





Subject & Module Choice in Second year for Science Students
Programme Advisory Team

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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



HOW AN ELECTIVE WORKS FOR SCIENCE



2nd Year

Subject 1 Subject 2 20 credits 20 credits

Subject 3 10 credits **Elective 10 credits**

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.

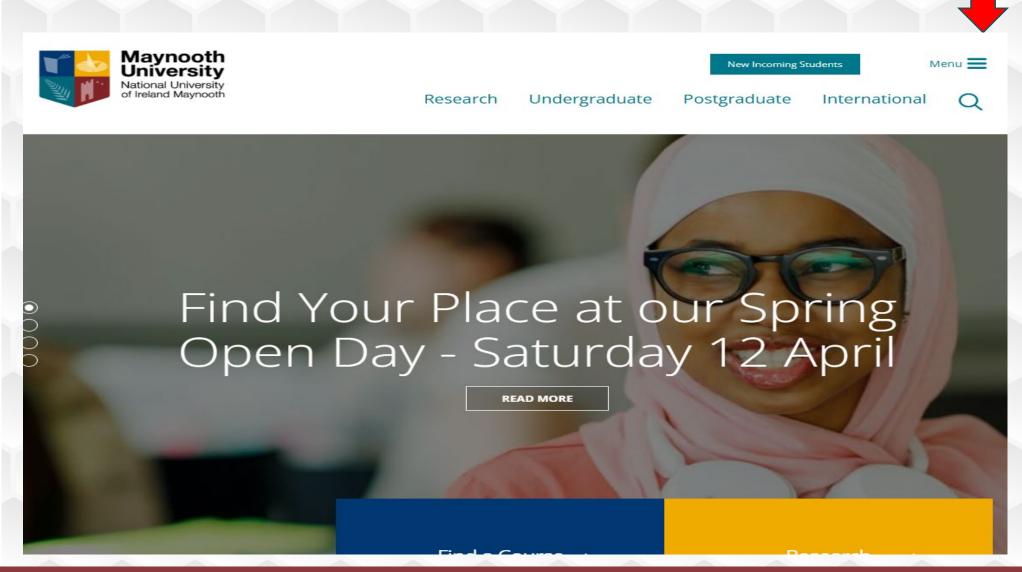
Denominated Programme

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



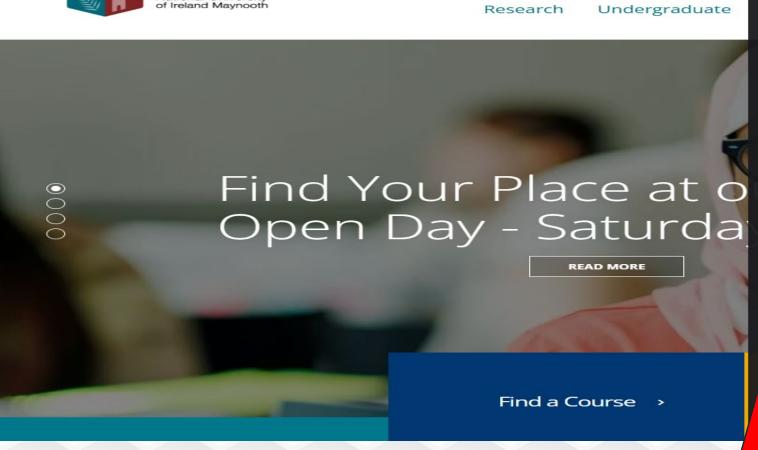


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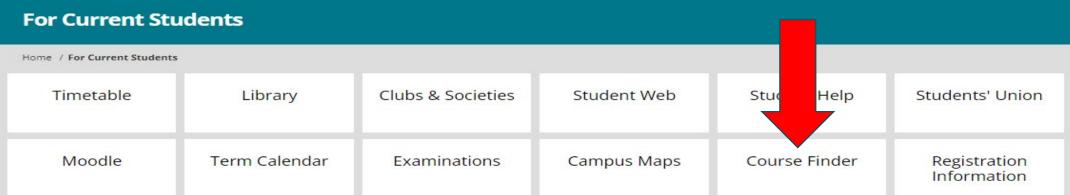
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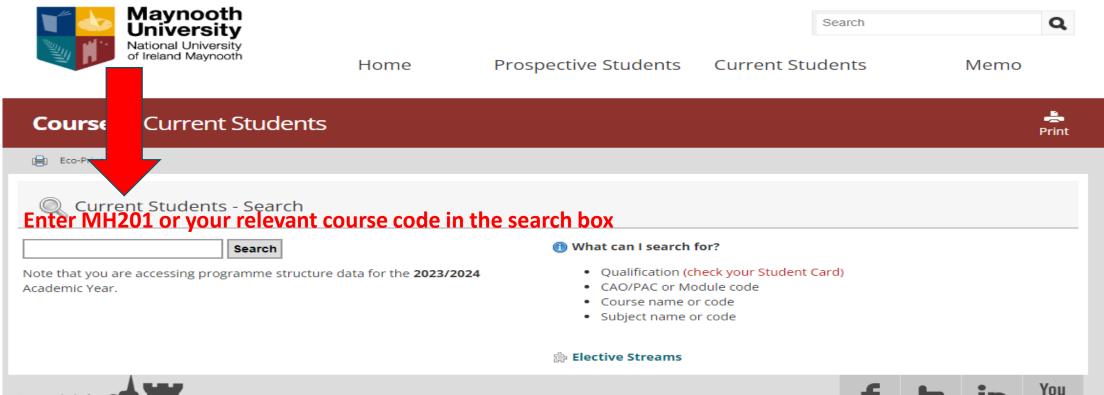








- For every student, <u>Course Finder</u> provides information on your pathways, subjects and modules in every year of study for your chosen programme.
- Search by course code (CAO code) or module code to find more information.







