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First Year Subject Guide



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SECTION 1

SHAPING YOUR DEGREE

The Bachelor of Arts degree offers choice and flexibility. You can choose subjects that suit you best and that interest you most. That's not to say that there are no limits to your choices. No matter what subjects you select, you are expected to meet our high standards.

As much as possible however, we let you decide although you don't have to decide everything at once. You can take up to four subjects in first year and take time to decide what subject combination is right for you.

In first year, you can also change your mind in the first four weeks of semester 1. During those first four weeks, you can choose an alternative subject if you feel your first selection was not right for you. You can also make some changes to your choices at the start of semester 2.

When you progress to second year, you can decide the structure of your degree based on your particular selection of subjects, and your results from first year.

Most students take a two-subject degree from second year - we call this a 'Double Major'. However, perhaps you would prefer to specialise in one subject with less of another (known as a 'Major with Minor') or take just one subject (called a 'Single Major').



CRITICAL SKILLS

In first year, you also have the option of taking a subject called Critical Skills. This is an intensive course, available in first year only, that develops the skills we want all Maynooth graduates to have. This course will develop your ability to analyse ideas from different perspectives, to develop your own position and to present your ideas clearly and convincingly.

Critical Skills are available in every timetable group in first year. They are taught in small groups and you can expect to do regular assignments in writing and in verbal presentation which will develop your skills in these important areas (See Section 2 for more detail).

GLOSSARY OF KEY TERMS

Code: As you know, the CAO code for the Bachelor of Arts programme at Maynooth University is MH101. When you register online, you will start to notice the code 'ARTS' instead of MH101. ARTS is the code we use in our systems for MH101. You can expect to see ARTS when you register online and in documentation related to your degree, for example, a printout of your registration record or your first year results.

Semester: We divide the academic year into two parts called 'semesters'. Semester 1 runs from September to January and semester 2 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 registered to.

Subject: Many programmes are divided into different 'subjects'. For example, Business (Management), Geography, English and Sociology. In most degrees, you will graduate in either one or two subjects although it's very normal to take more subjects than this in first year.

Module: Subjects are made up of 'modules'. Each module represents a chunk of work and is a substantial amount of study. Every module is assessed separately and together, your different modules contribute to an overall subject mark for each subject you're registered to.

Credits: The amount of work involved in a module is indicated by its credit weight. In first year, most modules are 7.5 credits. After first year, most modules are either 5 or 10 credits.

Maynooth University uses the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). In this system, a normal year of full time study for the majority of undergraduate programmes is 60 credits.

In first year you will typically register for, and complete eight modules; four in semester 1 and four in semester 2.

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 on the main Maynooth University website.

REGISTRATION

It's very important that you are registered for all the modules you are taking. If you are not registered for a module in our registration system, you will not be earning credits for that module and building towards your degree. All students register online at the start of each academic year. In first year we allow you to make changes to your registration up to the end of the fourth week of semester 1. This is to give you time to sample different subjects and to make sure you have made the right choices.

It's important to remember that all subjects are taught from Day 1 (i.e. the first day of lectures) and so the later you leave it to firm up your choices, the more of a subject you may miss. Our advice is to go to the Welcome Week subject talks. Going to the subject talks is crucial to getting started on the right foot.

In first year, you have a lot of subjects to choose from. After first year, you will have the opportunity to make a lot of choices within your subjects.

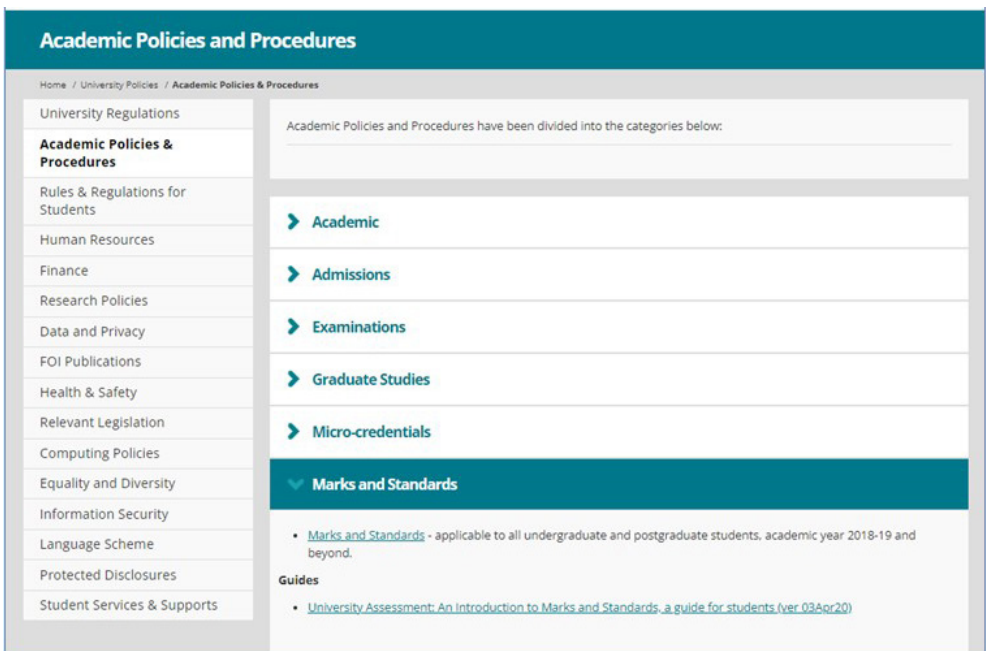
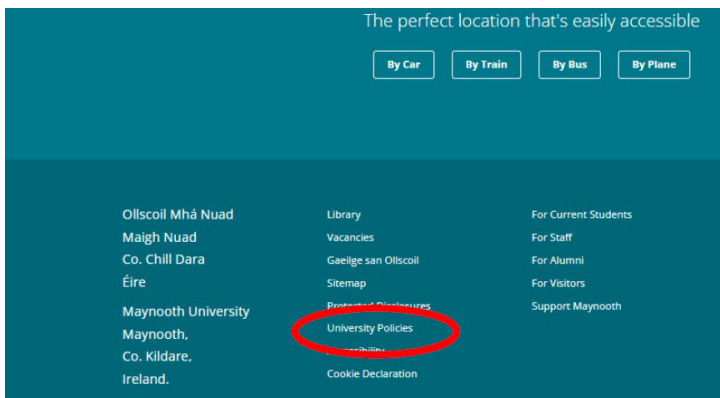


