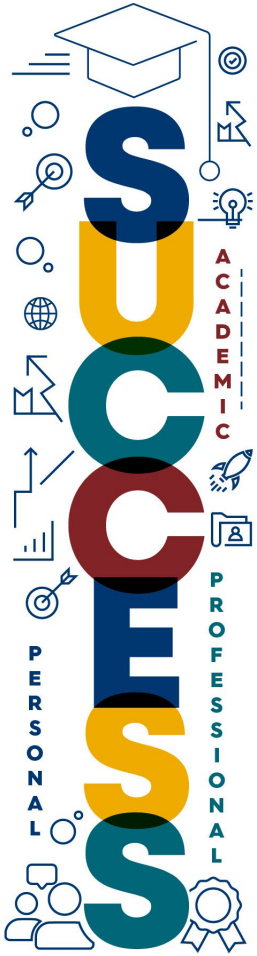
You continue with your one subject totalling 60 credits

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HOW AN ELECTIVE WORKS FOR MH101 SUMMARY



Double Major

Subject 1 25 credits	Elective 10 credits	Subject 2 25 credits
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Major with Minor

Subject 1 35 credits	Elective 10 credits	Subject 2 15 credits
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Single Major

Subject 1 50 credits	Elective 10 credits
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Pathways within Science MH201

2nd Year

3 subjects totalling 60 credits, 20 credits each or
2 subjects of 20 credits each and 1 non progressing subject (10 credits) and modules from Elective Streams
(10 credits) totalling 60 credits*

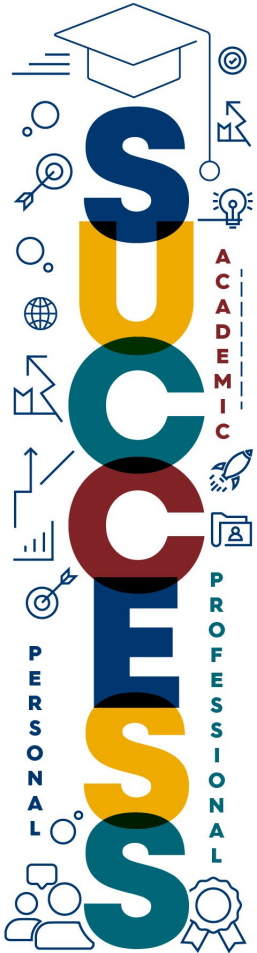
3rd Year

2 of your three Subjects (if you took 20 credits in each) or
the two subjects you completed 20 credits in each for second year, taking 30 credits in each subject this year

4th & Final Year

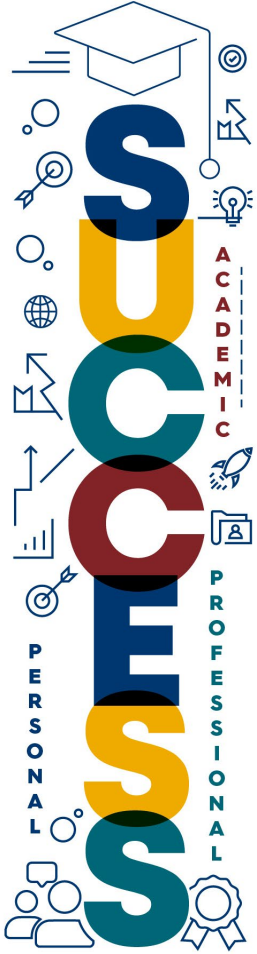
Your two subjects from third year (Double Major) or one of your two subjects from third year (Single Major)

*See [Course Finder](#) for exceptions and options



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HOW AN ELECTIVE WORKS FOR SCIENCE



2nd Year

Subject 1 20 credits	Subject 2 20 credits	Subject 3 10 credits	Elective 10 credits
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Science students (MH201) cannot progress with the science non-progressing subject studied at 10 credits in second year (subject 3 in the example above). You would only progress to third year with the subjects in which you studied 20 credits.

Denominated Programme

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



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WHERE DO I FIND INFORMATION?



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Award Type and NFQ Level: UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE (8)

Course code: SCI

CAO/PAC code: MH201

Notes

Elective Streams

Required module

A required module is a module in a subject which must be passed without compensation in order to progress in that subject.

International module

An international module is a module available to short term, visiting international students registered with Maynooth University for either one semester or one academic year but who are not taking the full degree programme of study with Maynooth University.

