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Fáilte An Uachtaráin

President's Welcome

Mar Uachtarán Ollscoil Mhá Nuad tá ríméad orm go bhfuil sé ar intinn agat teacht anseo chun staidéar a dhéanamh linn.

Tá oideachas sármhaith i réimse leathan ábhar ar fáil in Ollscoil Mhá Nuad. Is deis foghlama eisceachtúil é oideachas ollscoile óir bíonn tú in ann snas a chur ar do chuid smaointeoireachta, agus forbairt mar dhuine. Cuireann sé an bunús don saol gairmiúil a bheidh agat amach anseo agus an bunús do thodhchaí shaibhir amach anseo ar fáil duit.

I Má Nuad, creidimid sa chumhacht a bhaineann le hoideachas chun todhchaí níos fearr do chách a shamhlú agus a chruthú. Táimid tiomanta ag an gcreideamh seo i ngach aon rud a dhéanaimid agus múnlaíonn sé an t-eispéireas aonaránach a chuirimid ar fáil dár mic léinn.

An rud a sheasann amach fúinne ná cé chomh tiomanta is atáimid don mheas agus don aire a thugaimid dá chéile agus don mhuintearas eadrainn. Comhoibríonn ár bhfoireann go fíor-mhaith lena chéile, tá comhionannas agus ceartas sóisialta fíor-thábhachtach dúinn agus is é an cultúr atá againn ná barr feabhais a bhaint amach i gcónaí.

Táimid ag iarraidh go mbainfidh tú an méid is mó as oideachas ollscoile agus is féidir. Chomh maith leis an smaointeoireacht is déanaí san ábhar atá roghnaithe agat, beidh an deis agat scileanna criticiúla don todhchaí agus do na dúshláin atá romhainn sa tsochaí – sonraíocht, inniúlacht dhigiteach agus inbhuanaitheacht ina measc – a fhoghlaim.

Cabhróimid leat leis na scileanna intleachtúla a theastaíonn uait chun dul i mbun smaointeoireachta go criticiúil, chun anailís a dhéanamh ar chúrsaí casta, chun do chuid smaointe a chur in iúl go soiléir agus chun dul i mbun oibre le daoine eile go héifeachtach. Bíonn an deis tugtha do mhic léinn chomh maith modúil a dhéanamh taobh amuigh de do phríomhábhair, chun dul i mbun staidéir thar sáile agus chun taithí oibre phraiticiúil a bhaint amach duit féin. Tá saineolas ag athrú de shíor ach mairfidh na scileanna agus eispéiris bhunúsacha seo go deireadh an tsaoil.

Beidh tú i do bhall denár gcampas bríomhar chomh maith. Tá réimse éagsúil clubanna agus cumann ar fáil a thabharfaidh a lán deiseanna duit chun taitneamh a bhaint as spéiseanna taobh amuigh den churaclam, chun aithne a chur ar do chomhscoláirí agus chun caidrimh ar feadh an tsaoil a fhorbairt.

Má tá ollscoil uait a chuirfidh dúshlán romhat, a thabharfaidh inspioráid duit agus a chumhachtóidh thú, is í Ollscoil Mhá Nuad an áit duitse.

As President of Maynooth University, I'm delighted that you are considering studying with us.

Maynooth University offers an outstanding education in a wide range of subjects. A university education is an extraordinary opportunity to learn, refine your thinking, acquire skills, and develop as a person. It provides the foundation for your career and a fulfilling future.

At Maynooth, we believe in the power of education to imagine and create a better future for all. This belief drives everything we do and shapes the unique experience we offer our students.

What sets us apart is our deep commitment to respect, and care for each other, and our strong sense of community. You'll find collegiality among our staff, a dedication to equity and social justice, and a culture of continuous improvement.

We want you to get the most from your university education. As well as the latest thinking in your chosen subject, you'll learn essential skills in data, digital literacy, and sustainability - skills that will be critical to the future of work and the societal challenges we face.

We'll help you develop the intellectual skills to think critically, analyse complex issues, make good decisions, communicate your ideas clearly, and work well with others. We also offer opportunities to broaden your interests through modules outside your core subjects, studying abroad, and gaining practical work experience. Knowledge is always changing, but these foundational skills and experiences will last a lifetime.

You will also be part of our vibrant campus. Our diverse range of clubs and societies offers you many opportunities to enjoy extracurricular interests, engage with fellow students, and develop lifelong friendships.

If you are looking for a university that will challenge you, inspire you and empower you, Maynooth University is the place for you.

Professor Eeva Leinonen
President, Maynooth University

An tOllamh Eeva Leinonen
Uachtarán, Ollscoil Mhá Nuad

Student Numbers

Student numbers have soared from

4,000

in 1997

to more than

17,000

in 2026

Globally Connected University

Over

100,000

Maynooth University alumni worldwide

Employment

88%

of graduates are employed or in further study within nine months of graduating

Graduate Outcomes Survey 2025

Diversity

11% of entrants to our undergraduate degrees have a disability

3% of new entrants are mature students

12% of students are from a disadvantaged background

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Law Also available in specialised degrees - see section 8	52
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Statistics Also available in the Bachelor of Science degree - see section 2 Also available in specialised degrees: MH207 BSc Data Science p. 145 and MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82	65

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Statistics Also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1 Also available in specialised degrees: MH207 BSc Data Science p. 145 and MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82	79

OPC (Open choice to any degree stream):
You can choose OPC on your CAO application and decide on your preferred degree stream following admission. You must meet the minimum entry requirements for your preferred stream. Available in these degrees: **MH212**, **MH404**, **MH502**

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BSc Economics MH415 93

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BCL (Law and Accounting) MH502 LWA 95

BCL (Law and Business) MH502 LWB 96

Accounting, Business (International), Business (Management), Business (Marketing), Economics and Law also available as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

COMPUTER SCIENCE degrees – Section 4

BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW** MH604 100

BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence **NEW** MH605 101

Computer Science also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree – see section 1 and in the Bachelor of Science degree - see section 2

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BSc Robotics and Intelligent Devices MH306 114

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BMus Bachelor of Music MH103 119
Music & Music Technology also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

BA Psychology MH106 120
Also available as a specialised Bachelor of Science degree MH209 - see section 9
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BA Media Studies MH109 122
Media, Film & Cultural Studies also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

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BCL (Law and Languages) MH503 135

BA Criminology MH504 136

Accounting, Business (International), Business (Management), Business (Marketing), Criminology, French, German, Law and Spanish also available as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

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BSc Biomedical Science MH205 143

BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics MH206 144

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Psychology also available as a specialised Bachelor of Arts degree MH106 - see section 7
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MH109	BA Media Studies	**122**
MH111	BA Creative Writing and English	**123**
MH116	BSocSc Community and Youth Work (full-time)	**124**
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MH212	**MCS** BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education)	**148**
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MH212
MH404
MH502

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Research
at Maynooth University

Our research spans science and engineering, the social sciences, and the arts and humanities. Our five interdisciplinary Research Beacons bring together researchers from across disciplines to tackle the defining challenges of the 21st century.



Since 1795, Maynooth researchers have pursued discoveries that advance knowledge and improve lives.

Our research beacons

Data science and digital transformation

We advance computer science, artificial intelligence and data science to drive digital transformation across business, government and society. Bringing together expertise in mathematics, machine learning and large-scale data analytics, we develop innovative technologies and solutions that address complex challenges and create new opportunities.

Health and wellbeing

Our researchers investigate the causes, prevention and treatment of disease while advancing healthcare innovation, mental health and wellbeing. Working across disciplines, we explore health from the molecular to the population level, recognising the biological, social and environmental factors that shape lives. Through partnerships with healthcare providers, industry and researchers worldwide, we translate knowledge into better health outcomes for individuals and communities.

Heritage, culture and languages

We explore heritage, culture and languages to deepen understanding of our past, enrich contemporary society and shape more inclusive futures. Through research, creative practice and public engagement, we create new knowledge and cultural resources that inform debate, inspire creativity and address the social challenges of our time.

Society and public policy

Society and Public Policy is a multidisciplinary research strength at Maynooth University, bringing together expertise to understand the complex challenges facing contemporary society. Our research generates evidence that informs public policy and decision-making, working with government, communities, advocacy groups, think tanks and international organisations to improve lives, strengthen communities and address pressing societal challenges.

Sustainability and climate change

We develop research and solutions to address the challenges of climate change, sustainability and resource scarcity. Working with governments, industry and international partners, we advance environmentally sustainable development, strengthen resilience and support the transition to a more sustainable future. Aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, our research tackles global challenges including climate action, environmental conservation, poverty and inequality, with a focus on delivering equitable and lasting impact.

For more details visit: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/research

Graduate research academy

The Graduate Research Academy (GRA) is at the heart of Maynooth University's postgraduate research community. Every research student is part of the GRA, creating opportunities to connect across disciplines, share ideas and develop as researchers. Through training, mentorship, professional development and scholarship programmes, the GRA supports students throughout their research journey while fostering a collaborative, inclusive and vibrant research culture. To find out more about the Graduate Research Academy please visit:

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/graduate-research-academy

Leaving Certificate
Minimum Entry Requirements

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MH001		BEd Education – Froebel Primary Teaching	495	H4	O4/H7		O4/H7		3	104
MH002		BEd Education – Froebel Primary Teaching (Gaeltacht Applicants)	^	H3	O4/H7		O4/H7		3	104
MH003		BA Early Childhood - Teaching and Learning (full-time)	366	P	P				4	105
MH101		The Maynooth University Bachelor of Arts Degree	300	P	P	P			3	26
		> Accounting		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	33
		> Anthropology		P	P	P			3	34
		> Business (International)		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	35
		> Business (Management)		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	36
		> Business (Marketing)		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	37
		> Chinese Studies		P	P	P			3	38
		> Classical Studies		P	P	P			3	39
		> Computer Science		P	P	P	O3/H7[a]		3	40
		> Criminology		P	P	P			3	41
		> Economics		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	42
		> English		P	P	P			3	43
		> Finance		P	P	P	O4/H7[a]		3	44
		> French		P	P	P			3	45
		> Gaeilge | Nua-Ghaeilge++		H4[b]	P	P			3	46
		> Geography		P	P	P			3	48
		> German		P	P	P			3	49
		> History		P	P	P			3	50
		> International Development		P	P	P			3	51
		> Law		P	P	P			3	52
		> Mathematical Physics		P	P	P	O3/H7[a]		3	53
		> Mathematical Studies		P	P	P	O3/H7[a]		3	54
		> Mathematics (Pure)		P	P	P	H2[c]		2	55
		> Media, Film & Cultural Studies		P	P	P			3	56
		> Medieval Celtic Studies		P	P	P			3	57
		> Music[d]		P	P	P			3	58
		> Music Technology		P	P	P	O3/H7[a]		3	59
		> Philosophy		P	P	P			3	60
		> Politics		P	P	P			3	61
		> Psychological Studies		P	P	P			3	62
		> Sociology		P	P	P			3	63
		> Spanish		P	P	P			3	64
		> Statistics		P	P	P	O3/H7[a]		3	65
MH102++		BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies **NEW**	N/C	P	P	P			3	107
MH103		BMus Music	#	P	P	P			3	119
MH106		BA Psychology	481	P	P	P			3	120
MH107		BSocSc Social Science	326	P	P	P			3	121
MH109		BA Media Studies	337	P	H5	P			3	122
MH111		BA Creative Writing and English	356	P	H5	P			3	123
MH116		BSocSc Community and Youth Work (full-time)	#	P	P				4	124