Check your subjects on the online CourseFinder tool and you will notice that modules within a subject have different indicators. These are:

Compulsory:	you must take that module in that subject
Optional:	it is one of a choice of modules in that subject
Required:	you must pass that module without compensation

More information about the principle of compensation can be found in the rules that guide grading and assessment. The title of these rules is 'Marks and Standards' and throughout your studies, you will hear reference to Marks and Standards.

There is a link to Marks and Standards at the bottom of the University Policies page, located the bottom of the main MU website, click 'Academic Policies and Procedures'.



AMENDING YOUR REGISTRATION

You can make changes to your subject choices during the first four weeks of semester 1. You will do this online, via the Student Web.

Second semester amendments

In some subjects, if you initially registered for 15 credits, you may be able to take up an additional 7.5 credit module of that subject in semester 2. Of course, this would mean you have to discontinue 7.5 credits in one of your other subjects.

We have included a note on subjects that offer this semester 2 amendment possibility, including if it's a change you can make yourself online or if written permission is required.

Remember, amending your subjects in semester 2 impacts what subjects you can progress with to second year. It's a serious step and amending your subject selection in semester 2 is not something you should do without taking advice first.

See Section 4 'Programme Advisory Office' for more information about second semester subject amendments.



INTENTION TO TRANSFER AFTER FIRST YEAR

Some students register for ARTS but intend transferring to another programme in second year. Where there is a transfer possibility in second year, this is listed in the right side column of the subject tables that follow. If you want to maximise your registration choices in second year, it is important that you read the information in the right side column before making your first year registration selection.

If you have the stated criteria for transfer, when you register online for second year, you will be offered:

1. second year ARTS, including all pathways you meet the criteria for. Remember that pathways are: double major, major with minor, minor and single major.
2. second year of the transfer programme(s).

It will be your decision which option to choose.

YOUR FIRST YEAR CHOICES

Most ARTS 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. You can check the online CourseFinder tool on the Maynooth University website, in the prospectus and on department websites for details of what you can study in first year.

Subject presentation information is on the Orientation website at <https://my.maynoothuniversity.ie/> as well as other key resources to help you transition to university.

You can also speak to the Programme Advisory Office about your options within ARTS. Staff from the Programme Advisory Office will be available during Welcome Week and throughout your time at Maynooth University.

Research your options before, and during Welcome Week and most importantly, before you press that online registration button.

Different subject combinations available to you in first year (remember, ARTS students register for 60 credits each year)

4 subjects (4 x 15 credits)	This allows you to study the greatest range of subjects and decide which you prefer.
3 subjects and Critical Skills (4 x 15 credits)	This allows you to take a range of subjects and also to take Critical Skills.
A double subject and two others (1 x 30 credits and 2 x 15 credits)	This allows you to take three subjects but to devote half of your time to one subject.
A double subject, one other subject and Critical Skills (1 x 30 credits and 2 x 15 credits)	This allows you to take two subjects along with Critical Skills.
Two double subjects (2 x 30 credits)	This allows you to take just two subjects.

COMBINATIONS OF SUBJECTS YOU CAN CHOOSE



Subjects are organised into timetable groups. The subjects in each group are scheduled at the same times and it is not possible to take more than one subject from any group. The table on the next page shows the timetable groups. You can take any combination as long as there is no timetable clash.

Notes

1.

Subjects available as 'double subjects' (30 credits) are marked with an asterisk*. These subjects need extra class times and the extra class times are normally scheduled in Groups 6 or 7. Where the extra credits are timetabled in a different group, we have marked this on the table.

2.

French, German, Spanish and Chinese Studies offer a 30 credit first year option for beginners in the language and are marked with #. Chinese Studies is only available as a 30 credit Beginner option.

