YOUR MAYNOOTH EDUCATION

A GUIDE FOR FIRST YEAR ARTS STUDENTS (MH101) 2019-2020

Welcome to Maynooth University. The Maynooth Arts degree is a very flexible programme that gives you a wide range of options to customise your studies to match your own interests and goals. This guide is designed to explain your options, and to help you make choices that are right for you.
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We give you a very wide range of subjects to choose from, and you can combine them in a very flexible way. Of course there are some limits. No matter what subjects you select, you are expected to meet our high standards. In each subject there are specific topics that you are expected to study. But as far as possible, we want to let you decide. You don’t have to decide everything at once. You can take up to four subjects in first year, and take the time to decide what combination is right for you. We also let you change your mind in the first four weeks of first year’s semester one, so if you realise that a subject is not for you, you can choose an alternative. You can also make some changes to your choices at the start of the second semester.

When you begin second year you will be able to decide the structure of your degree (based on your subjects and results from first year). Most students take a two-subject degree from second year (Double major), but we let you decide if you would prefer to specialise in one subject with a little of another (Major with minor), or just specialise in one subject (Single major).

At the start of second year you’ll also have the opportunity to consider whether an Elective is something you would like to build in to that year’s programme.

CRITICAL SKILLS
In first year you also have the option of taking a subject called Critical Skills. This is an intensive course in the skills we expect a Maynooth graduate to have. This course will develop your ability to analyse ideas from different perspectives, develop your own position, and present your ideas clearly and convincingly. This is a first year course only and is available in every timetable group. It is taught in small groups and you can expect to do regular assignments in writing and in verbal presentation, to develop your skills in these important areas (See Section 3 for more detail).
GLOSSARY

Semester – We divide the academic year into two parts called semesters. The first semester runs from September to January, and the second semester runs from February to May.

Programme – The programme is the general term we use to describe what you study. Your programme leads to a degree, and the content will depend on the degree you are taking.

Subject – Many programmes are divided into different subjects. In most degrees you will graduate in either one or two subjects. However, you will often take more subjects in first year.

Module – Subjects are made up of modules. Each module is a substantial amount of study that is assessed separately. Together, they contribute to an overall subject mark.

Credits – The amount of work involved in a module is indicated by its credit weight. In first year, most modules are 7.5 credits, and after first year most modules are either 5 or 10 credits. We use the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), in which a normal year of full time study is 60 credits. In first year you will typically do eight modules, four in the first semester and four in the second semester.

Marks and Standards – The regulations that guide university assessment are called Marks and Standards. The full Marks and Standards document, plus a guide for students on assessment regulations are available on the University Policies page at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/university-policies/academic-policies-procedures

REGISTRATION

You must be registered for all the modules you are taking. This is extremely important. If you are not registered, you are not earning the credits for that module, and building towards your degree.

You register at the start of each academic year, but in first year we allow you to make changes up to the end of the fourth week of the first semester. This is to give you the time to make sure you have made the right choices. But remember, subjects are taught from the first day of lectures, so the later you leave it to firm up your choices, the more of a subject you may miss. Attending subject talks during Welcome Week of any of the subjects that you might be interested in taking is crucial to getting started on the right foot. When you register, you will first choose your subjects, and then choose the modules you want to take within those subjects.

In first year, you have a lot of choice of subjects. After first year you will have the opportunity to make a lot of choices within your subjects, and you will find that modules may be:

> Optional – you may take the module as part of the subject;
> Compulsory – you must take the module if you are taking the subject;
> Required – you must pass the module without compensation to continue in the subject.

More information about compensation is on the University policies page at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/university-policies/rules-regulations-students
YOUR FIRST YEAR CHOICES
Most Arts (MH101) students take two subjects from second year to degree level, but in some subjects there is a Single major available if you want to specialise in one subject from second year.

In first year you can use your options to explore a range of subjects, or to specialise in the subjects that interest you most. You can use this choice to find out what best suits you, and to build a range of skills and expertise for your future. The online Course Finder tool is available via the ‘For Current Students’ tab on Maynooth University website and is where you will find details on subjects, timetable groups, Critical Skills and subject compatibility.

We advise you to study your options there carefully before and during Welcome Week.

You can also check the prospectus and department websites. Study your Welcome Week schedule in the First Week Guide booklet to start planning the subject talks you’re going to visit. You can also speak to the Programme Advisory Office about your options. Staff from the Programme Advisory Office will be available during Welcome Week and throughout your time at the University.

First year has been designed to allow you a chance to explore. In total, you register for 60 credits. As most subjects are 15 credits, you can choose a maximum of four subjects. Some subjects offer a “double subject” of 30 credits in first year, so if you have a particular interest in that subject, you can make sure you take more of it. You can also take a 15-credit Critical Skills course if you wish. See Section 3 for more about Critical Skills courses.