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		> Biology		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	71
		> Chemistry		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	72
		> Computer Science		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	73
		> Data Science		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	74
		> Engineering Science		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	75
		> Experimental Physics		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	76
		> Mathematical Physics		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	77
		> Mathematics		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	78
		> Statistics		P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	79
MH202		BSc Biotechnology	423	P	P		O4/H7	S	2	140
MH203		BSc Biological and Geographical Sciences	401	P	P		O4/H7	S[G]	2	141
MH204		BSc Physics with Astrophysics	401	P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	142
MH205		BSc Biomedical Science	451	P	P		O4/H7	S	2	143
MH206		BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics	500	P	P		H2	S M	2	144
MH207		BSc Data Science	413	P	P		O1/H5	S M	2	145
MH209		BSc Psychology (through Science)	498	P	P		O4/H7	S	2	146
MH210		BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry	430	P	P		O4/H7	S	2	147
MH212 •	SED	BSc Science (with Education)	422	P	P		O4/H7	S M	2	148
	MCS	BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education)	422	P	P		H4	S M	2	148
	MED	BSc Mathematics (with Education)	422	P	P		H4	S M	2	148
MH221		BSc Sport Science and Health	441	P	P		O4/H7	S[P.E.]	2	150
MH222		BSc Food Science and Human Nutrition	422	P	P		O4/H7	S	2	151
MH304		BE Electronic Engineering	363	P	P		H4 ◊	S M ‡	2	112
MH305		BSc Product Design and Innovation	326	P	P		O3/H7		3	125
MH306		BSc Robotics and Intelligent Devices	353	P	P		O3/H7		3	114
MH402		BSc Quantitative Finance	465	P	P		O1/H5		3	82
MH403		BA Accounting and Finance	411	P	P		O4/H7		3	83
MH404 •	BMA	BBS/BBA Business and Management	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	84
	INB	BBS/BBA International Business	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	85
	MKT	BBS/BBA Marketing	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	86
	BGC	BBS/BBA Business and Management and Global Cultures	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	87
	IGC	BBS/BBA International Business and Global Cultures	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	87
	MGC	BBS/BBA Marketing and Global Cultures	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	87
MH407		BBS/BBA Business and Accounting	401	P	P		O4/H7		3	88
MH409		BBA Business and Languages	401	P	P		O4/H7		3	89
MH410		BBS/BBA Finance	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	90
MH411		BBS/BBA Entrepreneurship	360	P	P		O4/H7		3	91
MH412		BSc/BBA Business with Sport Science	451	P	P		O4/H7		3	92
MH415		BSc Economics	422	P	P		O1/H5		3	93
MH416		BA International Economics	402	P	P		O4/H7		3	94
MH501		LLB Law	453	P	P				4	130
MH502 •	LWA	BCL Law and Accounting	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	131
	LWB	BCL Law and Business	400	P	P		O4/H7		3	132
	LWC	BCL Law and Criminology	400	P	P				4	133
	LWD	BCL Law and Arts	400	P	P				4	134

Leaving Certificate
Minimum Entry Requirements (continued)

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CAO Code	Sub-option Code	Degree Name	Min Points 2026	Irish	English	Third Language	Maths	Science	Other Subjects	Page
MH503		BCL Law and Languages	400	P	P				4	135
MH504		BA (Criminology)	380	P	P				4	136
MH604		BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW**	N/C	P	P		O3/H7		3	100
MH605		BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence **NEW**	N/C	P	P		O3/H7		3	101
MH701~		BSc General Nursing	430	P	P		O6/H7	S[L]	2	156
Part-time or Flexible Degrees										
MH004^^		BA Early Childhood - Teaching and Learning (flexible)	^^							106
MH804		BA part-time, flexible learning (mature only)	Ÿ							126

a Recommended grade (not required)

b No beginner stream in this subject – Leaving Certificate H4 or equivalent required.

c H2 Leaving Certificate Mathematics or equivalent required

d Leaving Certificate H5 in Music or equivalent required

G O6 or H7 in Leaving Certificate Geography is acceptable as a Science subject

~ Requirements can only be accumulated over a maximum of 2 Leaving Certificate sittings.

^ MH002 is another application route for students who reside in officially designated Gaeltacht Language Planning areas and who use Irish as the normal language of the home (applicants must include their Eircode when applying to MH002). Applicant details will be forwarded to the Department of Education to determine eligibility for this route. Minimum entry requirements for MH002: as MH001 apart from the LC points requirement and the H3 Irish requirement.

M A pass in Leaving Certificate Applied Mathematics is acceptable as a science subject

P Pass required: O6 or H7. Foundation level Mathematics is accepted for matriculation (i.e. can be counted as one of the six subjects required - grade F6 or higher), but does not meet the requirement for degrees where Mathematics is a special programme requirement. Foundation level Irish is not accepted for matriculation. Points are not awarded for either subject.

S[P.E.] O6 or H7 Physical Education (P.E.) is acceptable as a Science subject

S O6 or H7 Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry)

S[L] O6 or H7 Laboratory Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry)

• (Open choice to any degree stream): You may choose OPC on your CAO application and decide on your preferred degree stream following admission. You must meet the minimum entry requirements for your preferred stream.

‡ A pass in Leaving Certificate Technology can be substituted for a science subject

◊ Applicants under 23 years of age must have at least 350 points

Restricted-application course. Selection for restricted-application courses is on the basis of one or a combination of a portfolio/test/audition as well as meeting any matriculation requirements.

* Random Selection - not all applicants on these points were offered places

^^ Applications to MH004 BA Early Childhood - Teaching and Learning (flexible) are made on the Advanced Entry portal on the CAO website. Minimum QQI level 6 in Early Childhood Education & Care required. MH004 will run subject to sufficient numbers in 2027. A decision on September 2027 intake will be made in May 2027. For more details please contact the Department.

Ÿ Mature entry only (21 on January 1st of the year of entry)

N/C New Course

++ New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination for Nua-Ghaeilge):

Maynooth University is delighted to introduce a new Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination) for students who wish to study Nua-Ghaeilge as part of the Arts MH101/MH102 programmes but who do not hold the standard H4 requirement.

The new examination provides an additional pathway for students who have a strong interest in Irish. Students must first receive and accept a CAO offer for a place on MH101/MH102. Following registration, students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge and who do not have the required H4 in Irish will have the opportunity to sit the Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge.

General Notes Re: Matriculation

1. Minimum entry requirements for all degrees (apart from MH001/MH002): applicants must present a minimum of 6 subjects in their Leaving Certificate, with minimum grades 2 Higher Level H5 and 4 Ordinary or Higher Level O6/H7, including Irish and English.
2. The minimum requirements for MH001 and MH002 are 3 Higher Level H5, and 3 Ordinary Level O6 or Higher Level H7. The minimum subject requirements are H4 Irish (H3 minimum required for MH002), O4/H7 English and O4/H7 Maths.
3. Foundation level Mathematics is accepted for matriculation (i.e. can be counted as one of the six subjects required - grade F6 or higher), but does not meet the requirement for degrees where Mathematics is a special programme requirement. Points are not awarded for this subject.
4. Foundation level Irish is not accepted for matriculation. Points are not awarded for this subject.
5. Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP) Link Modules **Points are awarded as follows:**
   - Distinction 66
   - Merit 46
   - Pass 28
6. Applicants can use their points allocation for the Link Modules as one of their best six subjects for the purpose of calculating points, but the Link Modules do not qualify as a subject for minimum entry requirement purposes.
7. NUI Exemption: If you have or are seeking an exemption from minimum entry requirements such as Irish (ROI applicants only) or a third language you must ensure this is an official NUI Exemption. Contact the NUI (www.nui.ie) for details.

www.mu.ie/level8

Meet Our Student Ambassadors

Real Students. Real Opportunities. Real Experiences.



Brooklyn

Computer Science Student

MU has given me opportunities to connect with industry and gain a global perspective.

As part of the Business Transformation Programme, I travelled internationally with the Innovation Value Institute (IVI), engaging with industry professionals and exploring innovative approaches to business and digital transformation from around the world.

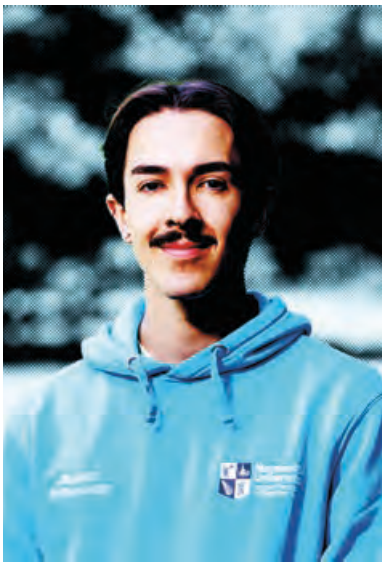
Anna

BA Criminology and Sociology Student

Getting involved at MU helped me find my feet and make the most of every opportunity.

Through MU, I've joined the Dance Society and Intervarsity Team, become a Student Ambassador and Orientation Leader, travelled to Lyon, France through the Global Changemakers Programme, and secured a place on the Summer Programme for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) as a research assistant.





Luca

Biomedical Science Student

MU has given me the chance to get involved, be creative and do what I love.

I've worked as a Student Ambassador, created content for the Maynooth Library, and got involved in clubs and societies including the Biology Society and the Music Society. As part of the MU Pop & Rock Band, I've also had the chance to sing and play guitar regularly at venues around Maynooth - making friends and gaining experiences beyond the classroom.



Welcome

Professor Tim Thompson

Vice-President (Students & Learning)

Is tréimhse lán le sceitimíní í teacht chuig an ollscoil agus ba chóir gur ar cheann de na cinntí is fearr a dhéanfaidh tú riamh í. Ach is féidir go mbeadh sí beagáinín neirbhíseach mar thréimhse freisin agus tá go leor le machnamh a dhéanamh air. Ní mór duit na roghanna cearta a dhéanamh duit féin – cad ba cheart duit staidéar a dhéanamh air, cén áit gur cheart duit staidéar a dhéanamh, agus cad atá ag teastáil go mbeadh rath ar do thréimhse linn anseo.