For those who have previously studied French, German or Spanish, a 15 credit Non-Beginner option is available. You must take the 30 credit option if you are a Beginner in French, German or Spanish. If you have the recommended minimum entry requirement, you should take the 15 credit option in French, German or Spanish.

3.

Critical Skills courses can be taken in any timetable group.

TIMETABLE GROUPS

GROUP 1

Geography*
 German#
 Law*
 Mathematics (Pure)*
 - Groups 1 & 3, must
 take 30 credits
 Philosophy

Critical Skills

GROUP 2

Business, 3 Streams
 (i) Management*
 (ii) Marketing*
 (iii) International*
 Criminology
 History*
 Music*(extra 15)

Critical Skills

GROUP 3

English*
 International
 Development*
 Mathematical Studies
 Mathematics (Pure)*
 - Groups 1 & 3, must
 take 30 credits

Critical Skills

GROUP 4

Anthropology*
 Economics
 Finance
 Music Technology
 Nua-Ghaeilge

Critical Skills

GROUP 5

Computer Science*
 Music*
 Sociology
 Spanish#

Critical Skills

GROUP 6

Accounting*
 Chinese Studies#
 French#
 Greek & Roman
 Civilization
 Mathematical Physics
 Media & Cultural
 Studies
 Medieval Celtic
 Studies
 Politics
 Psychological Studies
 Statistics

Business (extra 15)
 English (extra 15)
 Geog. (optional 15)

Critical Skills

GROUP 7

(normally for the extra 15 credits of double subjects)

Anthropology (extra 15),
 Computer Science (extra 15),
 German / French / Spanish (extra 15),
 History (extra 15),
 International Development (extra 15),
 Law (extra 15),
 Chinese Studies 15 credits (plus 15 credits Group 6) -
 only available to Beginners.

Critical Skills: Language & Culture
 - delivered in Group 7 only.
 - for non beginners French, German and Spanish.

SECTION 2

CRITICAL SKILLS

Today's university graduates face unprecedented and complex challenges. Emerging technologies, climate change, international conflict, and threats to democracy require a curriculum that equips students with the skills to understand, analyse, and address critical issues.

Maynooth graduates will have to be able to deal with complex arguments, work as part of a team, produce digital content, evaluate evidence and make balanced judgements, and communicate complex ideas clearly, both verbally and in writing. We regard these skills as critical for a university education. They are also skills that are highly valued by today's employers.



Because these skills are so important in university and beyond, Maynooth University offers a specially designed foundation course for first year students in 'Universal Critical Skills.' Critical Skills equips students with essential skills for active citizenship and lifelong learning.

Critical Skills is also designed to help you succeed at university. Entering university is a major change in a student's life and Critical Skills is designed to equip you with the confidence and skills to succeed at university. The classes are small which facilitates peer-group formation and instructor support. Critical Skills will equip you with writing, research, and public speaking skills to support your learning in all your classes.

The first year Critical Skills courses are 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.

Critical Skills is available in all timetable groups. Critical Skills is interdisciplinary and transferable to the topics you are studying in your other subjects.

You can find out more about Critical Skills during Welcome Week and at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/criticalskills.

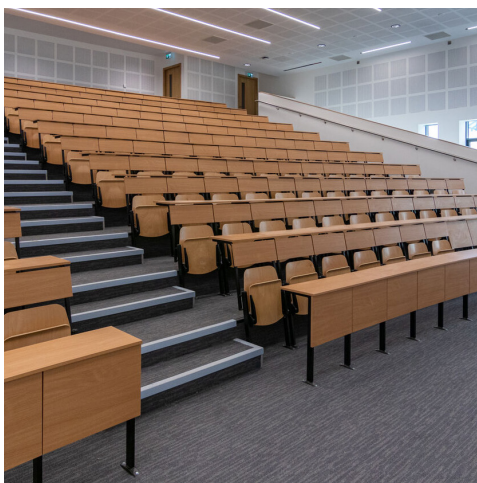
SECTION 3

BA INTERNATIONAL (Study Abroad possibilities)

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 currently has 190 partners in thirty countries on five continents. You can choose to study in another European country through the Erasmus+ programme or take the Study Abroad option and study outside Europe.

Our partner universities include University of Amsterdam,



University of Barcelona, Boston College, University of Kent, University of Miami, University of Montevideo, Nanyang Technological University, University of Notre Dame (AUS), University of Toronto or University of Vienna, to name but a few. A full list of our partner universities can be viewed on our website

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/our-global-partner-universities. Students going abroad under the Erasmus+ programme are eligible to receive Erasmus funding and students who receive a SUSI maintenance grant are eligible to receive additional Erasmus funding.

Studying abroad has positive effects on students' personal and educational development. It can help you gain confidence and curiosity, develop openness to new experiences and you could study something new or different to what is offered at Maynooth. Students who study abroad also enjoy enhanced employability outcomes. Along with discipline-specific knowledge and skills, employers highly value the transferable skills gained abroad, including intercultural awareness, language skills, adaptability, problem-solving, networking and communication.