▼ **Year 1**

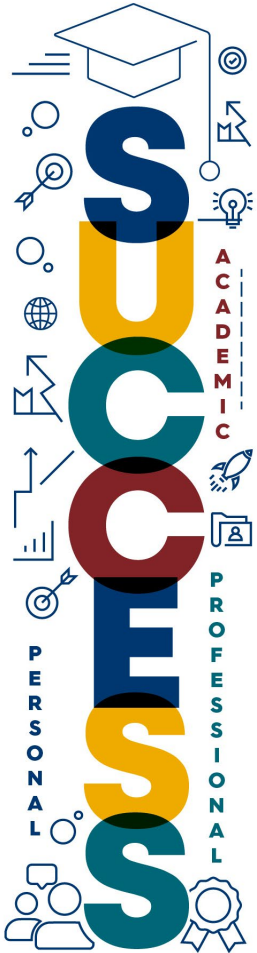
Click on year 2



▼ **Year 2**

▼ **Year 3**

▼ **Year 4**



WHERE DO I FIND INFORMATION?

NOTE: Read the rules below, as well as the rules for each subject and note their implications for you, if choosing those subjects

Year 2

Select Three Subjects: (*excluding the Elective subject*)

- The Combination of Chemistry and Mathematical Physics is allowed in Year 2 but not in subsequent years
- Students choosing Computer Science (20 credits) must also take Mathematics, and are normally required to take MT2F20.
- Students who want to take Computer Science (20 credits) and Mathematics for 10 credits (MT2F10) must obtain Head of Department permission before registration.

Electives:










- Students may choose to take an Elective pairing (two 5 credit modules) in lieu of two 5-credit optional modules in one of their subjects.
- Students who take Elective modules cannot progress in the 10-credit science subject
- Students can only progress in the 20-credit science subjects that have been taken.

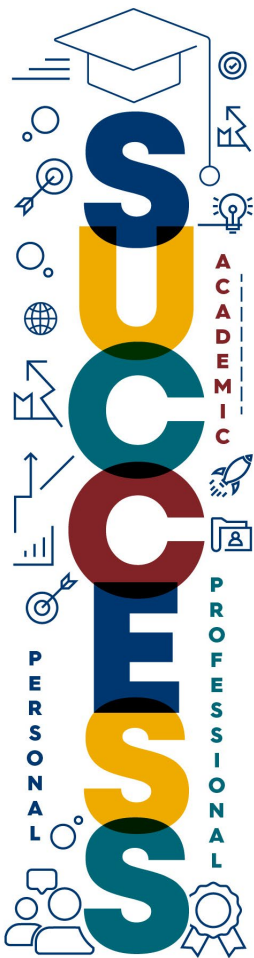
Double Major Mathematical Physics and Mathematics (Pure):

This option is only available to students who took the subjects Mathematical Physics and Mathematics in Year 1.

- Students must achieve an average of 80% across the subjects Mathematical Physics and Mathematics in Year 1.
- Students must also achieve at least 70% in both these subjects in Year 1.

Timetable group: 1










-  **BIOLOGY**
-  **CHEMISTRY**
-  **COMPUTER SCIENCE**
-  **ENGINEERING SCIENCE**
-  **EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS**
-  **MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS**
-  **MATHEMATICS**
-  **MATHEMATICS (PURE)**
-  **STATISTICS**



HOW DO I KNOW WHAT ELECTIVE STREAMS ARE AVAILABLE?

At the bottom of the subject options in Year 2 are the Elective streams , click on that to see the options available to you

Timetable group: 1

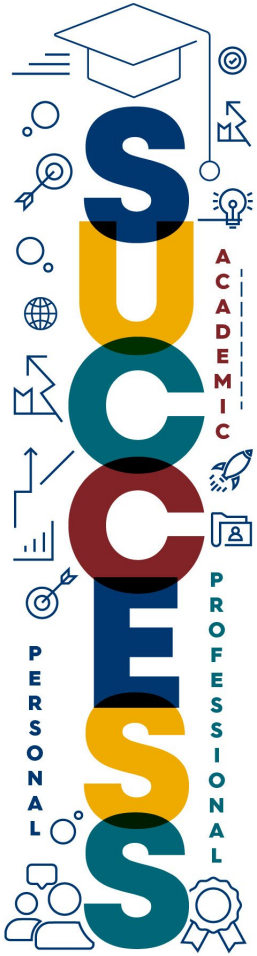
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-  **STATISTICS**

