

## Students going on work placement or Erasmus year abroad

### BACKGROUND:

Several courses in Maynooth University offer a work placement or opportunity to travel and study abroad as part of the degree. Normally these are offered to third year students in a four year programme. Occasionally the placement or year abroad begins in early September, i.e. **before** the results from the resit autumn examination sessions have been released.

All students for whom placement or a year abroad is part of their programme, must register for Year 3 via the Student Web at the beginning of the academic year. Failure to register for Year 3 can mean that the year abroad or placement will not be recognized as part of their programme.

### RESULTS IN THE YEAR OF STUDY PRIOR TO WORK PLACEMENT OR STUDY ABROAD:

In order to be able to take up a work placement or to travel abroad (normally in year 3 of a 4-year programme), a student must have attained certain results in the preceding year (normally year 2). The University's [Marks & Standards](#) states "A student may normally progress to study abroad or a placement carrying a deficit of up to 10 credits" (page 11).

Annual result ( <i>in JUNE at end of year 2</i> )	Progression or non-progression result	Implications for work placement of study abroad ( <i>in year 3</i> )
Progress	Progression result	Eligible to take up work placement or study abroad
Restricted Compensation	Progression result	Eligible to take up work placement or study abroad
Restricted Deficit	Progression result	Eligible to take up work placement or study abroad
Restricted: No Progression	Non-Progression result	Student may apply to be allowed to progress to placement or study abroad carrying the deficit (no more than 10 credits). Approval is not automatic and is not always granted.* Student should also register for the Autumn resits in parallel.
Not Progress	Non-Progression result	Not eligible to take up work placement or study abroad

- To apply for permission to progress carrying up to a 10-credit deficit:  
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### NOTES

- Students who achieve a progression result following the [Autumn resits](#) may receive these results too late to commence placement or study abroad.
- If a student chooses to take up a work placement or to travel abroad without a progressing annual result they will not be registered as an MU student and may be obliged to return to Maynooth, at their own expense. The option to re-register to year 2 to repeat outstanding modules will normally be available.