The following table illustrates the different combinations available to you in first year

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<td>A double subject, one other subject and Critical Skills (1 x 30 credits and 2 x 15 credits)</td>
<td>In this option you take two subjects along with the Critical Skills first year course</td>
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<td>Two double subjects (2 x 30 credits)</td>
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### Subjects available as a double subject

The following subjects are available as a 30-credit option in first year

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<td>Geography</td>
<td>15 credit subject - can be taken in either Group 1 or Group 6&lt;br&gt;30 credit option in Groups 1 and 6&lt;br&gt;From second year Geography will be timetabled in Group 1 and therefore you should not take another Group 1 subject along with Geography.</td>
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<td>15 credit subject in Group 1&lt;br&gt;30 credit option in Groups 1 and 7</td>
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<td>Spanish</td>
<td>15 credit subject in Group 5&lt;br&gt;(advanced i.e. Leaving Certificate or equivalent H5 Spanish)&lt;br&gt;30 credit subject in Groups 5 and 7 (for beginners only).</td>
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COMBINATIONS OF SUBJECTS YOU CAN CHOOSE

Subjects are organised into timetable groups. The subjects in a group are scheduled at the same times, so you may not choose more than one subject from any group. The following table shows the timetable groups. You can take any combination, as long as there is no timetable clash.

NOTE

1. Subjects available as ‘double subjects’ (30 credits) are marked with ◆. These subjects need extra class times, normally scheduled in Groups 6 or 7.

2. German and Spanish offer a 30 credit first year option for beginners in the language (marked with ●). You must take this 30-credit option if you are a beginner in German or Spanish. If you have studied these languages before, you must take the 15 credit option.

3. Critical Skills courses can be taken in any timetable group.

4. Many subjects have recommended minimum entry requirements. These include Accounting, Business, Economics, Finance, German (Advanced), Mathematical Studies, Music and Spanish (Advanced). There are minimum entry requirements that you must meet in order to register for French, Mathematics (Pure) and Nua Ghaeilge.
# Timetable Groups

## Group 1
- Geography
- German
- Law
- Mathematics (Pure) (Groups 1+3)
- Philosophy
- Critical Skills

## Group 2
- Business (International)
- Business (Management)
- Business (Marketing)
- Criminology
- European Studies (15 credits across Groups 2+6)
- Greek
- History
- Critical Skills

## Group 3
- English
- International Development
- Mathematical Studies
- Mathematics (Pure) (Groups 1+3)
- Critical Skills

## Group 4
- Anthropology
- Economics
- Finance
- Latin
- Music Technology
- Nua-Ghaeilge
- Critical Skills

## Group 5
- Computer Science
- Critical Skills
- Music
- Sociology
- Spanish

## Group 6
- Accounting
- Chinese Studies
- European Studies (15 credits across Groups 2+6)
- French
- Greek & Roman Civilization
- Mathematical Physics
- Media & Cultural Studies
- Medieval Celtic Studies
- Old Irish and Celtic Languages
- Politics
- Psychological Studies
- Statistics
- Business (extra 15)
- English (extra 15)
- Geography (optional 15)
- Critical Skills

## Group 7
- Only relevant if taking a 30 credit option in these subjects:
  - Anthropology (extra 15)
  - Computer Science (extra 15)
  - German (extra 15)
  - History (extra 15)
  - International Development (extra 15)
  - Law (extra 15)
  - Spanish (extra 15)

### Symbols:
- ○ This subject can be taken as a double subject
- ● 30 credits required for beginners in this language
- ■ 30 credits must be taken in this subject
- (extra 15) This indicates the timetable group of the extra 15 credits if taking 30 credits of the subject
- (optional 15) This indicates an additional 15 credits of a subject which can be taken as part of a 30 credit subject, or taken alone as a first year subject
SECTION 2
SUBJECT BY SUBJECT SUMMARY
SUBJECT SUMMARY

You can use these tables as a guide to check out the possibilities in the subjects that interest you.

This information is the latest available at time of publication, and may be subject to some changes. For subject specific content queries, don’t forget to consult individual department websites via the Maynooth University homepage at www.maynoothuniversity.ie, to attend the subject talks during Welcome Week and to use the online Course Finder tool apps.maynoothuniversity.ie/courses

Before you start, here is a reminder of our terminology:

> **Double major**
  You take two subjects to degree level, with equal study of each.

> **Single major**
  You specialise in one subject after first year.

> **Major with minor**
  The major takes roughly two thirds of your study after first year, and you take a second subject as a minor.

> **Minor**
  A minor involves about one third of your time, and is intended for people who are specialising in their major, but who also want some expertise in a second subject.

AMENDING YOUR REGISTRATION

Remember, you can make changes in your subject choices during the first four weeks of the first semester. In some subjects, if you initially register for 15 credits you may be able to take up an additional 7.5 credit module in the second semester. Where this possibility exists, we have included a note in the subject tables that follow. Of course, this means dropping one of the modules you had planned to take, and so is not something you should do without taking advice.