You don't need to speak a foreign language to be able to study abroad. Approximately 75% of Maynooth students study abroad through the medium of English in countries where English is not the first language.

HOW DO YOU APPLY?

Depending on which subject(s) you take in your ARTS degree, some partner universities may be more suitable for you than others.

It is important to remember that places on our exchange programmes are competitive. The main criteria for student selection are first year results and subject compatibility.

When you study abroad on an exchange programme, you do not pay tuition fees to your host university although you may be required to pay a small registration or student services fee. You will continue to pay your usual registration fees to MU and you register with MU (as normal).

You will be invited to apply for study abroad opportunities early in second year. The International Office holds information sessions, (online and in person), in October each year. Second year students will be invited to attend information sessions, class talks, webinars, student events and one to one meetings with the Mobility Team to discuss their study abroad options.

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. Take this opportunity if you can!

Find more information at
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/going-abroad-maynooth

Check out our students' experiences abroad on the International Office
Instagram @maynoothuni_goingabroad



SECTION 4

PROGRAMME ADVISORY OFFICE

The Programme Advisory Office is here to provide information on any subject choices you might wish to make related to your programme. If you are not sure what to do, please contact us via the enquiry form on our webpage www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office.

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?

Amending your subject choices

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 what subjects to study as you will have missed a lot of content and possibly even some course work.

Please contact us if you have any questions about changing your subjects after registration. At the beginning of semester 2, you will have an opportunity to request an amendment to your subject registration. The Programme Advisor discusses all semester 2 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 2 subject change process.



GETTING IN TOUCH WITH THE PROGRAMME ADVISORY OFFICE

You can email us at: programme.choices@mu.ie or contact us via the enquiry form on our webpage www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office

We will reply to your query via email, or phone you if you have requested a phone call. This callback will be via Teams and you will need the Teams app to arrange a callback.

Check our website for details of our opening hours - <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-success/your-academic-journey/academic-advisory>



YEAR 2 INFORMATION DAYS FOR FIRST YEARS

Towards the end of your first year, the Programme Advisory Office will brief current first year students about 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 AND BEYOND?

We will have an information campaign #BeSeptemberReady in semester 2 and will notify you in advance of the campaign, via your student email, with details of how to access the information and attend the sessions.

SECTION 5

SUBJECT SUMMARIES

The tables on the following pages show summary information for all of the subjects we offer in first year ARTS.

- The left side column shows your options in first year
- The right side column shows the options in second year and beyond.

Use these tables to check the possibilities in the subjects that interest you and also to see the transfer options you could be offered in second year if you have meet the stated criteria.

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 check individual department websites via the Maynooth University homepage (www.maynoothuniversity.ie),
- To attend the subject talks during Orientation, and
- To use the online CourseFinder tool, available via 'For Current Students on the MU website.



A REMINDER OF OUR TERMINOLOGIES

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.

Remember

- Some subjects have minimum entry requirements that you must have in order to study them.
- Other subjects have recommended entry requirements.
- A module that is marked 'required' means that it must be passed by 40% or more (i.e. not by compensation) if you want to proceed to your next year of study in its subject.

These are all listed on the subject tables that follow...



ACCOUNTING

FIRST YEAR

Subject Codes: AC1F15
AC1V30

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 6
30 credits: Timetable Group 6

Recommended minimum entry

Leaving Certificate O4/H7 Mathematics

Intention to transfer

Normally, if you intend transferring out of ARTS in second year, you should select the 30 credit Accounting subject at online registration in September.

Please ensure you consult the transfer conditions in the right hand column for the credits required for individual programmes.

Semester 2 amendment

There may be an opportunity to take an additional 7.5 credits of Accounting in semester 2 if you initially registered for the 15 credit option in order to meet transfer conditions to another designated Accounting programme in second year.

Please contact the School of Business for advice before requesting such a change (E: business@mu.ie).

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Accounting within ARTS/MH101 to the following:

- Double major

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BA Accounting and Finance (MH403)
To transfer you must:

- Pass the subject Economics/Finance in first year.
and
- Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject.

BBS Business and Accounting (MH407)
To transfer you must:

- Pass a 15 credit Business subject in first year.
and
- Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject.

BCL Law and Accounting (MH502)
To transfer you must:

- Pass Law (30 credits) in first year
and
- Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject.

ACCOUNTING (continued)

FIRST YEAR

Subject Codes: AC1F15
AC1V30

Please contact the School of Business for advice before requesting any changes to your Accounting registration (E: business@mu.ie).

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

TRANSFER OPTIONS (continued)

BBS Business and Languages MH409
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject and
- b) Pass and achieve a subject mark of at least 40% in the 15 or 30 credit language (German or Spanish). Remember that required modules must be passed by 40% or more to progress with the language.



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 and Transfer options

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

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

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BBS Business and Global Cultures
MH404

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject.
and
- b) Pass all modules in the 15 or 30 credit Anthropology subject.