Timetable group: X
ELECTIVES

-  **ELECTIVE STREAMS**

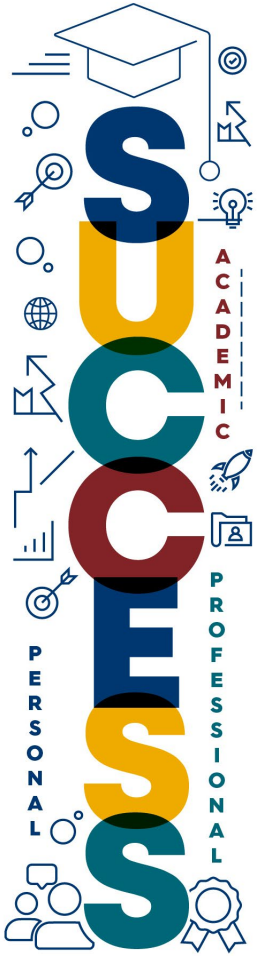
Timetable group: Other

-  **ELECTIVE STREAMS**



EXCEPTION TO THE RULE: SKILLS FOR SUCCESS

- Professional Development and Employability Skills module.
- 5 credits in either semester one or semester two.
- 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.



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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. An Elective is part of your 60 credits for Year 2.

Q. Can I change my Elective in September?

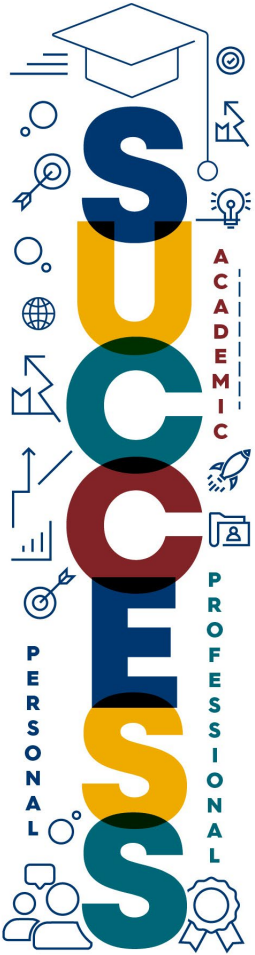
A. Yes, but keep in mind there may be limited places in some Electives.

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 module.

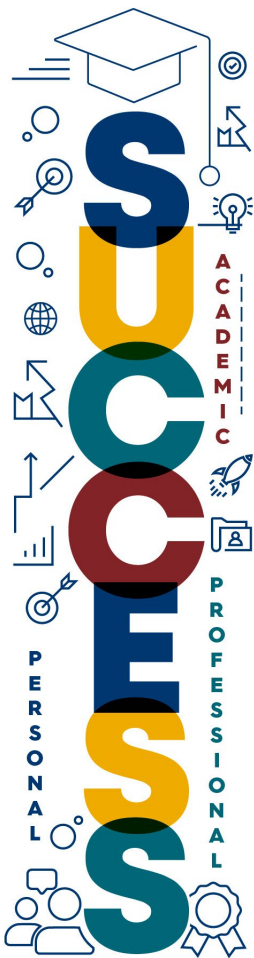


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Ts & Cs APPLY

- Registration for all modules are subject to the usual timetable viability and requirements in your main subjects.
- Ensure you read the rules, if any mentioned, on [Course Finder](#) for year 2 and also within the subject information.
- **NOTE:** Electives are not available on every programme.