The Programme Advisory Office and your departments are there to guide and advise you and we recommend that you consult with them before making second semester registration amendments. Some changes you will be able to make yourself online, others require the written permission of the department involved.
# Accounting

## FIRST YEAR

**Subject Code:** AC1F15

Accounting is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

15 credits: Timetable Group 6

**Recommended minimum entry**

Leaving Certificate O4/H7 Mathematics.

**Second semester amendment**

There may be an opportunity to take an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting in the second semester in order to meet transfer conditions to another designated accounting programme in second year.

Transfer options are detailed in the right hand column and interested students should contact the Department of Economics, Finance and Accounting.

## SECOND YEAR

**Progression options**

You can progress with Accounting within MH101 to the following:

- **Double major**

**Transfer Options**

### BA Accounting and Finance

To transfer **you must**:

1. Have passed the subject Economics/Finance in first year, and
2. Achieve an average of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15 credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).

### BBS Business and Accounting

To transfer **you must**:

1. Achieve a mark of at least 60% in 15 credit Business Management/ Business Marketing / Business (International Business) in first year, and
2. Achieve an average of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15 credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).

### BCL Law and Accounting

To transfer **you must**:

1. Have passed Law (30 credits) in first year, and
2. Achieve an average mark of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15 credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).
# Anthropology

## FIRST YEAR

Subject Code: **AN1V30**

Anthropology is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits).

- **15 credits:** Timetable Group 4
- **30 credits:** Timetable Groups 4 & 7

### Second semester amendment

If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like Anthropology, it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of Anthropology at the beginning of the second semester.

## SECOND YEAR

Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Anthropology within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Single major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**
## Business (International Business)

### FIRST YEAR

**Subject Code:** MN1IV30

Business (International Business) is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits made up of two Business modules and additional modules in Accounting and Economics).

- **15 credits:** Timetable Group 2
- **30 credits:** Timetable Groups 2 and 6

### Notes

- 30 credit option not suitable for students who are taking the subjects Accounting or Economics/Finance in first year as some modules will be duplicated.
- Not suitable if you are planning to become a post-primary teacher of Business.

### Recommended minimum entry

Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O4/H7 Mathematics.

### Second semester amendment

If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like Business (International Business), it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of the extra Business option (an Economics module) at the beginning of the second semester.

### SECOND YEAR

**Progression options**

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Business (International Business) within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

### Transfer Options

**Single major BBS or BBA programmes**

To transfer **you must:**

1. Have passed all modules in the 30-credit Business (International Business) option, or
2. Have passed both modules in the 15-credit Business (International Business) option and passed Accounting and passed Economics/Finance.

**BBS Business and Accounting**

To transfer **you must:**

1. Have a subject mark of at least 60% in the 15-credit Business subject in first year, and
2. Have taken 22.5 credits of Accounting (i.e. 15 credit Accounting subject and the additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year), and have a subject mark of at least 60% in Accounting.

**BCL Law and Business**

To transfer **you must:**

1. have passed 30 credits of Law, and
2. have passed 30 credits of Business.
Business (Management)

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **MN1MV30**

Business (Management) is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits made up of two Business modules and additional modules in Accounting and Economics).

- **15 credits: Timetable Group 2**
- **30 credits: Timetable Groups 2 and 6**

**Notes**
Not suitable for students who are taking the subjects Accounting or Economics/Finance in first year as some modules will be duplicated.

If you are planning to become a post-primary teacher of Business, you should take this 30-credit option to ensure that you can meet the Teaching Council requirements.

**Recommended minimum entry**
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O4/H7 Mathematics.

**Second semester amendment**
If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like Business (Management), it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of the extra Business option (an Economics module) at the beginning of the second semester.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Business (Management) within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

**Transfer Options**

**Single major BBS or BBA programmes**
To transfer you must:

1. Have passed all modules in the 30-credit Business (Management) option, or
2. Have passed both modules in the 15-credit Business (Management) option and passed Accounting and passed Economics/Finance.

**BBS Business and Accounting**
To transfer you must:

1. Have a subject mark of at least 60% in the 15-credit Business subject in first year, and
2. Have taken 22.5 credits of Accounting (i.e. 15 credit Accounting subject and the additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year), and have a subject mark of at least 60% in Accounting.

**BCL Law and Business**
To transfer you must:

1. Have passed 30 credits of Law, and
2. Have passed 30 credits of Business.
Business (Marketing)

**FIRST YEAR**
Subject Code: **MN1KV30**

Business (Marketing) is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits made up of two Business modules and additional modules in Accounting and Economics).

**15 credits: Timetable Group 2**
**30 credits: Timetable Groups 2 and 6**

**Notes**
Not suitable for students who are taking the subjects Accounting or Economics/Finance in first year as some modules will be duplicated.