BUSINESS: 3 STREAMS

FIRST YEAR

Subject codes: see below

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&6

Three streams of Business are available, each with a 15 or 30 credit option. These streams and their subject codes are:

- (i) **Business (Management)**
15 credits MN1MF15
30 credits MN1MV30
- (ii) **Business (Marketing)**
15 credits MN1KF15
30 credits MN1KV30
- (iii) **Business (International Business)**
15 credits MN1IF15
30 credits MN1IV30

Recommended minimum entry (3 streams)

Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)
O4/H7 Mathematics

Second semester amendment

If you initially selected the 15 credit option, and you particularly like 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 and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress from any of the three Business streams within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

Single major BBS or BBA programmes
To transfer you must:

- Pass all modules in a 30 credit Business subject.
- or
- Pass both modules in a 15 credit Business subject and pass the subject Accounting and pass the subject Economics or Finance.

BBS Business and Accounting MH407
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass a 15 credit Business subject in first year.
and
- b) Have a subject mark of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in first year.

BCL Law and Business MH502
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass 30 credits of the subject Law and
- b) Pass 30 credits of a Business subject.

BUSINESS: 3 STREAMS (continued)

FIRST YEAR

Subject codes: see across

Intention to transfer

1. If you intend transferring out of ARTS in second year to a BBS or BCL degree with Business, you should register for one of the 30 credit Business subjects at online registration in September.
2. If you chose the 15 credit option, your transfer options will be more limited although it may be possible to transfer with just 15 credits, depending on your other subjects. Normally, choosing the 15 credit Business option signals that you intend remaining in ARTS for the duration of your programme.

Notes

1. If you are planning to become a post-primary teacher of Business, you should take the 30 credit Business (Management) subject to ensure that you can meet Teaching Council requirements.
2. 30 credit subjects in Marketing or International Business are not suitable if you are planning to become a post-primary teacher of Business.
3. The 30 credit subjects are not suitable for students who are taking the subjects Accounting, Economics or Finance in first year as some modules will be duplicated.
4. Normally, only choose the 15 credit option if you intend remaining in ARTS in second year.

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

TRANSFER OPTIONS (continued)

BBS Business and Global Cultures MH404

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject.
and
- b) Pass all modules in the 15 or 30 credit Anthropology subject.

BBS Business and Languages MH409

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject.
and
- b) Pass and achieve a subject mark of 40% or more in the 15 or 30 credit language (French, German or Spanish; only the 30 credit option is available in Chinese Studies).

Remember that required modules must be passed by 40% or more to progress with the language.



CHINESE STUDIES

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: CN1F30

Chinese Studies is available as a standard subject (Beginners only, 30 credits).

30 credits: Timetable Groups 6&7.

Note

Includes one 'required' module meaning that you must pass that module by 40%+ to continue with the subject in Year 2.

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

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

You can progress with Chinese Studies within ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BBS Business and Languages MH409
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject.
and
- b) Have a subject mark of at least 40% in the 30 credit Beginners Chinese Studies subject.



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&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 (module CS172), with written permission only, at the beginning of the second semester.



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Computer Science within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

(Only available if you took 22.5 or 30 credits of Computer Science in first year).

BSc Computer Science and Software Engineering
MH601 and
BSc Multimedia, Mobile and Web Development
MH601

To transfer you must:

- Pass 30 credits of Computer Science and pass the subject Mathematical Studies.

or

a) Pass 15 credit Computer Science subject in first year.

and

b) Pass 7.5 credits of Computer Science in the second semester (CS172) in first year.

and

c) Pass the subject Mathematical Studies in first year.

BSc Quantitative Finance MH402

To transfer you must:

a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Economics/Finance subject in first year.

and

b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject in first year.

and

c) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the Computer Science subject in first year.

CRIMINOLOGY

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: LW1CF15

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 2



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

You can progress with Criminology within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with Minor
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTION

BCL Law and Criminology MH502
(Major Law, with minor Criminology)
To transfer, you must:

- a) Pass 15 credits of Criminology in first year.
and
- b) Pass at least 15 credits of Law in first year.

BCL Law and Criminology MH502
(Double Major)
To transfer, you must:

- a) Pass 15 credits of Criminology in first year.
and
- b) Pass 30 credits of Law in first year.

Note

If you only took the 15 credits of Law in first year, you may only transfer to:
Major BCL (40 credit Law) with Minor Criminology

The BCL is approved by the Honorable Society of King's Inns, allowing graduates to sit the entrance examinations for entry to training for the profession of barrister.



ECONOMICS

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: EC1F15

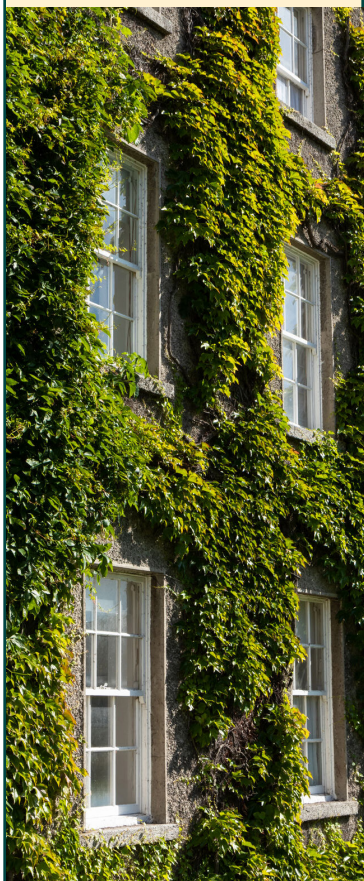
Economics is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

15 credits: Timetable Group 4

Recommended minimum entry

Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)

O4/H7 Mathematics



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

You can progress with Economics within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

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

You can also transfer to Finance within ARTS (Double major or Minor).