Tuigimid é sin anseo in Ollscoil Mhá Nuad, agus tá foireann iomlán againn réidh chun tacú leat i do fhorbairt phearsanta, acadúil agus ghairmiúil. Ba mhaith linn go n-éireoidh go geal leat - agus déanfaimid ár ndícheall chun cabhrú leat! Sprioc ár n-oibre ná go mothóidh tú gur cuid lárnach den ollscoil thú, go gcreideann tú ionat féin agus gur féidir leat bheith mar ba mhaith leat le linn do thréimhse anseo.

Tá Oifig na Mac Léinn & Foghlama anseo chun a chinntiú go mbeidh eispéireas iontach ag ár mic léinn go léir agus iad i mbun staidéir linn. Tá foirneacha againn i Seirbhísí na Mac Léinn, Scileanna agus Rath na Mac Léinn, Scileanna Criticiúla, Ionad an Teagaisc & na Foghlama agus inár Spóirt. Oibrímid go dlúth le hAontas Mac Léinn Mhá Nuad, na Clubanna agus na Cumainn, an Oifig Rochtana agus an Oifig Idirnáisiúnta chun go mbeadh am fíor-phléisiúrtha agaibh.

Tuigimid go mbíonn an saol gnóthach agus go mb'fhéidir go mbeidh tú ag plé le go leor rudaí éagsúla ag an am céanna. Buailfimid leat san áit ag a bhfuil tú, agus beidh réimse leathan gníomhaíochtaí spreagúla, luachmhara agus spraiúla againn duit le bheith páirteach iontu ar do théarmaí féin.

Sna leathanaigh seo a leanas beidh tú in ann tuilleadh a léamh faoi na rudaí atá ar fáil i Má Nuad. Beidh tú in ann a fheiceáil conas is féidir linn cabhrú leat rath a bhaint amach anseo san ollscoil agus i ndiaidh na hollscoile nuair a théann tú i mbun gairme agus i mbun eachtraíochta.

Táimid ag tnúth le bualadh leat go luath.

Tim.

Coming to university is an exciting time and it should be one of the best decisions you ever make. But it can also be a bit nerve-wracking and there is a lot for you to think about. You'll want to make the choices that are right for you – what to study, where to study, and what you need to do to succeed.

We here at Maynooth University understand that, and we have a whole team ready to support you in your personal, academic and professional development. We want to see you succeed – and will do all we can to help! We wrap all of our work around ensuring that you feel that you belong, believe and can be yourself.

The Office for Students & Learning is here to ensure that all of our students have a great experience while studying with us. We have teams in Student Services, Student Skills and Success, Critical Skills, the Centre for Teaching & Learning and in our Sports offerings. We work closely with our Maynooth Students' Union, Clubs and Societies, Access Office and International Office to give you a fulfilling time here with us.

We know that you have busy lives and may be juggling a lot of different things. We will meet you where you are, and have a wide range of exciting, rewarding and fun activities for you to get involved in on your own terms.

Over the next few pages you'll be able to read more about what is on offer at Maynooth. You'll be able to see how we can help you succeed here at university and also when you head off into a career and other life adventures.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Tim.



Scholarships

We offer our students a range of academic and sport scholarships



Professor Ronan Farrell, Vice President Academic and Registrar, pictured with 2025 Entrance Scholar Méibh Donfield.

Entrance Scholarship

The €1,000 Entrance Scholarship is automatically awarded to incoming first year students who apply through the Central Applications Office (CAO) and achieve 575 CAO points or higher in their school-leaving examinations. For students presenting the Irish Leaving Certificate, points must be obtained from six subjects in a single sitting; however, the sitting does not need to be in the same year as entry to the University.

For students presenting GCE A Levels, the award is based on achieving the required points from three or four A-Level subjects. The CAO processes applications for undergraduate courses at Irish Higher Education Institutions, including Maynooth University. All EU, EEA, and UK applicants for first year undergraduate degree programmes at Maynooth University must apply through the CAO.

Entrance Scholars also have the option of residing on campus (normal charges apply). Entrance Scholars who have not already booked their campus accommodation, will be offered campus accommodation during CAO Round 1 offers. Unfortunately, the University cannot offer accommodation places in Round 2 or subsequently to Entrance Scholars, as they are fully booked in Round 1 annually.

W.A. Barrett Scholarship in Engineering

The W.A. Barrett Scholarship in Engineering at Maynooth University was established in 2023 through the generosity of Earthridge International and the Barrett family to commemorate the late William Anthony (Tony) Barrett.

The scholarship provides €3,000 to eligible first year students taking a level 8 degree course that is accredited by Engineers Ireland at Maynooth University. Two scholarships are available for MH304/MH306 Engineering students.

Entrance Scholarship for MH103 Bachelor of Music

The Entrance Scholarship for MH103 Bachelor of Music is for one entrant to the degree commencing in September 2027. The top scoring applicant, based on the MH103 remote assessment, will be offered the scholarship of €1,000. The successful applicant is informed following registration.

Music Scholarship for current students

The Head of the Maynooth University Department of Music awards one undergraduate Music Scholarship each year. This scholarship is for current Music students and is based on their end of first year results.

Socio-economically disadvantaged students and students with disabilities

A number of scholarships and bursaries are available for students who face barriers to accessing third-level education due to significant socio-economic disadvantage or disability.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/access-office

University of Sanctuary Scholarship

The Sanctuary Award is an initiative of University of Sanctuary Ireland (UoSI) to encourage and celebrate the good practice of universities, colleges and institutes welcoming refugees, asylum seekers and other migrants into their university communities and fostering a culture of inclusion for all those seeking sanctuary. The Award aims to spread this culture of welcome across the institutions of higher education all over the island.

sanctuary@mu.ie

For more details

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/scholarships

Sport Scholarships

GAA, Golf, Rugby, Soccer, Snooker



Sports and physical activity are an important part of university life and we have plenty of opportunities for you to develop your talents or try something new. If you are a high-performance athlete, our Sport Ireland Institute Accreditation for Student Athlete Support award should give you the confidence to know that we will support both your sporting and academic success.

Our sporting stars continue to enjoy tremendous success, with MU Soccer enjoying a particularly good season in 2025-2026:

- the Senior Women's Soccer team lifted the Kelly Cup, securing an outstanding League and Cup double for the 2025/26 season, having already been crowned CUFL Premier Division champions earlier in the season
- the Men's Senior team retained the Collingwood Cup

We have a number of Sport Scholarship programmes available to our students, including GAA, rugby, snooker, soccer and the only elite golf scholarship in Ireland. High performance athletes in other sports can be considered for a CAO points concession if they have proven ability to compete at international level.

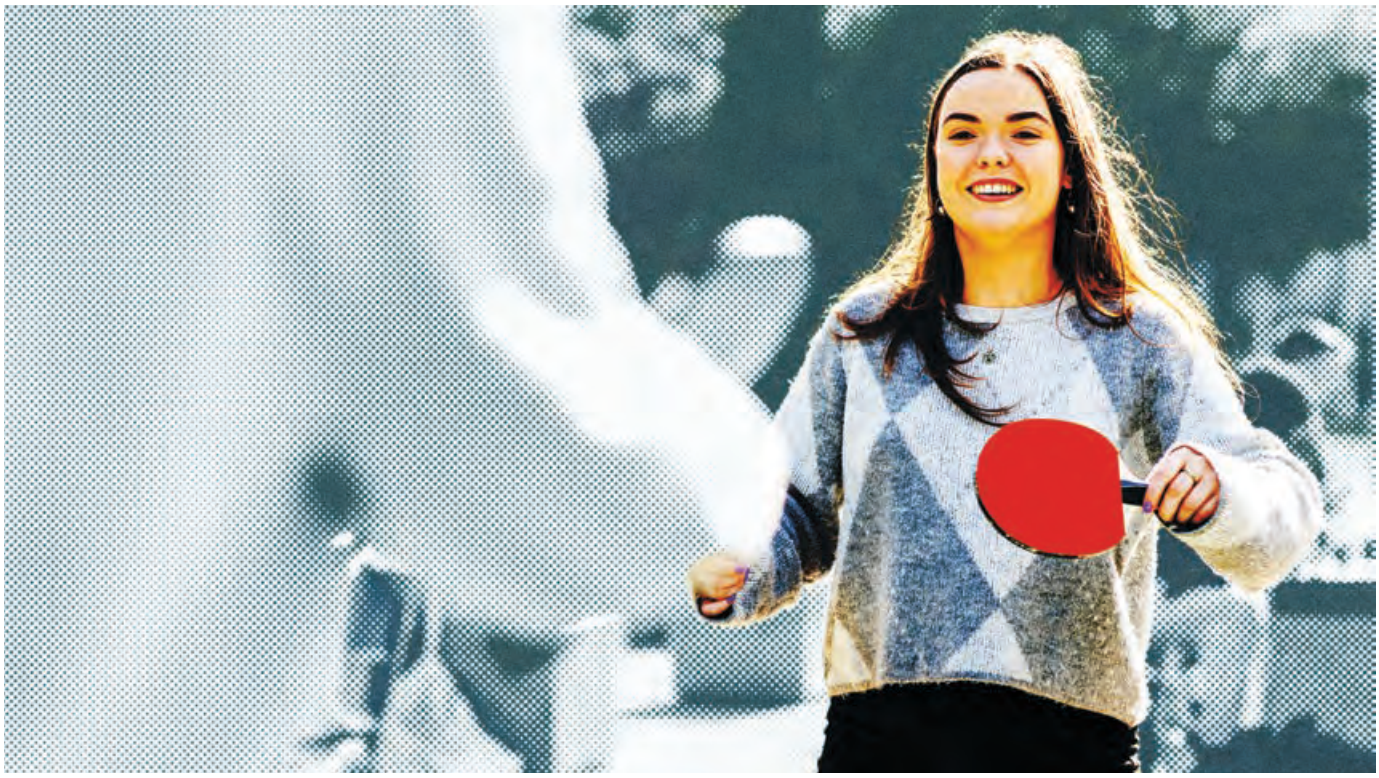
Our scholarships offer:

- concession of up to 60 CAO points if required – scholars must meet minimum entry requirements for their chosen degree. For MH001/MH002 Education - Froebel Primary Teaching, a limited number of places are available for the 60 points concession. No limit on places applies to other degrees however. See website for details.
- access to top level coaching and playing facilities
- sports psychology, medical and physiotherapy support
- health and nutrition advice
- fitness and performance testing and analysis
- financial bursary
- ongoing academic support
- strength and conditioning support
- free gym membership

More information about Sport Scholarships along with contact details for the team of Sports Development Officers are available on the website.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/sportscholarships

Clubs & Societies



Maynooth University (MU) Clubs and Societies are the lifeblood of campus activity and provide you with a great opportunity to throw yourself into university life.