Not suitable if you are planning to become a post-primary teacher of Business.

**Recommended minimum entry**
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O4/H7 Mathematics.

**Second semester amendment**
If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like Business (Marketing), it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of the extra Business option (an Economics module) at the beginning of the second semester.

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**SECOND YEAR**
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Business (Marketing) within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

**Transfer Options**

**Single major BBS or BBA programmes**
To transfer you must:

1. Have passed all modules in the 30-credit Business (Marketing) option, or
2. Have passed both modules in the 15-credit Business (Marketing) option and passed Accounting and passed Economics/Finance.

**BBS Business and Accounting**
To transfer you must:

1. Have a subject mark of at least 60% in the 15-credit Business subject in first year, and
2. Have taken 22.5 credits of Accounting (i.e. 15 credit Accounting subject and the additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year), and have a subject mark of at least 60% in Accounting.

**BCL Law and Business**
To transfer you must:

1. Have passed 30 credits of Law, and
2. Have passed 30 credits of Business.
### Chinese Studies

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **CN1F15**

Chinese Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
**15 credits: Timetable Group 6**

**Notes**  
Includes two ‘required’ modules.  
Students taking a language are expected to travel abroad in Year 3 and transfer to the BA (International) four-year degree programme.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with Chinese Studies within MH101 to either of the following:  
> Double major  
> Minor

### Computer Science

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **CS1V30**

Computer Science is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject 30 credits).  
**15 credits: Timetable Group 5**  
**30 credits: Timetable Groups 5 and 7**

**Recommended minimum entry**  
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O3/H7 Mathematics.

**Second semester amendment**  
If you have initially selected the 15-credit option, and you particularly like Computer Science, it may be permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of Computer Science, with written permission only, at the beginning of the second semester.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Computer Science within MH101 to any of the following:  
> Double major  
> Major with minor  
> Minor

**Transfer Options**  
**Computer Science & Software Engineering or Multimedia, Mobile and Web Development**  
To transfer you must:  
1. Have passed 30 credits of Computer Science and passed the subject Mathematical Studies, or  
2. Have passed 15-credit Computer Science subject, plus passed 7.5 credits of Computer Science in the second semester (CS172), plus have passed the subject Mathematical Studies.
Criminology

**FIRST YEAR**
Subject Code: **LW1CF15**
Criminology is available as a standard subject (15 credits).
**15 credits: Timetable Group 2**

**SECOND YEAR**
Progression options
You can progress with Criminology within MH101 to any of the following:
- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

Transfer Options
**BCL Law and Criminology**
To transfer **you must**:
Have also passed 30 credits of Law in first year.
If transferring to the BCL, you will continue with Criminology (30 credits) and Law (30 credits).
The BCL is approved by the Honorable Society of Kings Inns, allowing graduates to sit the entrance examinations for entry to the barristers’ profession.
# Economics

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> Double major  
> Single major  
> Major with minor  
> Minor |
| **Recommended minimum entry** | You can also transfer to Finance within MH101 (Double major, Single major, Major with minor and Minor). |
| Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O4/H7 Mathematics. | **Transfer Options** |

### BA Finance

To transfer **you must**:

1. Achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15-credit Economics/Finance subject, and  
2. Have passed Accounting (at least 15 credits).

### BA Accounting and Finance

To transfer **you must**:

1. Have passed the subject Economics/Finance in first year, and  
2. Achieve an average of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15-credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).

You may also transfer to the **BA International Finance and Economics** after first year. To transfer **you must**:

1. Achieve an average of at least 50% in your 15 credit Economics/Finance subject, and  
2. Have passed 15 credits of Maths.

Depending on your other subjects, two routes are possible - Single major or a Major with minor degree.

### BA Quantitative Finance

It may be possible to transfer from MH101 Arts to MH402 Quantitative Finance in second year if you have passed the subjects Computer Science, Mathematical Studies and Economics/Finance in first year. Interested students should contact the department for details.
## English

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **EN1V30**

English is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits).  
**15 credits: Timetable Group 3**  
**30 credits: Timetable Groups 3 and 6**

**Second semester amendment**  
If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like English, it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of English at the beginning of the second semester.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with English within MH101 to any of the following:  
> **Double major**  
> **Single major**  
To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in English in first year.  
> **Major with minor**  
> **Minor**

## European Studies

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **ES1F15**

European Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
**15 credits: Timetable Groups 2 and 6**

**Recommended**  
Taking European Studies in conjunction with Spanish or German.

**Note**  
You should check that your first year subject selection gives you valid second year progression options.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with European Studies within MH101 to:  
> **Double major**
# Finance

## FIRST YEAR

**Subject Code:** FN1F15

Finance is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

**15 credits: Timetable Group 4**

**Recommended minimum entry**
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O4/H7 Mathematics.

## SECOND YEAR

**Progression options**

You can progress with Finance within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Single major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

You can also transfer to Finance within MH101 (Double major, Single major, Major with minor and Minor).