Award Type and NFQ Level: UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE (8)

Course code: SCI

CAO/PAC code: MH201

- Motes
 - **# 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

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)

SPECIFIC SUBJECT COMBINATIONS



NOTE: Read these rules as well and note their implications for you, if choosing those subjects.

Students must complete Engineering Science, Computer Science and Mathematics in order to be eligible to transfer into Year 2 of Electronic Engineering. The transfer is also subject to achieving a minimum grade at the first sitting as determined by Head of Department, you should contact the Engineering Department Admin Office to discuss this.

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 (CS) permission before registration.

Students who take 2nd Science Statistics Double Major or 2nd Science Statistics Minor must take 2nd Science Mathematics (MT2F20).

Statistics cannot be combined with Experimental Physics in Year 3 and 4.

Chemistry and Mathematical Physics are allowed in Year 2 but not in subsequent years.

NON PROGRESSING SUBJECT



• When you choose your subject, you will see two options. One is the Non Progressing subject and this will show you the modules that are available to choose from if selecting this option. The other option will show you the modules available for the subject if you are planning on continuing with that subject in subsequent years.

Biology as an example

BL2F10 - BIOLOGY

BL2F10 Non progression subject taken with an elective subject

	Module	♦ Code	+ Credits	Semester	+ Compulsory
(BIOCHEMISTRY 1	BI201	5	1	~
(MOLECULAR BIOLOGY OF THE CELL	BI210	5	2	~

Credits: 10 Not compulsory: 38

BL2F20 - BIOLOGY Credits: 20 Not compulsory: 💥

	♦ Module	♦ Code	+ Credits	♦ Semester	+ Compulsory
	BIOCHEMISTRY 1	BI201	5	1	>
	ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY	BI203	5	1	>
	EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY	BI204	5	2	✓
	MOLECULAR BIOLOGY OF THE CELL	BI210	5	2	>

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 BIOLOGY CHEMISTRY COMPUTER SCIENCE ENGINEERING SCIENCE **EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS** MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS MATHEMATICS MATHEMATICS (PURE) STATISTICS Timetable group: X **ELECTIVE STREAMS ELECTIVES** Timetable group: Other **@** ELECTIVE STREAMS

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.





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: allows 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.



HOW AN ELECTIVE WORKS FOR SCIENCE



Subject 1 Subject 2 Subject 2 20 credits 20 credits 10

Subject 3 Elective
10 credits 10 credits

Science students cannot progress with the subject studied at 10 credits (subject 3 in the example above) into your third and final year.

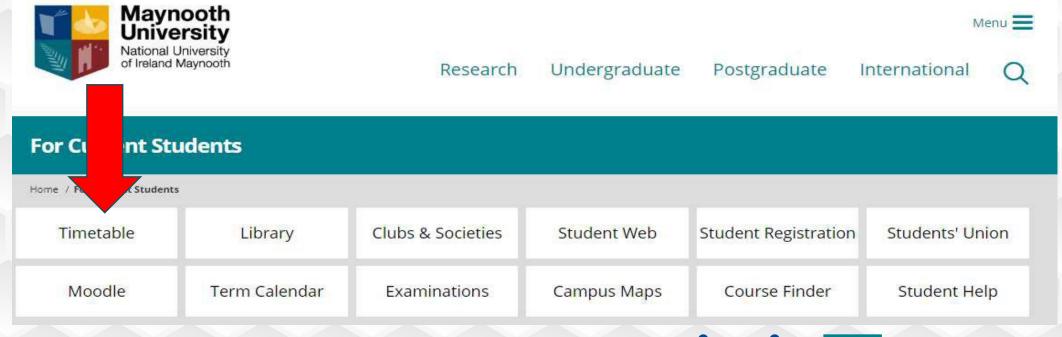
In **CourseFinder** this subject is referred to as **Non-Progression Subject**.



Ts & Cs APPLY

Registration for all modules are subject to usual timetable viability and requirements in your main subjects.

NOTE: Electives are not available on every programme.





ELECTIVES ON OFFER THIS YEAR

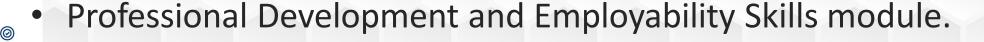


Some of the Electives this year include:

- Accounting in Society
- Beginners Chinese & German
- Continuing French/Spanish/German/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.



EXCEPTION TO THE RULE: SKILLS FOR SUCCESS



- 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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TRANSFER OPTIONS PROGRESSING FROM 1ST YEAR TO 2ND YEAR OF ANOTHER PROGRAMME



- All the details are available here on the Curriculum Office Webpage: https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/curriculum
- Details of programmes where an automatic transfer is available are detailed here: <u>MU Automatic Internal Transfer Options</u>
- All non-automatic transfers are dependent on places being available and your performance in the exams. The application form is linked on the above webpage.
- All queries can be sent to internaltransfers@mu.ie



MARKS & STANDARDS



All years after first year contribute to your final degree result. 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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Query Form: Available on our website above.

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