



**Maynooth  
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# Subject & Module Choice in Second year

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# Overview of Session

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Flexible Pathways
- Electives
- Subject & Module Choice in Year 2
- Opportunities to enhance your degree
- Marks & Standards
- Where to find more information

# The Maynooth Education



# Second Year Pathways within Arts

You will decide the structure of your degree (based on your subjects and results from first year).

We let you decide if you would prefer to

- specialise in one subject with a little of another - **Major with Minor**
- just specialise in one – **Single Major**
- or two subjects - **Double Major**

# Second Year Pathways within Arts

**Single Major** – 60 credits of one subject

Subject 1 – 60 credits

**Double Major** – 30 credits in two subjects

Subject 1 – 30 credits

Subject 2 – 30 credits

**Major with minor** – 40 credits in one subject; 20 credits in the other

Subject 1 – 40 credits

Subject 2 - 20 credits

# Science Subject Choice in Year 2 & beyond

- Science students choose **three subjects** to progress into Year 2
- After Year 2 you can choose progress in either a **Double Major** (taking two subjects equally to degree level)

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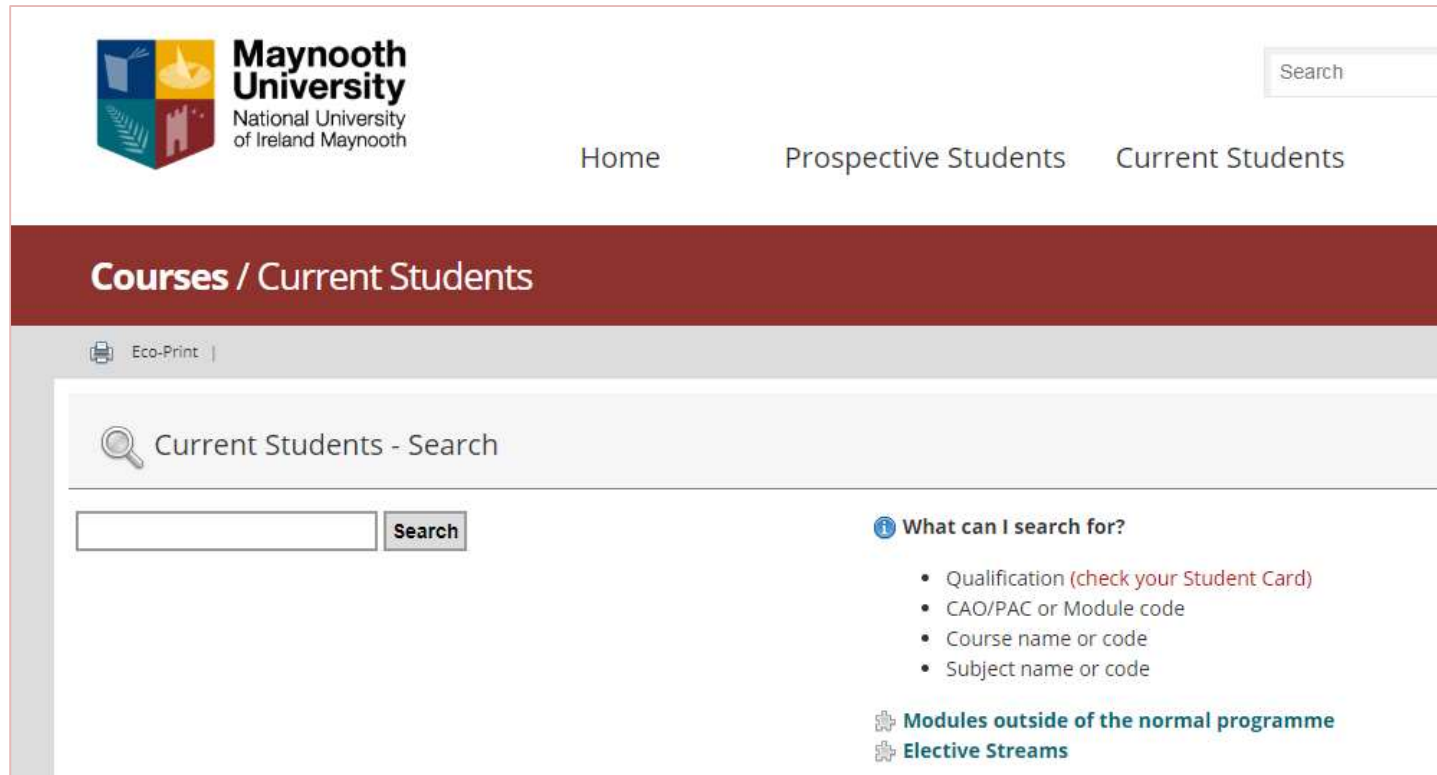
- a **Single Major** where you take two subjects in third year and after that, specialise in one subject for your final year