**Transfer Options**

### BA Finance

To transfer **you must:**

1. Achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15-credit Economics/Finance subject, and
2. Have passed Accounting (at least 15 credits).

### BA Accounting and Finance

To transfer **you must:**

1. Have passed the subject Economics/Finance in first year, and
2. Achieve an average of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15-credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).

You may also transfer to the **BA International Finance and Economics** after first year. To transfer **you must:**

1. Achieve an average of at least 50% in your 15 credit Economics/Finance subject, and
2. Have passed 15 credits of Maths.

Depending on your other subjects, two routes are possible - Single major or a Major with minor degree.

### BA Quantitative Finance

It may be possible to transfer from MH101 Arts to MH402 Quantitative Finance in second year if you have passed the subjects Computer Science, Mathematical Studies and Economics/Finance in first year. Interested students should contact the department for details.
### French

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: FR1F15

French is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
**15 credits: Timetable Group 6**

**Notes**  
Includes one ‘required’ module.  
Students taking a language are expected to travel abroad in Year 3 and transfer to the BA (International) four-year degree programme.

**Minimum entry requirement**  
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) H5 French.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with French within MH101 to either of the following:  
> Double major  
> Minor

### Geography

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: GY1V30

Geography is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits).  
**15 credits (two options):**  
- Living Landscapes (Group 1, 15 credits), or  
- Global Environments (Group 6, 15 credits).

**30 credits:**  
Living Landscapes and Global Environments (Groups 1 and 6).

**Note**  
If you have written permission, you can combine Geography with another subject in Group 1.

**Second semester amendment**  
If you initially selected the 15-credit option, and you particularly like Geography, it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of Geography, with written permission only, at the beginning of the second semester.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

Whichever option you chose, (15 credits Group 1/Group 6), or 30 credits Geography), you can progress with Geography within MH101 to any of the following:  
> Double major  
> Single major  
To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 60% in Geography in first year.  
> Major with minor  
> Minor

**Note**  
From second year, Geography is timetabled in Group 1.
German

FIRST YEAR
Subject Code: GN1F30 (Beginners)
    GN1F15 (Non-beginners)

German is available as a standard subject (15 credits, Non-beginners) or as a double subject (Beginners only, 30 credits).

15 credits: Timetable Group 1
30 credits: Timetable Groups 1 and 7

Notes
Beginners must take 30-credit option.
Non-beginners must take 15-credit option.

Each option (15 credit/30 credit) includes one ‘required’ module.

Students taking a language are expected to travel abroad in Year 3 and transfer to the BA (International) four-year degree programme.

Recommended minimum entry
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) H5 German.

SECOND YEAR
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with German within MH101 to either of the following:
> Double major
> Minor
# Greek

## FIRST YEAR

Subject Code: **GR1F15**

Greek is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

*15 credits: Timetable Group 2*

**Note**

Suitable for beginners.

## SECOND YEAR

Progression options

You can progress with Greek within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
  - 40 credit Greek major cannot be combined with subjects in Group 6.
- **Minor**

**Transfer Options**

**BA Classics**

To transfer you must:

Have passed two of the following subjects in first year - Greek, Latin or Greek & Roman Civilization.
## Greek & Roman Civilization

### FIRST YEAR
Subject Code: **GC1F15**

Greek & Roman Civilization is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

*15 credits: Timetable Group 6*

### SECOND YEAR
Progression options

You can progress with Greek & Roman Civilization within MH101 to either of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Minor**

### Transfer Options

**BA Classics**

To transfer you must:

- Have passed two of the following subjects in first year - Greek, Latin or Greek & Roman Civilization.

**Note**

If you only took Greek & Roman Civilization in first year, you must achieve at least 60% in that subject in first year to qualify to transfer. You will commence the study of Latin or Greek in second year.

## History

### FIRST YEAR
Subject Code: **HY1V30**

History is available as a standard subject (15 credits) or as a double subject (30 credits).

*15 credits: Timetable Group 2*

*30 credits: Timetable Groups 2 and 7*

### SECOND YEAR
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with History within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Single major**
  To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in History in first year.
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

**Second semester amendment**

If you initially selected the 15-credit option, and you particularly like History, it may be permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of History, with written permission only, at the beginning of the second semester.
## International Development

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## Latin

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**Transfer Options**

**BA Classics**

To transfer you must:

Have passed two of the following subjects in first year - Greek, Latin or Greek & Roman Civilization.
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**Notes**
With either option, you can proceed with Law as a subject in your BA degree or you can transfer to the BCL or LLB degrees after first year.

The BCL and LLB degrees are approved by the Honorable Society of Kings Inns, allowing graduates to sit the entrance examinations for entry to the barristers' profession.