With over 100 Clubs & Societies they are confident, no matter what your tastes, that you will find at least one that is perfect for you! From developing existing skills, trying something different to making new friends; joining a club or society is one of the best things you can do.

Many students look back at their time spent in Clubs & Societies as one of their college highlights - the opportunities for friendship, social development and personal growth are almost unlimited!

www.mulife.ie

Societies

- Access
- Africa
- Agricultural
- Anime & Sci Fi
- Anthropology
- Arab
- Arts Crafts and Design
- Astronomy
- Biology
- Broadcasting
- Business
- Catholic
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Christian Union
- Classics
- Computer Science
- Cuallacht Cholm Cille
- Dance
- Data Science
- Deutsch
- Disney
- DJ
- Drama
- Economics
- ELSA
- Engineering & Robotics
- Environmental
- Erasmus Student Network
- Fashion
- Filipino
- Film
- FLAC
- French
- Froebel
- Games
- Geography
- History
- Ignited Christians in University
- Indian
- International Law
- Investors
- Islamic
- Knitting & Crochet
- Latin American Culture
- Law
- Law & Technology
- Lego
- Maths
- Mature
- Mental Health
- Music
- Musical
- Neurodiversity
- Ogra Fianna Fail
- People of Colour in Law
- Philosophy
- Polish
- Pride
- Psychology
- Publication & Literary
- Sinn Fein
- Socialist Party
- Spanish
- St Catherines
- Tea
- The Purpose Movement
- Thomistic Institute
- Trad Music
- Ukrainian
- Visual Media
- Women in Law
- Women in STEM
- Yoga
- Young Fine Gael

Clubs

- Aikido
- American Football
- Archery
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Boxing
- Chess
- Darts
- Dodgeball
- Equestrian
- Fencing
- GAA
- Go Karting
- Golf
- Hockey
- Jiu Jitsu
- Judo
- Muay Thai
- MUCK
- Powerlifting
- Rock Climbing
- Rovers
- Rugby
- Shotokan Karate
- Snooker
- Snowsports
- Soccer
- Surf
- Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Trampoline
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball

*Listing may change.

Aontas Mac Léinn Mhá Nuad
Maynooth Students' Union (AMLMN-MSU)

Welcome to AMLMN-MSU – Your Students' Union!

Whether you're joining Maynooth University (MU) or St Patrick's Pontifical University (SPPU) you're already part of AMLMN-MSU! That's right, from the moment you register, you've got an entire student-led organisation backing you.

We're here to represent you, support you, and help you get the most out of your university experience from day one to graduation!

AMLMN-MSU Representation

AMLMN-MSU is led by students, for students. Our team of elected Executive Officers (full-time and part-time) works to:

- Represent your voice on campus and nationally
- Advocate for your rights
- Run exciting events and impactful campaigns
- Deliver services that matter to you

Want to learn more or get involved? Visit: **www.msu.ie**

Student Opportunities

Getting involved with AMLMN-MSU is a great way to meet people, gain skills, and make a difference. There's something for everyone - including:

- Work part-time with AMLMN-MSU (we're a Living Wage employer!)
- Run for student leadership roles – Exec, Senate, or Class Rep
- Join or support local and national campaigns
- Get involved in fundraising and volunteering
- Attend social events and get stuck into student life

The AMLMN-MSU Student Centre

The AMLMN-MSU Student Centre is your go-to place for:

- Socialising, relaxing, or grabbing food with friends
- Events, gigs, and student activities
- Support and services

At the heart of it is the AMLMN-MSU Info Centre. This is your one-stop shop for:

- Leap Cards, travel info
- Printing, binding, laminating
- Help with any questions, big or small

Other AMLMN-MSU Services:

- AMLMN-MSU Club (Bar & Venue) – located in the Student Centre. Food all day, live entertainment into the night.
- AMLMN-MSU Londis Shop – located in the John Hume Building. Student-friendly prices, run by students.

Get in touch with AMLMN-MSU!

www.msu.ie

frontdesk@msu.ie

01 708 3669

@maynooth_su on Instagram and **@maynoothsu** on TikTok

We're based in the AMLMN-MSU Student Centre, and we're always happy to help.

An Ghaeilge San Ollscoil
Irish in the University

Tá pobal Gaeilge beomhar agus bríomhar anseo in Ollscoil Mhá Nuad.

Cuirimid imeachtaí iontacha ar siúl ar an gcampas go rialta do chainteoirí Gaeilge agus do dhaoine a bhfuil spéis acu sa teanga agus sa chultúr agus sna healaíona a bhaineann léi. Bíonn an-tóir ag mic léinn ar ár dtionscadail éagsúla, na ranganna Gaeilge um thráthnóna agus an Scéim Chónaithe Ionnaithe ar an gcampas thuaidh ina measc. Tá Cuallacht Cholmcille, cumann Gaelach na hOllscoile, ar cheann de na cumainn is mó agus is rathúla ar an gcampas agus ar an gcumann Gaelach ollscoile is sine sa tír, óir tá oidhreacht iontach saibhir againn anseo i Má Nuad ó thaobh na Gaeilge de.

Oifig na Gaeilge ✉ oifig.nagaeilge@mu.ie

Cuireann Oifig na Gaeilge an Ghaeilge agus an cultúr agus na healaíona a bhaineann léi chun cinn i measc na foirne agus na mac léinn. Má tá spéis agat sna séirbhísí agus sna himeachtaí, bí linn agus tapaigh na deiseanna atá ar fáil anseo! Lean Oifig na Gaeilge ar na meáin shóisialta le teacht ar an nuacht agus ar na himeachtaí is déanaí:

@OnaGaeilgeMU

@OnaGaeilgeMU

There is a vibrant and engaging Irish language community here in Maynooth University.

We hold wonderful events on campus regularly for those who speak Irish and for those are interested in the language and its associated Arts and culture. Many of our projects have proven very popular, including our Irish classes in the evening and our Irish Language Residence Scheme on the North Campus. Cuallacht Cholmcille, the University's Irish language society, is one of the largest and most successful societies on campus, as well as the oldest Irish-language university society in the country, which serves as a testament to our extremely rich heritage in Maynooth regarding the Irish language.

Irish Language Office ✉ oifig.nagaeilge@mu.ie

The Irish Language Office promotes the Irish language and its associated Arts and culture amongst staff and students. If you have an interest in the events and services of Oifig na Gaeilge, join us and make the most of the opportunities available here! Follow the Irish Language Office on social media for the latest news and events:

@OnaGaeilgeMU

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Your MU Experience

Personal, Academic and Professional Growth



Academic Supports

Academic Writing and Study Skills Supports

Academic and Programme Advisory Services

Computer Science Centre

Mathematics Support Centre

MILO – Inclusive Learning Online

IT and Moodle Support

LIST (Library Information Skills Tutorials)

An Droichead-Ionad Tacaíochta na Gaeilge / Irish Language Support Centre

At Maynooth University, we are committed to empowering you to fulfil your potential.
We deliver this vision through a programme of supports from pre-arrival to graduation.

Starting Out

Our **online and in-person orientation** programme supports you from the time of offer and throughout your first year at Maynooth University. Explore your 'First Steps' with our online orientation and start to become familiar with the Maynooth experience before you arrive on campus. Once here, our in-person orientation will give you the chance to meet with current students, tour the campus, learn about all the supports available, be welcomed to your subjects, and start to connect with others in your course or who share similar interests.

Your Journey, Our Support - Every Step Of The Way

We take pride in providing welcoming, supportive, non-judgmental, and person-centred support. We encourage students to engage with the resources that will help them manage their journey and support them throughout their time at Maynooth.

We offer a Circle of Support to guide and support you throughout your student journey.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-services

Achieving Your Academic Goals

At Maynooth University, you will have access to a wide range of academic supports whenever you require them. Whether you'd like help with your course, tips on academic writing, someone to talk to about your subjects, or help to prepare for your exams, we're here to guide you every step of the way.

This support will be available through various methods, including personal appointments, peer learning, workshops, virtual tools, and more, allowing you to access them in a way that works for you.

We also equip you with the tools to succeed. As a Maynooth University Student, you get free access to Microsoft Office 365, including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and more.

For more details log on to

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-success

Circle of Support

Student Support Team
Student Helpdesk
Student Health Service
Counselling Service
Healthy Campus
The Crèche

An Inclusive and Diverse Campus

Where Diversity Drives Success

Maynooth University takes a strength-based holistic approach to education, ensuring we support students by offering a range of personal, social, academic and financial supports across the whole ecosystem. Maynooth University actively promotes the participation of students traditionally furthest from accessing higher education in Ireland. While talent exists across all student cohorts, under-represented students often navigate additional barriers to opportunities and participation within education.

Individually we are unique, collectively we are diverse.

Maynooth Access Programme (MAP)

If you're the first in your family to attend university, returning to education, or facing financial or educational barriers, our MAP supports across the university are here to support you with getting to university, settling in and studying with confidence.