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BA International Economics (MH416)

(Depending on your other subjects, two routes are possible: Single Major or Major with minor)

To transfer you must:

- a) Achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15 credit Economics/Finance subject in first year. and
- b) Pass the 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject in first year.

BSc Economics MH415

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Economics in first year. and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Mathematical Studies in first year.

BA Accounting and Finance MH403

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass the subject Economics/Finance in first year. and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in first year.

ECONOMICS (continued)

FIRST YEAR
Subject code: EC1F15

SECOND YEAR
Progression and Transfer options

TRANSFER OPTIONS (continued)

BA Finance MH401
To transfer you must:

- a) Achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15-credit Economics/Finance subject.
and
- b) Have passed either the 15 or the 30 credit Accounting subject

BSc Quantitative Finance MH402
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Economics/Finance subject in first year.
and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject in first year.
and
- c) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the Computer Science subject in first year.





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&6

Second semester amendment note

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 ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Single major
 - You must Pass and achieve an average mark of at least 50% in English in first year.
- Major with minor
- Minor



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 and Transfer options

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

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

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

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BA Finance MH401

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15 credit Economics/Finance subject. and
- b) Pass either the 15 or the 30 credit Accounting subject.

BA Accounting and Finance MH403

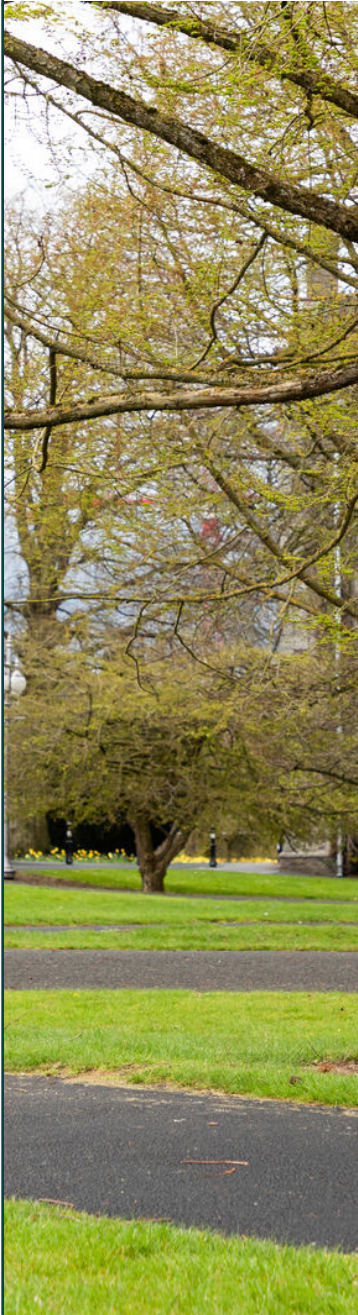
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass the subject Economics/Finance in first year. and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in first year.

FINANCE (continued)

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: FN1F15



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

TRANSFER OPTIONS (continued)

BA International Finance and Economics MH401

(Depending on your other subjects, two routes are possible; Single Major or Major/Minor)

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 50% in the 15-credit Economics/Finance subject in first year.
and
- b) Pass 15 credits of Mathematical Studies in first year.

BSc Economics MH415

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Economics in first year.
and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Mathematical Studies in first year.

BSc Quantitative Finance MH402

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Economics/Finance subject in first year.
and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject in first year.
and
- c) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the Computer Science subject in first year.

FRENCH

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: FR1F30 (Beginners)
FR1F15 (Non-Beginners)

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 6
30 credits: Timetable Groups 6&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 meaning that you must pass that module by 40%+ to continue with the subject in Year 2.

Recommended minimum entry

15 credit option, Non-Beginners
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)
H4 French.

Non-Beginners with less than a H4 should contact the department for advice before registering.

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

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with French within ARTS/ MH101 to either of the following:

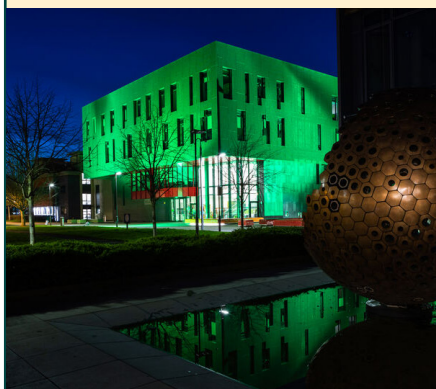
- Double major
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BBS Business and Languages MH409
To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject in first year. and
- b) Have a subject mark of at least 40% in the 15 or 30 credit French subject.