# Specific subject combinations

- The combination of Chemistry and Mathematical Physics is allowed in second year but not in subsequent years.
- Students choosing Computer Science must also take Mathematics.

# 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 left is the Maynooth University logo, which includes a stylized building and a flame, with the text "Maynooth University National University of Ireland Maynooth". To the right of the logo is a search bar with the word "Search" inside. Below the logo and search bar are navigation links: "Home", "Prospective Students", and "Current Students". A dark red banner below the navigation links contains the text "Courses / Current Students". Underneath the banner is a grey bar with a printer icon and the text "Eco-Print |". The main content area is a white box with a search bar containing a magnifying glass icon and the text "Current Students - Search". Below the search bar is an empty input field and a "Search" button. To the right of the search bar is a section titled "What can I search for?" with an information icon. This section lists three search criteria: "Qualification (check your Student Card)", "CAO/PAC or Module code", and "Course name or code". Below this list are two links: "Modules outside of the normal programme" and "Elective Streams", both with gear icons.



# Second year transfer option

Students must complete the following subjects in order to be eligible to transfer into year 2 of Electronic Engineering:

- Engineering Science,
- Computer Science
- Mathematics

They must achieve at least 50% in each subject on the first sitting.

# Specific Transfer Criteria

| Subject          | Year 2 Option   | Progression Requirement  |
|------------------|---|--|
| <b>Business</b>  | Progress into Year 2 of MH404 Bachelor of Business Studies  | Pass <b>double Business</b> (30 credits) or <b>single Business subject</b> (15 credits) + Economics + Accounting<br>*Pass is 40% or more in each module  |
| <b>Geography</b> | Single major  | Average mark of <b>at least 60%</b> in Geography in first year.  |
| <b>History</b>   | Single major  | Average mark of <b>50%</b> in History in first year.   |
| <b>Law</b>       | LLB Single major;<br><br>BCL Major [Law, 40 credits & Arts subject, 20 credits]<br><br>...<br>BCL Double Major<br><br>BCL Law & Accounting<br><br>BCL Law & Business<br><br>BCL Law & Criminology | Students who successfully pass 15 credits of Law in 1st year have following transfer options:<br>-LLB Single major<br>-BCL Major<br><br>Students who successfully pass 30 credits of Law have these additional options:<br>-BCL Double Major<br>-BCL Law & Business [pass 30 credits of Bus]<br>-BCL Law & Acc: [60% or more in Accounting & take AC160]<br>-BCL Law &Crim: [pass Criminology] |