**Second semester amendment**
If you initially selected the 15-credit option, and you particularly like Law, it is permitted to register for an additional 7.5 credits of Law at the beginning of the second semester.

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**Transfer Options**

**LLB Single major**
Note, this is a four year degree programme.

**BCL Major**
Law, 40 credits and one other Arts subject, 20 credits.

**Additional Transfer Options**
Only available if you took 30 credits of Law in first year.

**BCL Double major**
Law and one other Arts subject.

**BCL Law and Accounting**
To transfer you must:
Achieve an average mark of at least 60% in your Accounting modules (i.e. 22.5 credits made up of 15 credit Accounting subject and an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting available in the second semester of first year).

**BCL Law and Business**
You must also have passed 30 credits of Business in first year.

**BCL Law and Criminology**
To transfer you must:
Have passed 15 credits of Criminology in first year.

**Note**
If you took the 15 credit option in first year, you may only transfer to a Major BCL (40 credit Law), or the Single major LLB.
## Mathematical Physics

### FIRST YEAR
**Subject Code:** MPF15

Mathematical Physics is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

**15 credits: Timetable Group 6**

**Recommended minimum entry**
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O3/H7 Mathematics.

### SECOND YEAR
**Progression options**

You can progress with Mathematical Physics within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Single major**
  To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 60% in Mathematical Physics in first year.
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

## Mathematical Studies

### FIRST YEAR
**Subject Code:** MSF15

Mathematical Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

**15 credits: Timetable Group 3**

**Recommended minimum entry**
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O3/H7 Mathematics.

**Note**
Students with Leaving Certificate H2 (or equivalent) could register for Mathematics (Pure) instead of Mathematical Studies, that is 30 credits of Mathematics in first year.

### SECOND YEAR
**Progression options**

You can progress with Mathematical Studies within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**
# Mathematics (Pure)

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **MT1F30**

30 credits Mathematics: Timetable Groups 1 and 3

The remaining 30 credits selected from other Arts subjects.

**Minimum entry requirement**  
Leaving Certificate H2 Mathematics.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

- You can progress with a **Double major** in Mathematics (Pure). To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year.

- **Major Mathematics (Pure) with minor** in another subject. To take this option you must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year.

**Note**  
If you do not achieve at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year and wish to continue with Mathematics, you must transfer to the double major Mathematical Studies and one of your other first year subjects, or progress to a Double major degree in two of your first year subjects.

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# Media & Cultural Studies

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **MD1F15**

Media & Cultural Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
15 credits: Timetable Group 6

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with Media & Cultural Studies within MH101 to either of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Minor**

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# Medieval Celtic Studies

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: **SG1F15**

Medieval Celtic Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
15 credits: Timetable Group 6

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with Medieval Celtic Studies within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**
### Music

#### FIRST YEAR

Subject Code: **MU1F15**

Music is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

*15 credits: Timetable Group 6*

#### SECOND YEAR

Progression options

You can progress with Music within MH101 to any of the following:

- **Double major**
- **Major with minor**
- **Minor**

### Music Technology

#### FIRST YEAR

Subject Code: **MU1TF15**

Music Technology is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

*15 credits: Timetable Group 4*

#### SECOND YEAR

Progression options

You can progress with Music Technology within MH101 to either the following:

- **Double major**
- **Minor**

### Nua-Ghaeilge (Modern Irish)

#### AN CHÉAD BHLIAIN

Cód ábhair: **NG1F15**

Tá an Nua-Ghaeilge ar fáil mar ábhar caighdeánach (15 chreidiúint).

*15 chreidiúint: Grúpa Amchláir 4*

**Nóta**

Tá an dá mhodúl ‘riachtanach’.

**Íosriachtanas iontrála:**

TH5 (sa Ghaeilge) ag leibhéal na hArdteistiméireachta de dhíth.

#### AN DARA BHLIAIN

Bealaí chun cinn

Is féidir leanúint le do chuid staidéir ar an Nua-Ghaeilge laistigh de MH101 agus dul le:

- **Dhá mhórábhar**
- **Mórábhar le mionábhar**
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**Politics**

**FIRST YEAR**
Subject Code: **PO1F15**

Politics is available as a standard subject (15 credits).
15 credits: Timetable Group 6

**SECOND YEAR**
Progression options

You can progress with Politics within MH101 to any of the following:
- Double major
- Major with minor
  40 credit Major (Politics) cannot be taken with subjects in Group 5.
- Minor

**Psychological Studies**

**FIRST YEAR**
Subject Code: **PS1F15**

Psychological Studies is available as a standard subject (15 credits).
15 credits: Timetable Group 6

**Note**
Both modules are required modules.

**SECOND YEAR**
Progression options

You can progress with Psychological Studies within MH101 to the following:
- Double major

**Note**
A Double major in Psychological Studies will not lead to an accredited Psychology degree. However, you could pursue this at a later date through postgraduate study.