Who MAP is for

MAP supports are for students identified in the National Access Plan for Equity of Access to Higher Education as being under represented in higher education, including:

- Students from socio economically disadvantaged backgrounds
- Mature students (23+)
- Students with disabilities

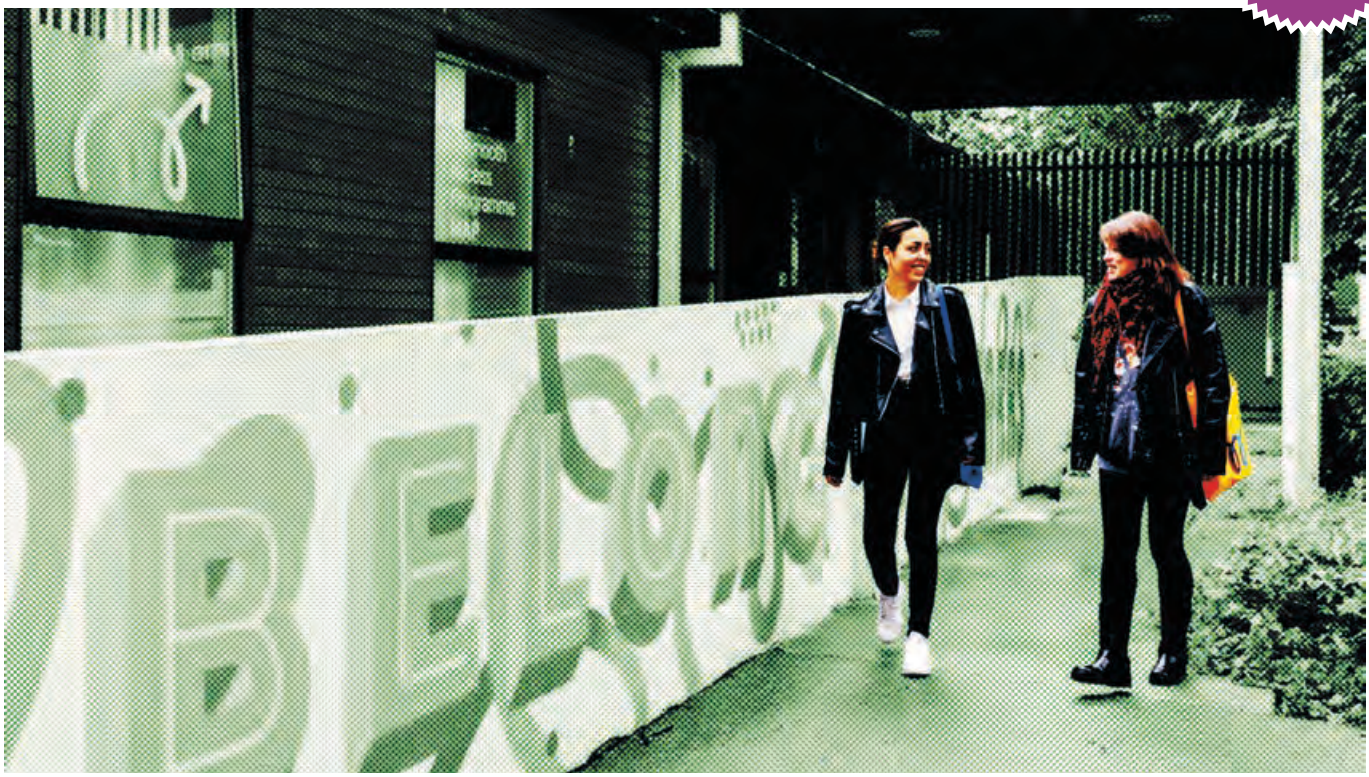
How MAP supports you

From your first week to graduation, MAP includes practical, timely support to help you succeed:

- **A dedicated MAP Advisor** who knows your course and checks in with you
- **Orientation Week** introductions with an extended first semester welcome to help you settle in
- **Academic skills and study supports** tailored to university learning
- **Financial and technology supports**, where eligible
- **Work placement and progression supports**, linked to your degree

You stay independent - MAP gives you the tools.

More information on pages 161-163



Learning Experience at MU
Your Maynooth University Education

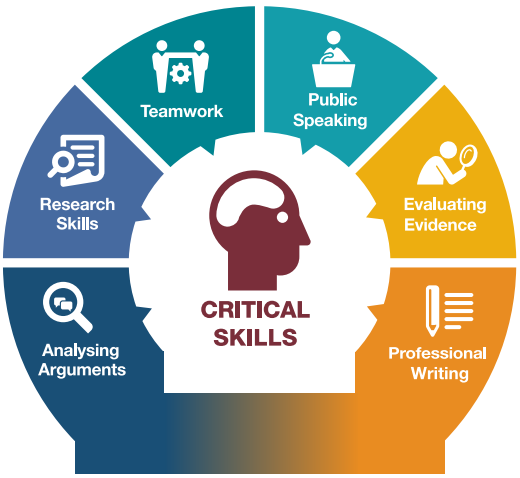
A Maynooth University Education offers you many opportunities to personalise your degree programme; our flexible programme pathways include a dedicated Critical Skills subject, the opportunity to take an elective, and real world learning opportunities to enrich your degree.

First Year Critical Skills Courses

Our award-winning Critical Skills modules are unique in Ireland and are designed as electives to complement your degree topics. Our students strengthen their professional research and writing skills, quantitative reasoning, data visualisation, and teamwork skills. They better understand the connection between learning and civic engagement, cultivate curiosity and persistence, and develop critical digital literacies for diverse audiences, composing complex digital texts like podcasts.

In 2024 the team won the Arqus Teaching Excellence Award for their work on data literacy - empowering our students to critically understand the use and abuse of statistics and data visualisations.

So, expect small classes, active learning and engaging teaching that explores some of the key issues of our time. We want to build student confidence by providing a learning environment that is both supportive and academically challenging. Our students tell us every year about how much they enjoy Critical Skills, and how it supports the other subjects they study.



See the degree pages that follow for details regarding availability of our 15 credit Critical Skills courses.

For more details log on to
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/critical-skills

Flexible Degree Structure

At the start of second year, some students will have the option to avail of the University's flexible pathways structure. See the degree pages of this prospectus for details on the pathways available.

The Programme Advisory Office is available to assist and advise undergraduate students, including incoming first year students, with programme related decisions.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/programme-advisory-office

Real World Learning

Maynooth University students get the opportunity to experience more from their degree programme with an enhanced range of high-impact learning experiences, connecting classroom content with real-world experience, where students learn by doing and reflecting on this experience. These include opportunities in undergraduate research, work and professional development, student leadership, study abroad and community engagement, empowering our students to develop their skills and competencies for work, life and citizenship.

For more details log on to
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers/students

Second Year Elective Streams

Elective streams allow you to make more of your university education, and to take better advantage of the world-class lecturers and interesting subject material that Maynooth University has to offer. They may help to broaden your perspective, allow you to interact with students from other disciplines, or help you develop transferable skills for the future in a way that complements your main disciplinary studies. An elective stream can amount to one-sixth of the total course work for the year. Registration for electives is subject to enrolment limitations, and also must be compatible with the timetabling and other requirements of your main subjects. Some combinations of electives and subjects are excluded.

Sample Electives:

The range of Electives available may include:

- Ancient Mythology – Epic and Tragic Tales
- Beginning/Continuing Chinese/French/German/Spanish
- Catalan Language and Culture
- Creative Technologies and Digital Prototyping
- EDEN Entrepreneurship Design and Innovation
- Film and Screen Studies
- Foundations in Science Writing and Communication
- Gender and Sexuality in Society and Culture
- Global Environmental Change
- Good and Evil
- Great Books
- Introduction to Philosophy in the Digital Age
- Portuguese Language and Culture
- Service Innovation
- Skills for Success: Professional Development

Visit www.maynoothuniversity.ie/electives for the full list of currently available Elective Streams.

Careers and Employability
Becoming Future Ready

The MU Careers and Employability Service is dedicated to enabling you to develop the future focused skills you need to excel professionally, whether that means exploring future career paths, upskilling, securing a placement, or networking with potential employers.

We are dedicated to empowering students to make informed decisions, develop future-focused skills and competencies, insights and awareness needed to excel personally, professionally and transition to work or further study. Crucially our work is supported by our academic faculty, wide network of employers and active alumni.

Our service comprises a wide range of career enhancing activities and personal and professional skills development opportunities. So whatever your stage of study or clarity of thinking regarding your career development, from first year through to final year and as a recent graduate we are here to support you. Whether you are looking for a job, wondering what career would suit you, or want to improve your transferable skills, the Careers and Employability Service can help.

Career Guidance and Advice

Our Careers Guidance professionals are available to provide 1 to 1 guidance appointments. Starting out on your career journey can be exciting, a little confusing and sometimes overwhelming. We're here to help you – whether you'd like help in generating some career ideas, exploring your interests, skills and motivations or just finding out what we do and how we can help – it is never too early to talk to us.

Upskill Programmes

Why not embark on activities that will help you gain future focused skills, enhance your personal awareness, professional focus and gain University recognition for these experiences. Our Upskill team offer a range of learning opportunities that do just that including; Student Experience Award (MUSE), Alumni Mentoring Programme, Micro Internships and the Summer Programme for Undergraduate Research (SPUR).

Accredited Placement

Embedded within the Maynooth University Accredited Work Placement Programme is an invaluable opportunity for students to immerse themselves in a real-world work environment, as an integral part of the degree progression. This immersive placement fosters the development of competencies imperative for sustained career growth. Our Placement team coordinates and manages the seamless integration of our students into professional work environments, aligning with the accredited requirements of their degree programmes. This integral process is cultivated through the collaborative engagement of Students, Faculty, and Employers.

Find out more about us at
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/careers



Áine Kennedy

BBA Entrepreneurship

CEO & Founder of The Smooth Company

As the proud owner of my own business, being named in the Forbes 2026 30 Under 30 – Europe, EY Entrepreneur Of The Year Emerging Winner 2025, and PWC Young Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024, I can confidently say that Maynooth University played a huge role in getting me to where I am today. My time there was an incredibly enriching experience that has greatly influenced my personal and professional development.

My degree in Entrepreneurship provided me with the academic knowledge, resilience and practical skills essential for launching my own business. The variety of modules I studied helped me grasp the importance of innovation and strategic thinking, which have been invaluable in my career. I also did a placement year during my third year through which I gained crucial experience in the business world.

Maynooth University provided me with the best college experience I could have ever hoped for.

Study Abroad
Take Your Degree Global

Ever imagined living in another country while studying for your degree? At Maynooth University, you can do just that.

Studying abroad gives you the opportunity to spend a semester or even a full academic year at one of our partner universities around the world, typically during the third year of your degree. Whether you're drawn to the vibrant cities of Europe, the stunning landscapes of Australia, or the rich cultures of Asia and places beyond and in between, you will have the chance to broaden your horizons while continuing your studies.

It's not just about travel - it's about discovering new cultures, building confidence, and seeing the world from a whole new perspective.

Why Study Abroad?

Studying abroad gives you real advantages for your future:

- Boost your CV with international experience
- Develop language and communication skills
- Grow in confidence and independence
- Experience new cultures and ways of thinking
- Stand out to future employers in a global job market
- Studying abroad counts towards your degree and is reflected on the student's transcript, and their host university is also noted on their transcript.

The International Office helps Maynooth University students to make the most of global opportunities through Erasmus+ and non-EU exchange programmes with partner universities around the world.

Explore Europe with Erasmus+

Through the Erasmus+ Programme, you can study at one of over 100 partner universities across Europe. With EU funding to support your experience, you will have the opportunity to live and study abroad, immerse yourself in a new culture, and continue your degree with confidence.

Go Global Beyond Europe

Want to go even further? Our **Non-EU Exchange Programme** offers opportunities in countries like Canada, the USA, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, and Australia.

This is your chance to experience life on a different continent, meet people from around the world, and gain a truly global perspective.