# Specific Transfer Criteria (continued)

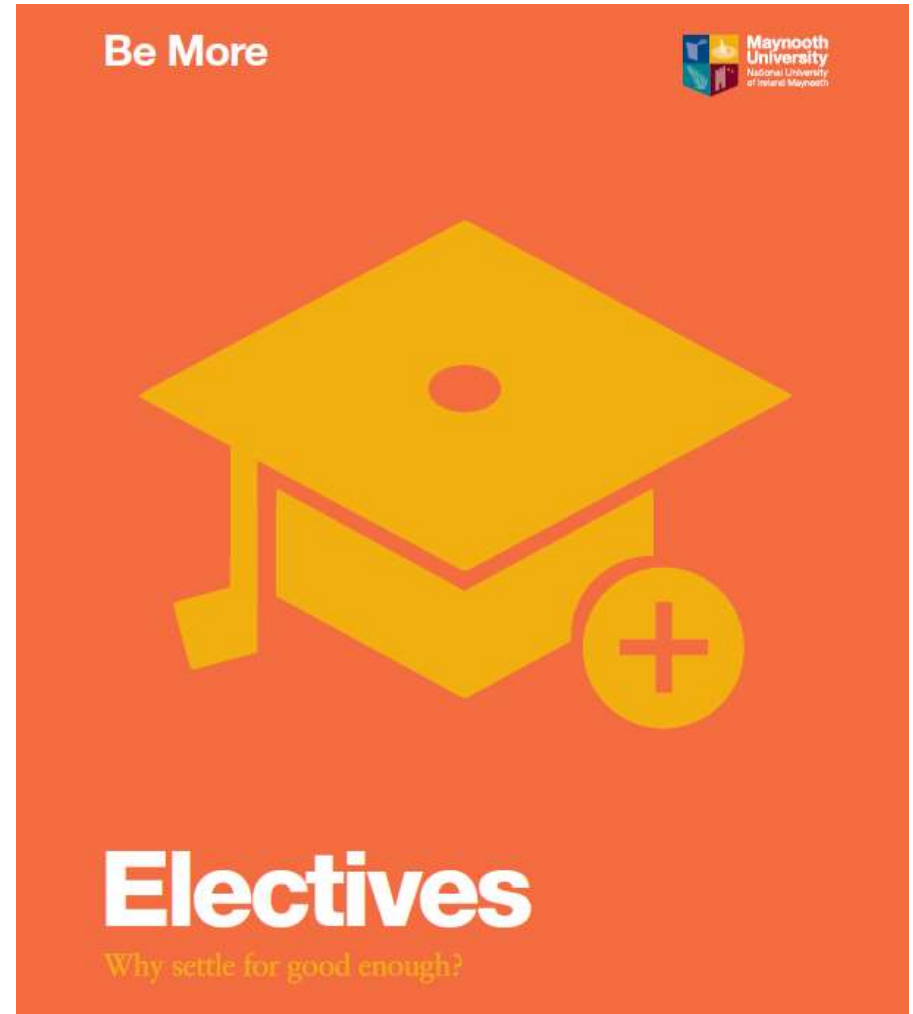
| Subject             | Year 2 Option                           | Progression Requirement                              |
|---------------------|---|--|
| English             | Single major                            | Average mark of <b>50%</b> in English in first year. |
| Accounting          | MH403 Accounting & Finance              | MH403: 60% in Accounting and 40% in Economics.       |
|                     | MH407 Business & Accounting             | MH407: 60% in Accounting and 60% in Business.        |
|                     | MH502 Law & Accounting                  | MH502: 60% in Accounting and 40% in Law.             |
|                     |   | *All of the above require AC160                      |
| Economics / Finance | MH401 Finance                           | 50% in Economics/Finance & pass in Accounting        |
|                     | MH401 International Finance & Economics | 50% in Economics/Finance & pass in Maths             |

# Any questions about 2<sup>nd</sup> year Subject & Module Choice?

# 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 10 credits (a five credit module in semester 1 and a five credit module in semester 2) so it makes up 1/6 of your second year marks.



# 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

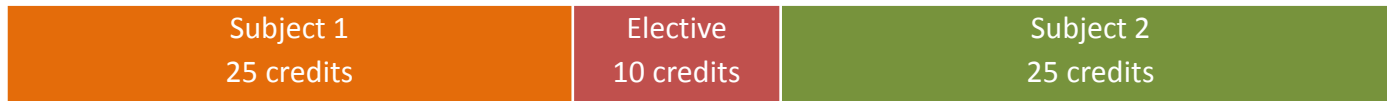
Many students have the opportunity to take an Elective in Year 2

Electives this year include:

- Film & Screen Studies
- Beginners Chinese/German/Spanish
- Continuing French/Spanish/German/Gaeilge/Chinese
- War, Terrorism and Global Security
- Working Creatively in Groups and Teams
- Gender and Sexuality in Society and Culture
- Education Engagement and Equality
- Engaging with civil society: justice, welfare and environment

# How an Elective works – MH101

## Double Major



## Major with Minor



## Single Major





# How an Elective works for - MH201

|                         |                         |                         |                        |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Subject 1<br>20 credits | Subject 2<br>20 credits | Subject 3<br>10 credits | Elective<br>10 credits |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|

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.

## Other Programmes

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

# 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

# Subject Choice

What would I like  
to study and what  
can I study?