Remember that required modules must be passed by 40% or more to progress with the subject.



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):

- (i) Living Landscapes (Group 1, 15 credits)
- or
- (ii) Global Environments (Group 6, 15 credits)

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

Notes

1. From second year, Geography is timetabled in Group 1.
2. If you have written permission, you can combine Geography with another subject in Group 1 in first year only but remember, you cannot progress to second year with two Group 1 subjects.

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

- (i) 15 credits Group 1

or

- (ii) 15 credits Group 6

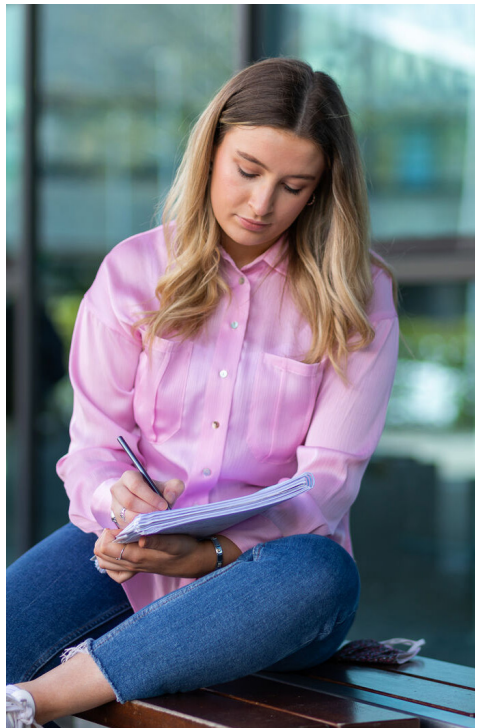
or

30 credits Geography (Groups 1&6) you can progress with Geography within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

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

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 & 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 meaning that you must pass that module by 40%+ to continue with the subject in Year 2.

Recommended minimum entry

15 credit option, Non-Beginners
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)
H4 German.

Non-Beginners with less than a H4 should contact the department for advice before registering.

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

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with German within ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BBS Business and Languages MH409
To transfer you must:

a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject in first year.
and

b) Have a subject mark of at least 40% in the 15 or 30 credit German subject.

Remember that required modules must be passed by 40% or more to progress with the subject.

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 ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

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

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&7

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.

SECOND YEAR

Progression options

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

- Double major
- Single major
 - You must Pass and achieve an average mark of at least 50% in History in first year.
- Major with minor
- Minor

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: KD1V30

International Development 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&7

Second semester amendment

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

SECOND YEAR

Progression options

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

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor





LAW

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: LW1V30

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 1

30 credits: Timetable Groups 1&7

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 King's Inns, allowing graduates to sit the entrance examinations for entry to training for the profession of barrister.

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.

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

You can progress with Law within ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

LLB Single major MH501

This is a four year degree programme

BCL Major MH502

Law, 40 credits and one other ARTS subject, 20 credits

Note

If you took the 15 credit option in first year, you may only transfer to a

- (i) Major BCL (40 credit Law)
or
- (ii) Single Major LLB.

ADDITIONAL TRANSFER OPTIONS

(only available if you took 30 credits of Law in first year)

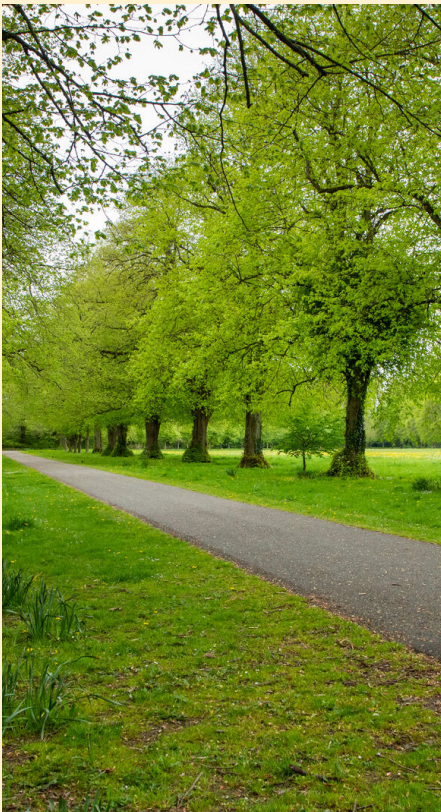
BCL double major MH502

(Law and one other ARTS subject) from first year.

LAW (continued)

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: LW1V30



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

ADDITIONAL TRANSFER OPTIONS (continued)

(only available if you took 30 credits of Law in first year)

BCL Law and Criminology MH502
(Major with minor)

To transfer, you must:

- Also pass 30 credits of Law in first year.

If transferring to the BCL, you will continue with Criminology (30 credits) and Law (30 credits)

or

Major (Law 40 credits) with Minor (Criminology 20 credits).

BCL Law and Accounting (MH502)

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass Law (30 credits) in first year. and
- b) Pass and achieve an average at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in first year.

BCL Law and Business MH502

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass 30 credits of the subject Law in first year. and
- b) Pass 30 credits of a Business subject in first year.

MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: MP1F15

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 ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Single major
 - 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: MS1F15

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 3

Recommended minimum entry requirement

Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)
O3/H7 Mathematics

Note

Students with Leaving Certificate H2 (or equivalent) also have the option of switching to Mathematics Pure in ARTS, i.e. 30 credits of Mathematics in first year.



SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

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

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BSc Economics MH415

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Economics in first year.
and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Mathematical Studies in first year.

BSc Quantitative Finance MH402

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Economics/ Finance subject in first year.
and
- b) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject in first year.
and
- c) Pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the Computer Science subject in first year.

MATHEMATICS (PURE)

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: MT1F30

Mathematics (Pure) is available as a 30 credit subject (only)

30 credits: Timetable Groups 1&3

Minimum entry requirement

Leaving Certificate H2 Mathematics

SECOND YEAR

Progression options

You can progress with Mathematics (Pure) within ARTS/MH101 to the following:

- **Double Major**
 - You must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year.
- **Major Mathematics (Pure)**
 - 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 other your first year subjects.

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 ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

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

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 ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with Minor
- Minor



MUSIC

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: MU1V30

Music 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&2

Minimum entry requirement

Leaving Certificate H5 Music

Second semester amendment

It is not permitted to take an additional 7.5 credits of Music at the beginning of the second semester.

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

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

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTION

There may be a possibility to transfer to the Bachelor of Music programme (MH103) at the beginning of second year. The transfer process is managed by the Department of Music and the Admissions Office and normally involves an audition.



MUSIC TECHNOLOGY

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: MU1TF15

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 4

Recommended minimum entry requirement

Leaving Certificate
O3/H7 Mathematics

SECOND YEAR

Progression options

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

- Double major
- Minor

NUA-GHAEILGE

AN CHÉAD BHLIAIN Cód Ábhair: NG1F15

Tá an Nua-Ghaeilge ar fáil mar ghnáthábhar (15 chreidiúint)

15 chreidiúint: Grúpa Amchláir 4.

Nóta

Tá an dá mhodúl ‘riachtanach’.

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AN DARA BLIAIN Bealaí chun cinn

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

- Dhá mhórábhar
- Mórábhar le mionábhar
- Mionábhar

NUA-GHAEILGE

FIRST YEAR Subject code: NG1F15

Nua-Ghaeilge is available as a standard subject (15 credits).

15 credits: Timetable Group 4

Note

Both modules are ‘required’ modules.

Minimum entry requirement

Leaving Certificate H4 Gaeilge

SECOND YEAR Progression options

You can progress with Nua-Ghaeilge within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor



PHILOSOPHY

FIRST YEAR

Subject code: PH1F15

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

15 credits: Timetable Group 1

SECOND YEAR

Progression options

You can progress with Philosophy within ARTS/MH101 to any of the following:

- Double major
- Major with minor
- Minor

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 ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- 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 ARTS/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 ARTS/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&7

Notes

Beginners must take 30 credit option
Non-Beginners must take 15 credit option

Each option (15 credit/30 credit) contains one 'required' module meaning that you must pass that module by 40%+ to continue with the subject in Year 2.

Recommended minimum entry

15 credit option, Non-Beginners
Leaving Certificate (or equivalent)
H4 Spanish.

Non-Beginners with less than a H4 should contact the department for advice before registering.

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

SECOND YEAR

Progression and Transfer options

Whichever option you choose, you can progress with Spanish within ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- Minor

TRANSFER OPTIONS

BBS Business and Languages
(MH409)

To transfer you must:

- a) Pass all modules in a 15 or 30 credit Business subject in first year. and
- b) Have a subject mark of at least 40% in the 15 or 30 credit Spanish subject.

Remember that required modules must be passed by 40% or more to progress with the subject.

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 alongside 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 ARTS/MH101 to either of the following:

- Double major
- Minor

Note

If you wish to take Statistics in second year as a Double major, or Minor you must have passed the subject Mathematical Studies or the subject Mathematics (Pure) in first year.



SECTION 6

USEFUL INFORMATION

CourseFinder

Our online CourseFinder tool is an excellent resource and you can use it to research programme information, detail on subjects, modules, assessments, and learning outcomes for modules. You can also use it to see module and subject options after you progress from first year.

Access to CourseFinder is from the main University website, Click 'For current students', click 'CourseFinder'.

Your Departments

Each department has an individual website which lists its location on campus, its contact details and the office hours of lecturing staff and the administration office.

Access to department websites is via the Maynooth University homepage, click 'Departments' and navigate to your chosen department.

Registry

Registry is made up of different units that you will interact with over the course of your studies. For first years, the Registry Offices you will most engage with are the Student Records Office (for everything relating to your registration), the Timetabling Office (for your timetables and lecture theatre allocation) and the Examinations Office (for your examination timetables and your results at the end of each academic year).

Registry is located on the south campus of the University 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 the different offices. All Registry units are also available for email enquiries.



Other Administration Offices

Other administration offices that you may wish to consult during your studies in Maynooth include the Admissions Office, the Conferring 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



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