The International Office helps you:

- choose your destination and prepare your application (advice on partner universities, academic requirements, credit recognition, accommodation, immigration, wellbeing)
- plan your travel and settle into life abroad through orientation activities
- by offering guidance and support at every stage of your international experience



Amanda Niemela

BA Media Studies Student (MH109)

Year Abroad Student at Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong

The MU International Office were really helpful in the whole process - from making my application to settling into life in Hong Kong Baptist University. I have been able to choose very interesting classes, especially in film, and I've enjoyed them a lot.

The staff and other students have been so nice and excited that I have chosen to come here. We have been planning to visit Vietnam, Cambodia, the Philippines, and maybe Thailand over the holiday break. Overall, I really recommend Study Abroad - it has been an amazing adventure!

Where Maynooth University Students Studied Abroad in 2025

North America and Canada

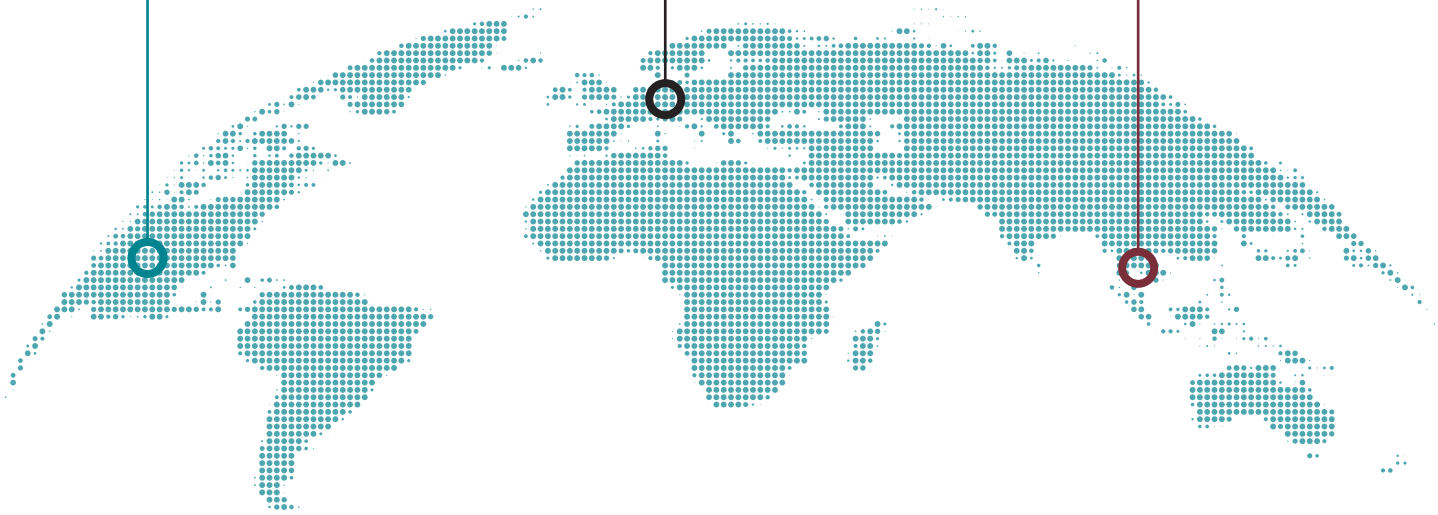
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Lexington
New Orleans
Boston
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Oxford
Wilmington
New York
Brockport
Dayon
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Ottawa

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Greece
Italy
Lithuania
Malta
Netherlands
Norway
Poland
Portugal
Slovakia
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
United Kingdom

Asia-Pacific

Beijing
Hong Kong
Shanghai
Akita
Singapore
Melbourne
Perth
Sydney



Ready to go?

Your adventure starts here. It's never too early to get in touch with our team and start exploring your options.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/going-abroad-maynooth
intl.outgoing@mu.ie
Instagram @maynoothuni_goingabroad

Be Part of Something Bigger: Arqus Alliance

Maynooth University is proud to be part of the Arqus European University Alliance, a European Commission-supported initiative connecting leading universities across Europe.

As a Maynooth University student, you are automatically part of this international network, giving you access to:

- Additional short-term study abroad opportunities
- Scholarships and funding supports
- Virtual experiences like language cafés and intercultural workshops
- Opportunities to study abroad at partner universities across countries such as Spain, Austria, Germany, France, Portugal, Italy, Lithuania, and Poland.

Maynooth University
National University of Ireland Maynooth

a member of the arQus European University Alliance

Campus
Facilities



The campus spans extensive grounds with the older complex of fine nineteenth century buildings on the South Campus and a modern complex of teaching, research, accommodation and support facilities on the North Campus. Some of our campus facilities are outlined here.

Student Accommodation

First Year Students

Approximately 1,200 students live on campus. The main campus accommodation is situated just a short walk to all lecture, sports and recreational facilities on the North Campus.

Currently 50% of all campus accommodation is reserved for new first year students. The average annual cost for a room in Student Residences on campus runs from between €5,556 to €9,880 depending on choice of room and facilities.

Full details of how to book a room are updated each year on the Student Residences Office webpages. A booking fee is payable to confirm a booking.

Entrance Scholars (over 575 points) have a guaranteed option of residing on campus (normal charges apply). See page 12 for more details.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-residences

Irish Language Accommodation / Scéim Chónaithe

We reserve rooms on campus in the Scéim Chónaithe where students have the opportunity to use the Irish Language as their day-to-day language and can get involved in Irish cultural events and activities.

Off-Campus Accommodation

MaynoothStudentpad.ie is a self-service, online off-campus accommodation listing service for registered Maynooth University students. There are different accommodation options to choose from in Maynooth and the surrounding towns and villages, such as rooms to rent in owner occupied homes (the traditional 'digs' style accommodation), as well as private rented apartments and houses.

For more information please visit:
MaynoothStudentpad.ie

Short-stay or Occasional Accommodation

Maynooth College Hospitality offers short-stay or occasional accommodation in standard and en-suite rooms. The South Campus rooms are ideal for frequent/repeat short stays, e.g. students who need a room every Tuesday and Wednesday night during timetable weeks. Also a good option for ad hoc stays, e.g. if studying late or avoiding the commute now and again. Special rates apply for frequent, multiple-night stays. Once students know their schedule for the semester, they simply fill out the frequent stay form (link available via the website below) with the required dates and, subject to availability, Maynooth College Hospitality will confirm. They offer a reasonable cancellation policy, flexible ways to book, long opening hours and special student rates.

www.maynoothcollege.ie/hospitality





Sports Facilities

The new Sport Science Centre, an extension of the Phoenix Sports and Restaurant Building, due to open in early 2027, adds a state-of-the-art student gym, sports hall and changing facilities to our existing sports facilities which include:

- Sports halls
- Fitness centre, weights room, fully-equipped gym
- Changing rooms
- Outdoor fitness area featuring 60m sprint track and calisthenics equipment
- Floodlit natural turf playing fields
- Floodlit all-weather playing pitch

The sports halls host activities including basketball, fencing, karate and archery. Weekly aerobics and circuit training sessions also take place in the sports halls.

The outdoor playing fields cater for Gaelic football, hurling, soccer, camogie and rugby. The nearby River Liffey plays host to MUCK – the canoe and kayak club. Walking, golf or horse riding are options at the nearby Carton Estate.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/sports

Student Study & Social Spaces Include:

- Study and social pods next to the Arts Building
- The Arts Building Reading Room
- Study pods in the Iontas Building
- The Library's bookable study rooms
- The Student Common Room in the Arts Building - microwaves, hot water and seating
- Amphitheatre behind the Arts Building
- Clubs and Societies space over three floors of the Rye Building with activities room, meeting rooms and kitchen facilities

Library

The Library offers a wide range of study and social facilities including a café, laptop lending and WiFi. It is an eco-friendly building with a seeded roof and a range of technologies that minimise its impact on the environment.

With access to over **850,000 ebooks, 95,000 ejournals, 300 databases and over 460,000 print publications**, the Library help you to make the most of your time in MU. It has a range of study areas, laptops, PCs and group study rooms fully equipped with AV facilities. Library Information Skills tutorials and dedicated staff are available to assist students.

The Library also has lots of spaces to relax including a Café, an Exhibition space and landscaped atrium. There are three energy pods to relax and recharge in as well as a sensory regulation pod, Cubbie, and a dedicated Quiet Room in our newly designed wellness area. For more ways to unwind, you can also enjoy the Short Story Dispenser!

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library

Cafés and Dining on Campus

- **Nourish** – Arts Building
- **Phoenix Food Court** – Phoenix Building
- **Griolladh** – John Hume Building
- **Starbucks** – The Library
- **53.3 Degrees** – TSI Building
- **Students' Union Club** – North Campus
- **Students' Union Shop** – John Hume Building
- **Pugin Hall** – St. Patrick's House on the South Campus

*Venue names and product offerings can change.

Maynooth University achieves strongest performance in Ireland in sustainability rankings

Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2026

The rankings measure universities' contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through research, teaching, campus operations and engagement with society.

These results reflect the University's long-standing commitment to sustainability, and the work taking place across research, teaching, campus operations and community engagement over many years.