# T & C apply

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

The screenshot shows the 'For Current Students' section of the Maynooth University website. The navigation menu includes links for Webmail, Moodle, Timetable, Student Web, Students' Union, Term Calendar, Course Finder, People Finder, Parking, Library, Clubs & Societies, and Campus Map. The 'Timetable' and 'Course Finder' links are highlighted with red boxes. Below the navigation menu is a banner with the text 'Why settle for 'good enough'? BE MORE' and an image of a ship carrying a building. The banner also includes the text 'Heading into Second Year? Learn more about your Programme Choices and Options' and the website URL 'maynoothuniversity.ie'.

# Creating a viable timetable

1. [www.maynoothuniversity.ie/current-students](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/current-students)
2. Select Timetable
3. Expand Academic dropdown and select 'Academic timetable in Timetable Viewer'
4. Select the 'Lecture' tab on the far left
5. Follow the instructions on screen
6. Be sure that there are no timetable clashes before registering for second year in September 2019

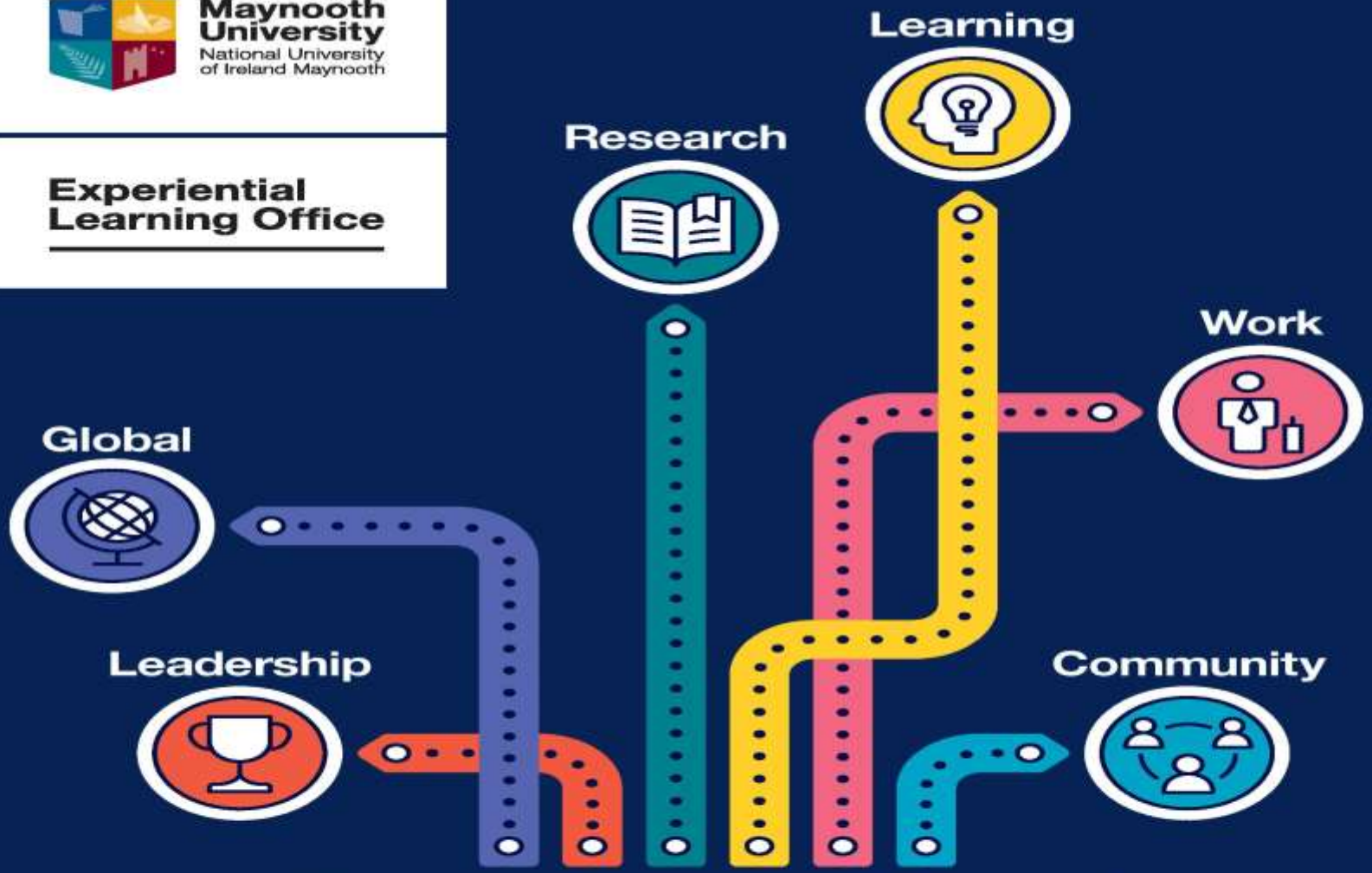
YouTube Video Tutorial:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74khig5ypeQ>



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# Study Abroad

as part of your Maynooth University degree

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## Opportunities to study abroad during your Programme

- BA International
- Erasmus +
- Adds significant edge when applying for graduate work
- Not just for language students!!