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Open the drop down menu



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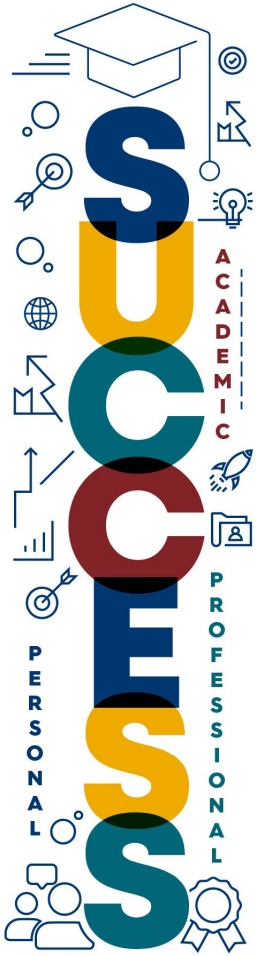
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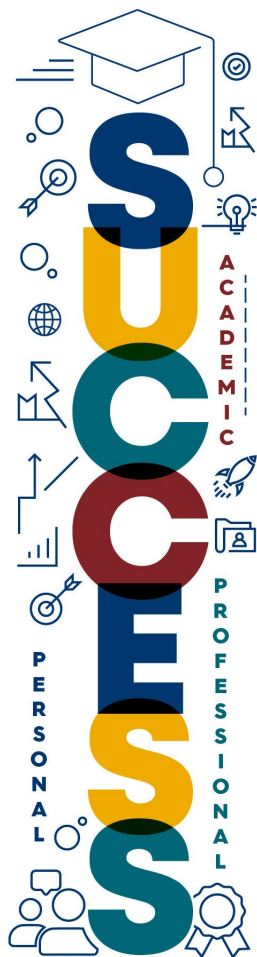


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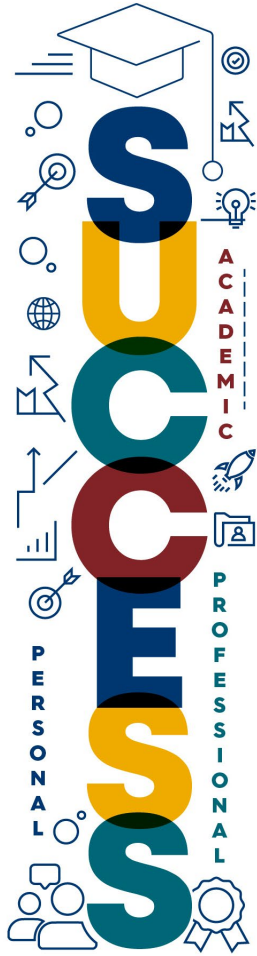
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Choose the For Current Students option from the drop down menu

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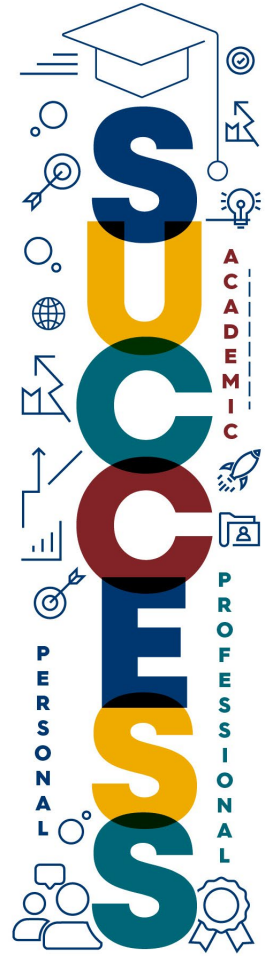
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1. Select Timetable. Continue.
2. Select Timetable Viewer on the right-hand side of the page.
3. Select the 'Lecture' tab on the far left.
4. Choose your course from the drop-down menu. Continue.
5. Select Semester 1 /Semester 2 or All (recommended). 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 2024.

MARKS & STANDARDS

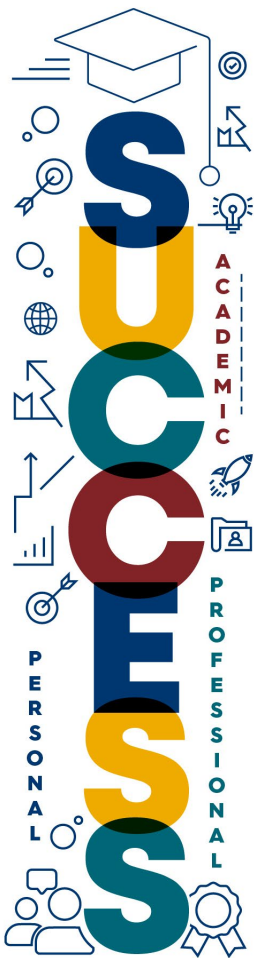
All years after first year contribute to your final degree result.
Your elective modules contribute to your degree grade.
See Marks and Standards available [here](#) for further information.

Three year degree

Year 2	30%
Year 3	70%

Four year degree

Year 2	10%
Year 3	20%
Year 4	70%



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ANY QUESTIONS? OUR CONTACT DETAILS

Email: programme.choices@mu.ie

Webpage: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office

Query Form: Available on our website above

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