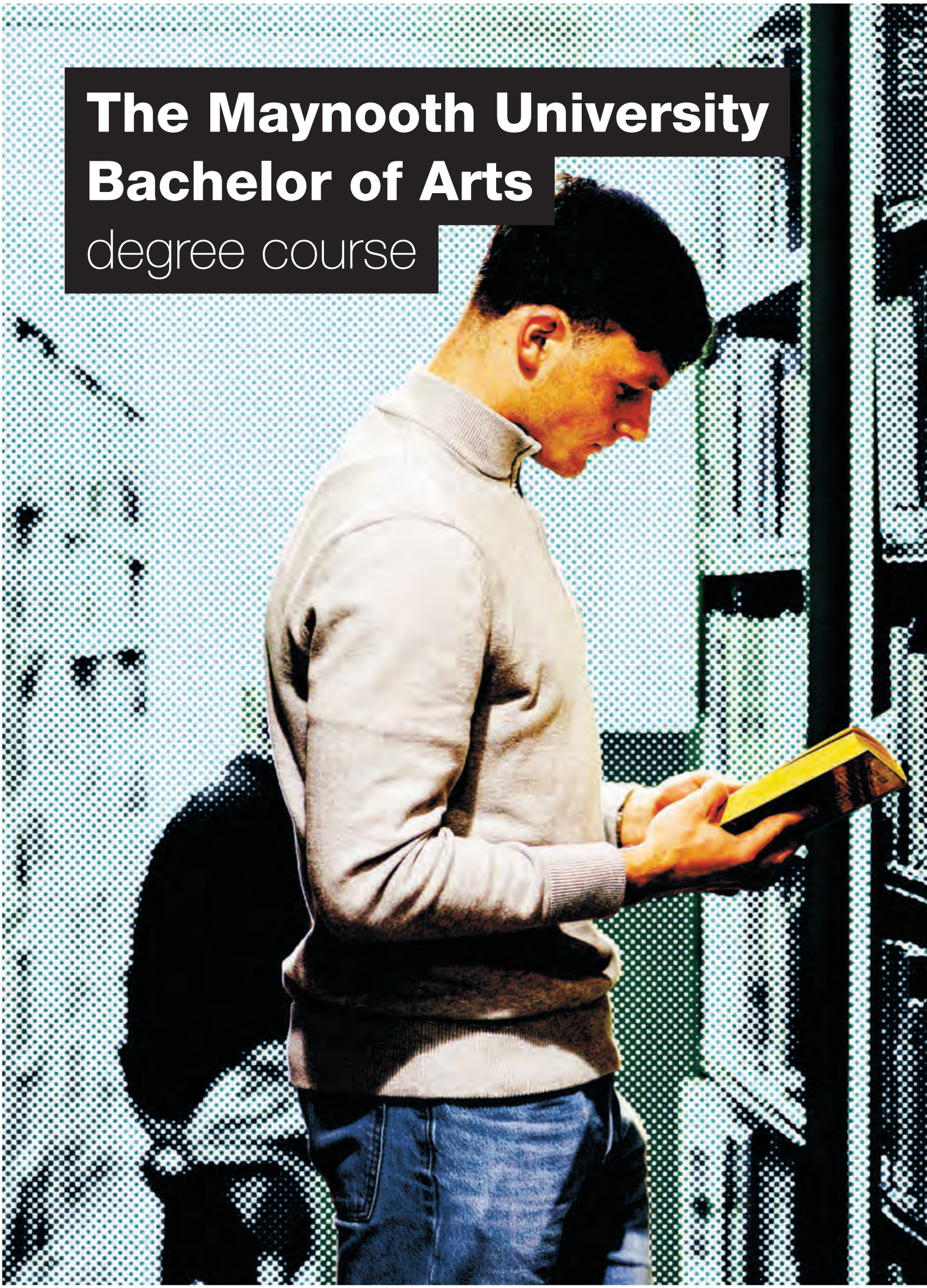


Examples of our initiatives to contribute to UN Sustainable Development Goals include:

- Student Pantry and other cost-of-living supports
- biodiversity projects including pollinator-friendly planting, and sustainable grounds management across campus
- implementation of the University's Climate Action Plan to reduce emissions and improve energy efficiency

The Maynooth University Bachelor of Arts

degree course





Bachelor of **Arts** degree

CAO Code: MH101

Min. CAO Points 2026: 300

Subjects available in the BA degree:

Accounting	33
Anthropology	34
Business (International)	35
Business (Management)	36
Business (Marketing)	37
Chinese Studies	38
Classical Studies	39
Computer Science	40
Criminology	41
Economics	42
English	43
Finance	44
French	45
Gaeilge | Nua-Ghaeilge (Modern Irish)	46
Geography	48
German	49
History	50
International Development	51
Law	52
Mathematical Physics	53
Mathematical Studies	54
Mathematics (Pure)	55
Media, Film & Cultural Studies	56
Medieval Celtic Studies	57
Music	58
Music Technology	59
Philosophy	60
Politics	61
Psychological Studies	62
Sociology	63
Spanish	64
Statistics	65



SECTION 1: **The Maynooth University Bachelor of Arts Degree**

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

Places: 1,750

Course Length: 3 years (4 if taking Erasmus/Study Abroad option)

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & 3rd language (minimum grade H5 in two subjects and a minimum of grade O6/H7 in the remaining four subjects. Minimum O6/H7 in Irish, English and a third language)

Why the Maynooth University Bachelor of Arts Degree is one of the best decisions you will ever make.

The World Economic Forum identifies critical thinking, creativity and communication as the top skills employers want. These are at the core of our Bachelor of Arts degree.

In the Maynooth University MH101 BA degree, you will learn essential skills including:

- critical thinking: analyse complex problems from multiple angles — invaluable in any field
- communication: write and speak persuasively and precisely — the #1 skill employers demand
- research and analysis: find, evaluate and synthesise information in an age of misinformation
- cultural awareness: navigate global organisations, diverse teams and international markets
- collaboration, empathy, and people skills: understand human behaviour — essential for leadership, marketing, policy
- creativity and innovation: approach challenges with originality — the skill AI cannot replicate

How it works

First year

Over 30 subjects are organised into six timetable groups. The subjects in each group are scheduled at the same time, so it is not possible to take more than one subject from any group. The table opposite shows the timetable groups.

- Choose 2, 3 or 4 subjects - maximum of one per group
- Critical Skills is available with all subject combinations - this is a 15-credit first year subject only - see page 18 for details

First year – a summary of your options

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 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)	In this option you take two subjects and Critical Skills
Two double subjects (2 x 30 credits)	In this option you take only two subjects in first year

The MU difference

Studying the BA degree at MU isn't just about your degree. It's about everything that surrounds it.

Careers & Employability Service
Dedicated advisers, Careers Connect portal, employer events and one-to-one guidance from first year

MUSE Award
The Maynooth University Student Experience Award recognises and accredits the skills you build outside the classroom

Alumni Mentoring Programme
Connect with working Maynooth University graduates who share your background and can guide your career journey

Micro-Internships
Paid short-term roles within Maynooth University itself — real experience, real CV boost

Erasmus & Study Abroad
Spend a semester or year abroad — languages, culture and global perspeclve make you stand out

Small Class Sizes
World-class research alongside genuine human connection — you're not a number here

SPUR - Summer Programme for Undergraduate Research
A paid active research based experiential learning programme. See p. 115 for more.

First Year
Subject groups - choose 2, 3 or 4 subjects in first year - maximum 1 per group

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

Group 2
- Business (International) ⊙
- Business (Management) ⊙
- Business (Marketing) ⊙
- Criminology
- History ⊙
- Critical Skills
- Music ∧ **(extra 15)**

Group 3
- English ⊙
- International Development ⊙
- Mathematical Studies
- Mathematics (Pure) (Groups 1+3) ☐
- Critical Skills
- Nua-Ghaeilge **+ (extra 15)**

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 ○
- Classical Studies
- French ○
- Geography ⊙ *
- Mathematical Physics
- Media, Film & Cultural Studies
- Medieval Celtic Studies
- Politics
- Psychological Studies
- Statistics #
- Critical Skills
- Business **(extra 15)**
- English **(extra 15)**

Group 7 (subjects in group 7 are only available if taking the 30 credit option in these subjects)
- Anthropology **(extra 15)**
- Chinese Studies **(extra 15)**
- Computer Science **(extra 15)**
- French **(extra 15)**
- German **(extra 15)**
- History **(extra 15)**
- International Development **(extra 15)**
- Law **(extra 15)**
- Spanish **(extra 15)**
- Language and Culture (this subject is available for non-beginners)

Key

⊙	This subject can be taken as a double (30 credits)
○	30 credits required for beginners in this language
(extra 15)	This indicates the timetable group of the extra 15 credits if taking 30 credits of the subject
*	If choosing Geography in Group 6, the only subject you can choose in Group 1 is Geography (this is due to timetabling of subjects in 2nd year)
☐	30 credits must be taken in this subject
∧	Music in group 2 is only available when choosing Music in group 5 (30 credit double Music)
+	Nua-Ghaeilge in group 3 is only available when choosing Nua-Ghaeilge in group 4 (30 credit Nua-Ghaeilge option)
#	If you are taking Statistics in 1st year you must also take Mathematical Studies or Mathematics (Pure)

MH101 - in summary
- Each subject is 15 credits and students take 60 credits in each year of their degree. Subjects available as optional 'double subjects' (30 credits) are marked with ⊙. These subjects need extra class times, normally scheduled in Groups 6 or 7.
- Chinese Studies, French, German and Spanish require a 30 credit first year for beginners in the language. If you have studied one of these languages before (to Leaving Certificate level; H4 standard or better is recommended), you take the 15 credit option.
- 15 credits of optional Critical Skills is available with all subject combinations, but is a 1st year subject only. See p. 18 for more about Critical Skills.
- For the following subjects, we **require** specific minimum Leaving Certificate grades at registration in September:
  - Mathematics (Pure): **H2**
  - Music: **H5**
  - Nua-Ghaeilge: **H4**
    New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish Language Entrance Examination for Nua-Ghaeilge) - see page 46 for details
- If choosing from among the following subjects, we **recommend** students achieve these minimum Leaving Certificate grades:
  - Accounting, Business (International), Business (Management), Business (Marketing), Economics, Finance: we **recommend** that students have achieved Leaving Certificate **O4/H7 Mathematics** to study these subjects.
  - Computer Science, Mathematical Physics, Mathematical Studies, Music Technology, Statistics: we recommend that students have achieved Leaving Certificate **O3/H7 Mathematics** to study these subjects.
  - Chinese Studies, French, German, Spanish: while there is no minimum entry requirement to study these languages at non-beginner level, we generally **recommend minimum H4 Leaving Certificate** level.

Your second year and final year progression options

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

Option 1: continue in MH101

Most students take two subjects in their degree from second year - we call this a 'Double Major'. Of course, you might prefer to specialise in one subject with less of another - this is known as a 'Major with Minor'. There may also be an option to specialise in just one subject, - this is known as a 'Single Major'. The MH101 subject pages that follow set out the range of options for each subject.

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.

Option 2: transfer into a specialised degree

After first year there may be an option to transfer into the second year of a specialised degree, depending on the subjects you chose in first year and your results.

These are the possible transfer options having successfully completed the first year of the MH101 degree:	CAO Code	Page
BA Creative Writing and English	MH111	123
BSc Quantitative Finance	MH402	82
BA Accounting and Finance	MH403	83
Single Major BBS or BBA (Business and Management / International Business / Marketing / Business and Global Cultures)	MH404	84
BBS/BBA Business and Accounting	MH407	88
BBA Business and Languages	MH409	89
BBS/BBA Finance	MH410	90
BSc Economics	MH415	93
BA International Economics	MH416	94
LLB Single Major	MH501	130
BCL Double Major (Law and Arts / Law and Accounting / Law and Business / Law and Criminology)	MH502	131
BA Criminology	MH504	135
BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW**	MH604	100

- Electives: in second year, you will have the opportunity to take an optional Elective. The range of Electives can change each year and availability of Electives depends on your timetable. See p. 18 for details.
- Erasmus or Study Abroad: BA students have the option of studying at one of Maynooth University's 150 international partner universities after second year. Students taking this option graduate with a BA International degree after four years.