# Marks & Standards

**All years after first year contribute to the final result.**

| Three year degree |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Year 2            | 30% |
| Year 3            | 70% |

| Four year degree |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Year 2           | 10% |
| Year 3           | 20% |
| Year 4           | 70% |

# More information

- Course Finder
- Specific Year Information Page:

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/year1info](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/year1info)

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/year2info](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/year2info)

- Electives Information Page:

[www.maynoothuniversity.ie/electives](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/electives)

- Lecturers
- Programme Advisory Office

# Planning Ahead for Your Second Year & Beyond Week

## Planning ahead for your second year and beyond



The Programme Advisory Office has planned this week of events to help you to make the most of many opportunities you will have to shape the remainder of your degree, starting with the programme choices you will be asked to make at the beginning of second year.

For more information about the week's events or your programme options for second year and beyond please see the Programme Advisory Office website: [www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office](http://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office) Or email [programme\\_choices@nu.ie](mailto:programme_choices@nu.ie)

**Programme Choices in Second Year:**  
Come along to this session (repeated three times) to learn about the subject and module choices you will be asked to make at the beginning of second year. Learn about our degree pathways and Electives.

**Next Steps:**  
It is never too early to start to plan for life after your degree! Come along to the session with our Career Development Centre to learn about preparing for your future careers and our Graduate Studies Office about further study options at Maynooth University. For those interested in teaching after University there is a session on Thursday afternoon: Teaching as a Career.

**Transfer Options:**  
Information sessions with staff & students from the School of Business and the Dept of Law about transfer routes into their denominated programmes at the beginning of second year. The Dept of Law session is open to students studying 15 or 30 credits of Law through Arts. The School of Business session is open to students studying 30 credits of Business or 15 credits of Business + Accounting + Economics. We also have an event for students that want to know about transferring to other programmes; Internal Transfer Process for Non-Automatic Transfer requests (Thursday).

**Experience More:**  
There are many opportunities for you to shape your future while at Maynooth University, including:  
- Study Abroad/Erasmus  
- Summer Programme of Undergraduate Experience (SPUR)  
- Clubs & Societies with Maynooth Students' Union

### Monday, April 1st

11am to 12noon  
Library Rooms A&B  
Programme Choices in Second year: Subject & Module Choices including Electives

3pm to 4pm  
SE011  
Next Steps: Further Study options with the Graduate Studies Office

### Tuesday, April 2nd

11am to 12noon  
Library Rooms A&B  
Programme Choices in Second year: Subject & Module Choices including Electives

1pm to 2pm  
CB9  
Transfer Options: Information Session with the School of Business

2pm to 3pm  
SE011  
Next Steps: Careers

### Wednesday, April 3rd

10am to 12noon  
Your Space in MSU/ Experience More/ Clubs & Societies and MUSE (Maynooth University Student Experience) Award Showcase

11am to 12noon  
Library Rooms A&B  
Programme Choices in Second year: Subject & Module Choices including Electives

1.30pm to 3pm  
Plenary Boardroom  
Programme Choices in Second year: MAP: MyWay with Access Office - Planning in Second Year and Beyond

3pm to 3pm  
Library Rooms A&B  
Experience More: Experiential Learning Office programmes including SPUR

3pm to 4pm  
Library Rooms A&B  
Experience More: Ready, Steady, Go Study Abroad!

### Thursday, April 4th

10am to 12noon  
CB9  
Transfer Options: Information Session with the Department of Law

12noon to 1pm  
SE231  
Next Steps: Teaching as a Career with the Council Teaching

2pm to 3pm  
SE012  
Next Steps: Careers

3pm to 4pm  
SE013  
Transfer Options: Internal Transfer process for non-automatic transfer requests

# Programme Advisory Office Contact Details

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