**Sociology**

**FIRST YEAR**
Subject Code: **SO1F15**

Sociology is available as a standard subject (15 credits).
15 credits: Timetable Group 5

**SECOND YEAR**
Progression options

You can progress with Sociology within MH101 to any of the following:
- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor
### Spanish

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: SPA1F30 (Beginners)  
SPA1F15 (Non-beginners)

Spanish is available as a standard subject (15 credits, Non-beginners) or as a double subject (30 credits, Beginners only).  
**15 credits:** Timetable Group 5  
**30 credits:** Timetable Groups 5 and 7

**Note**  
Beginners must take 30 credit option.  
Non-beginners must take 15 credit option.  
Each option (15 credit/30 credit) contains one ‘required’ module.

Students taking a language are expected to travel abroad in Year 3 and transfer to the BA (International) four-year degree programme.

**Recommended minimum entry requirement**  
(15 credit option, Non-beginners) Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) H5 Spanish.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Spanish to either of the following:  
> Double major  
> Minor

### Statistics

**FIRST YEAR**  
Subject Code: ST1F15

Statistics is available as a standard subject (15 credits).  
**15 credits:** Timetable Group 6

**Note**  
You must register for Statistics along with Mathematical Studies OR Mathematics (Pure) – first year only.

**Recommended minimum entry**  
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent) O3/H7 Mathematics.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Progression options

You can progress with Statistics within MH101 to any of the following:  
> Double major  
> Major with minor  
> Minor

**Note**  
If you wish to take Statistics in second year as a Double major, Major with minor or Minor you must have passed the subject Mathematical Studies or Mathematics (Pure) in first year.
There are some skills that we regard as critical for a university education and that every university graduate should have. These are also skills that are highly valued by today’s employers. You will have to be able to deal with complex arguments, evaluate evidence and make balanced judgements, and communicate ideas clearly, both verbally and in writing. Because these skills are so important, both in university and beyond, we are offering a specially designed foundation course for first year students in Critical Skills.
The first year Critical Skills courses will be on offer as a 15-credit option and you can choose to take a Critical Skills course as one of your credit-bearing courses in first year. It will involve small group sessions every week, which will give you an opportunity to develop and practice these essential skills right from the outset.

For 2019-20 the course is offered in many thematic versions and one universal version. The thematic versions develop the critical skills through the study of a specific topic. The universal Critical Skills course develops these skills through more general material, and the topics you are studying in your other subjects. The thematic Critical Skills are offered in specific timetable groups, and the universal critical skills course is available in all timetable groups. You can find out more about Critical Skills during Welcome Week and at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/criticalskills

**UNIVERSAL CRITICAL SKILLS (UNIVERSITY LEARNING AND BEYOND)**
This course develops critical skills through work on material you are studying in your other subjects. This option is suitable for students of all disciplines. *Available in all timetable groups.*

**THEMATIC OPTIONS**

> **Exploring the Power of Language, Literature and Culture**
This course introduces students to the skills necessary for exploring language as a system and its use in examples of film, literature, and culture.

> **Digital Critical Skills**
The digital critical skills stream aims to train students in basic practical digital literacy skills such as coding, image and audio editing as well as providing them with an introduction to core web tools and techniques as well as the ethics of technology.

> **Social Analysis of Everyday Life**
This course develops critical skills through engagement, analysis, and reflection upon current political, economic, and social issues — such as sustainability and social justice.

> **Culture and representation**
This course develops critical skills through engaging with different media formats in order to explore culture and cultural difference, with a special emphasis on anthropological research.

> **Uncovering Scientific Evidence**
This course uses science to explore and develop writing, research, and public speaking skills.

> **Creative Thinking & Problem Solving**
Creativity makes novel, original and appropriate connections and brings new ideas into the world. This course will build two things for you — your creative competence (your ability to generate novel ideas and solutions) and your creative confidence.
AS AN ARTS STUDENT AT MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY, YOU HAVE THE OPTION OF STUDYING ABROAD AS PART OF YOUR DEGREE AND EARNING A BA INTERNATIONAL
This is a four-year degree programme. You complete two years at Maynooth, study abroad at one of our partner universities in third year and return to Maynooth for your fourth and final year. You don’t need to decide right now if you would like to take the BA International – you can make your mind up in second year.

Maynooth University has nearly 200 partner universities in 36 countries across four continents. You can choose to study in another European country through the Erasmus+ programme or you can take the Study Abroad option and study at a partner university outside Europe. Our partner universities include Boston College, University of Miami, University of Toronto, University of Notre Dame (Australia), Nanyang Technological University, LMU Munich, ESC Rennes, University of Vienna, and University of Sao Paolo, to name but a few.

Studying abroad has positive effects on students’ personal and educational development, and students who study abroad enjoy enhanced graduate employment prospects. Employers highly value the transferable skills gained by students during their time abroad, including international experience, adaptability, problem-solving skills, networking and communication, language skills, confidence, curiosity and openness.

You don’t need to speak a foreign language to be able to study abroad. Approximately 50% of Maynooth students studying abroad do so through the medium of English in countries where English is not the first language. Depending on which subject(s) you take on your Arts degree, some partner universities may be more suitable for you than others.

When you study abroad at one of MU’s partner universities on an exchange programme, you do not have to pay any tuition fees to your host university, though you may be required to pay a small registration or student service fee. You will continue to pay your usual registration fees to MU and you will still need to register online with MU (as normal).

You will be invited to apply for study abroad opportunities early in second year. The International Office holds a Study Abroad fair in October where you can talk to Maynooth students who have studied abroad and also international students from our partner universities who are studying at Maynooth. The International Office will support you through the application process and help you on your way to your international year abroad.

Studying abroad is enjoyable and challenging. It is a great way to enrich your educational and personal experience, expand your knowledge and intercultural awareness and increase your future employment opportunities. If you can, take this opportunity! Find more information at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/going-abroad-maynooth
At the beginning of the academic year, you will have up to four weeks to change your mind about your subjects. However, we do not recommend that you leave it until week 4 to make up your mind about your subjects as you will have missed a lot of content and possibly even some course work. Please speak to a member of the Programme Advisory Team if you have any questions about changing your subjects after registration.

At the beginning of the second semester, you will have an opportunity to request an amendment to your subject registration. The Programme Advisor discusses all semester two subject change requests with students to ensure that you make a fully informed decision. You will receive an email before the Christmas break with information about the semester two subject change process.

The Programme Advisory Office is here to provide information on any choices you might wish to make related to your programme. So if you are not sure what to do, please come and talk to us.

We will provide a briefing during Welcome Week, which may help answer some of your questions. Last year, we helped hundreds of students with questions like these:

> How do the Arts timetable groups work?
> Is it possible for me to take a particular combination of subjects?
> I hope to transfer into a Year 2 denominated programme next year; what subjects do I need to take?
> I have changed my mind about a subject; what should I do now?
HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE PROGRAMME ADVISORY OFFICE

We really want to hear from students so please get in touch with any programme choice related questions you may have via:

✉ programme.choices@mu.ie
📞 +353 1 474 7428

In person: At the beginning of term, we operate a drop-in service for students between 10am and 4pm, Monday to Friday in Rowan House on the north campus of the University.

After week 5, students can book a one-to-one appointment with the Programme Advisor via our website: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office

YEAR 2 INFORMATION DAYS FOR FIRST YEARS

Towards the end of your first year, the Programme Advisory Office will brief current first year students again about your programme options and choices for second year. This will help you prepare for your transition into second year. These information sessions will provide details of our flexible pathways, Electives and other opportunities to shape your degree the way you want it.

Planning ahead for your Second Year & Beyond week will be advertised in semester two.
COURSE FINDER
Our online Course Finder tool is an excellent resource and should be used by you when researching overall programme information, detail on subjects, modules, assessments, and learning outcomes. You can also use it to see module and subject options that may lie ahead once you progress from first year. Access to Course Finder is from the main University website, Click ‘For current students’, click ‘Course Finder’.

YOUR DEPARTMENTS
Each department has an individual website which lists its location on campus, all contact details and the office hours of lecturing staff and the administration office. Access department websites via the Maynooth University homepage, click ‘Departments’ and navigate to your chosen department.

REGISTRY
Registry within Maynooth University includes the Student Records Office, the Examinations Office and the Timetabling Office. Registry is located on the south campus in Humanity House. The offices are open for student enquiries between 09.30 – 13.00 and 14.00 – 17.00, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). Check the Registry website for contact details of each office at www.maynoothuniversity/registry

OTHER ADMINISTRATION OFFICES
Other administration offices that you may wish to consult during your studies in Maynooth include the Admissions Office, the Graduation Office, the International Office, Academic Advisory, Programme Advisory, the Centre for Teaching and Learning, Student Fees & Grants and Student Services. Full contact details of these and all other offices within the University are on the main website at www.maynoothuniversity.ie
PLAN YOUR CHOICES

Remember that in first year, your programme is organised in blocks of 15 credits, and you will take four of these blocks to make your 60 credits. All you have to decide is which four you would like to study. To help you plan, try to fill in your choices in the table below. In each line, put a subject you want to study (a main subject, the extra 15 for a double subject, or a Critical Skills course), and the timetable group in which it is scheduled. If you find that you have two things in the same timetable group, then you will have a clash, and should reconsider your choices. If not, then you are good to go!

Complete the form at the bottom of this page to tease out what you might choose. To help you get started, we have completed two selection examples but of course there are many possible combinations that you can choose.

EXAMPLE 1
Double subject, Critical Skills, Single main subject

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