Terminology - explained

Semester:
We divide the academic year into two parts called 'semesters'. Semester 1 runs from September to the end of December, and semester 2 runs from February to May.

Module:
A module is an individual subject or unit of study that forms part of your degree programme. Each module focuses on a specific topic and contributes credits towards your qualification.

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 across your subject choices; four in semester 1 and four in semester 2.

Bachelor of Arts Graduate Pathways

Our graduates emerge with hugely valuable skills, ready for the challenges of the modern workplace.

Graduate pathways: where could you go?

Graduate Employment
Civil Service, NGOs (non-governmental organisations), Charities, Business, Media, Tech

Professional Master of Education (PME) → Teaching Career
Secondary School Teacher – High Demand, Stable Career

Postgraduate Research MA / PhD / MRes
Academic Career, Policy Institutes, Think Tanks

Law / Psychology / Social Work Postgrad
Solicitor, Barrister, Psychologist, Social Worker

Business / MBA / Finance Postgrad
Management Consulting, Entrpreneurship, Finance



Seán O'Regan

MH101 Sociology and English

TV Sports Reporter and Anchor for Virgin Media Sport

I chose MU for its incredible reputation, vibrant community, stunning campus, and academic excellence. I studied English and Sociology, with MU equipping me with the analytical thinking, data gathering, and impactful storytelling skills required to excel after graduating. The strong foundations provided by MU allowed me to seamlessly progress into my professional career, and I am currently working as a TV Sports Reporter and Anchor for **Virgin Media Sport**.

Entrance Scholars

1/6 Entrance Scholars (575+ points in the Leaving Certificate) choose the MH101 degree each year

MH101 CAO Points Range 2026

1,750 places

1st student had 625 points

1,750th student had 300 points



Dr Steven Lucas

MH101 Single Major Geography

Central Statistics Office

I stumbled upon a Geography lecture in the first weeks of my arts degree and ended up with a PhD in Geography. After working as a government statistician in two government departments (turning data into insights for policymakers), I moved to the Central Statistics Office, where I lead the team responsible for delivering key statistics on the labour market and earnings in Ireland.

Visit our Course Finder for more details and all the latest updates www.mu.ie/level8 **on webchat**

Contact us:

Maynooth University Admissions and Student Recruitment Office
An Oifig Iontrála agus Earcaíochta Mac Léinn, Ollscoil Mhá Nuad
+ 353 1 708 3822 ugadmissions@mu.ie

Accounting (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O4/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Accounting is the language of business. You can choose to study Accounting in the BA degree or to transfer into one of our specialised accounting programmes having completed first year in the BA degree. Specialised degrees (BA Accounting and Finance, BBS Business and Accounting, BBA Business and Languages, and BCL Law and Accounting) have full CAP 1 exemptions.
- Our expert, engaging and supportive faculty teach accounting from first principles, so no prior knowledge is required.
- Become a highly sought-after graduate possessing the technical accounting and transferable skills required of future business leaders which allows students to pursue rewarding career opportunities in business and education.
- Choosing this degree also enables students to pursue a career in teaching.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our accounting programmes prepare students for a variety of careers in both the private and public sectors, and in many industries.
- Graduates of specialised degrees MH403, MH407, MH409 and MH502 LWA are particularly well placed to pursue a professional accountancy qualification.
- Typical career options include accountant in practice/ industry, finance director, managing director, management consultant, liquidator/receiver, financial analyst, stockbroker, tax consultant, treasury consultant and teacher.
- The School of Business offers a range of postgraduate courses in Accounting and related areas.

Course Structure

1st year

Accounting in MH101 Bachelor of Arts degree.

- Students are introduced to the fundamentals of accounting in year 1
- There is an option to take Accounting as a double subject where students take additional accounting/finance related modules. 22.5 of the credits are in Group 6 (7.5 credits in semester 1, and 15 in semester 2)
- The other 7.5 credits in semester 1 is a choice between a Business Management Module (MN157 - Professional and Learning Skills) in Group 2, or a Universal Critical Skills SK1057 course which is available in every group (as part of our Critical Skills)
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group)

2nd year and Final year

- Take Accounting and one other subject to degree level (as a Double Major)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

Or

- Apply to transfer into one of our specialised degrees in Accounting having achieved 60% or more in 30 credits of 1st year Accounting (MH403/ MH407/MH409/MH502 LWA – subject to conditions being met. See Course Finder for details)

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Accounting
- Financial Accounting
- Fundamentals of Finance and Accounting
- Professional and Learning Skills

2nd year

- Financial Accounting
- Management and Cost Accounting
- Taxation

Final year

- Advanced Management Accounting
- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Ethics and Corporate Governance
- Advanced Financial Reporting

You might also like

Our range of specialised accountancy degrees, offering CAP 1 exemptions - see Section 3 for details.

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Anthropology (group 4 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- From tribal villages to corporate offices, anthropologists create new knowledge about human nature and what it means to be human today.
- Anthropologists study all aspects of human behaviour and society by closely observing and analysing different ways of life around the world.
- You can study forensic anthropology, which applies skeletal analysis and archaeological techniques to solve criminal cases.
- You will engage in practical, experiential learning, including ethnographic fieldwork projects, and there is an option to go on an archaeological dig during your studies.
- Our anthropologists bring the world into the classroom, helping MU students understand local problems in a global context. We actively engage with many pressing concerns, including aging populations, nationalism, citizenship, racial discrimination, security and surveillance, religion, international migration, drug use, health problems such as epidemics or mental health, consumer culture and sustainability, as well as rapid technological change.
- Whatever you are most passionate about, from understanding human cultures to identity politics, environmentalism, or global business, anthropology can give you the tools to enrich your interests in a deep and sophisticated way. Anthropology is well-suited to students curious about many inter-connected topics, and it fosters creativity and imagination by helping us to think beyond our own pre-conceived world views.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our graduates have progressed into a wide range of sectors:
  - healthcare
  - user experience and design
  - international aid and development
  - advertising and human insights research
  - culture and arts
  - heritage and conservation
  - security
  - community research and education
  - advocacy and activism
  - journalism
  - management and business
  - human resources
  - public administration
- The Department of Anthropology offers a range of postgraduate study options at Diploma, Masters, and Doctoral levels.

Course Structure

1st year

- Either 15 or 30 credits of Anthropology (30 credits recommended for Single Major 2nd year pathway)
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Compulsory and optional Anthropology modules
- Continue with Anthropology as part of a Double Major, as a Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Optional archaeological dig summer school module
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Or
2nd year and Final year
Single Major

- At least 50 credits Anthropology
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Optional archaeological dig summer school module

Or
2nd year and Final year

- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures degree - for students who have completed the first year of the Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) taking either 15 or 30 credits of Anthropology and 15 or 30 credits of a Business subject

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year
You will gain an understanding of the foundations of Anthropology:

- Introducing Anthropology
- Being Human: Understanding our Cultural Worlds
- Anthropology Matters
- Magic, Witchcraft and Ritual

2nd year
You will study different aspects of Anthropology such as:

- Anthropology of Religion
- Medical & Psychological Anthropology
- Ethnographic Research and Writing
- Heritage and Museums
- Anti-Racism

Final year
You will continue to develop your knowledge with options such as:

- Globalisation, Science, Technology & Society
- Sustainability & Ethnographies of Water
- Race, Gender, & Sexuality
- Forensic Anthropology
- Ethnographic Filmmaking & Photography
- User Experience and Service Innovation

You might also like

- International Development p. 51
- MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures p. 87

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Business (International) (group 2 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O4/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- To effectively compete in an international business landscape, organisations must
  - ➜ offer goods and services across nations, regions, and continents outside of their home market
  - ➜ manage increasingly diverse workforces as nations, cultures, and markets converge.
- As a Business (International) graduate, you will be provided with the strategies, insights and skills to respond to these challenges. This enables organisations to manage diverse people and operations and to compete for customers across the world.
- Our International Business students are offered a wide variety of choice:
  - ➜ modules that will develop both core business management knowledge
  - ➜ modules that provide a more specialist understanding of the international aspects of business
- Transfer after first year from MH101 into a specialised degree is possible – see course structure below.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Ireland is home to the EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Asia) headquarters of many large multinational corporations, providing excellent employment opportunities in a wide variety of business areas for students of International Business:
  - ➜ in the Irish operation of a major multinational
  - ➜ working with Irish companies that supply to international customers
  - ➜ consulting and helping organisations to internationalise and grow
  - ➜ managing a diverse workforce
  - ➜ working at policy level for national organisations to promote Ireland as a destination for inward investment and for internationalising Irish business
- The School of Business also offers a range of postgraduate programmes for International Business graduates.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 or 30 credits of Business (International)
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- 30 credits of Business (International) and continue with one of your other 1st year subjects as a Double Major, Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA International Business degree for students who have successfully completed 1st year MH101, passing all modules in the 30 credit Business (International) subject. Alternatively you must pass all modules in the 15 credit Business (International) subject and pass Accounting and pass Economics/Finance in 1st year
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures degree - for students who have successfully completed the first year of the Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) taking either 15 or 30 credits of Anthropology and at least 15 credits of a Business subject
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH407 BBS/BBA Business and Accounting degree for students who pass at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieve a mark of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in 1st year.
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH502 BCL Law and Business degree - for students who pass 30 credits of a Business subject and pass 30 credits of Law
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have successfully completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of Business (International) and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner language (in the relevant language)
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Global Business and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management

2nd year

- International Business
- International Management
- Introduction to Management Information Systems

Final year

- Managing Multinational Corporations
- Strategic Management
- Strategy Simulation
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management

You might also like

- MH404 BBS/BBA International Business p. 85
- MH404 BBS/BBA International Business and Global Cultures p. 87

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Business (Management) (group 2 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O4/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Studying Business (Management) provides insights into all the major functions of business, and the opportunity to undertake specialist options in the subjects you enjoy. This means you can shape your degree based on your own strengths and interests.
- Management is about taking ideas and converting them into action: designing, making, and delivering products and services that customers and citizens want or need. Essentially, it is about organising to get things done.
- Managers are generalists and organisers – they need to:
  - ➜ know the fundamentals of all major aspects of business
  - ➜ think about the business as a whole and its strategic direction
  - ➜ organise the workforce
  - ➜ manage the effective use of information technology
  - ➜ manage supply chains locally and globally
  - ➜ effectively manage costs and revenues
- You will learn from a blend of international and local experts who bring profound insights into the practicality and complexity of Management.
- Transfer after first year from MH101 into a specialised degree is possible – see course structure below.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Career opportunities for business graduates include:
  - ➜ general management graduate trainees in service or manufacturing organisations
  - ➜ functional specialists in areas such as marketing, sales, operations, management information systems, or human resource management or undertake specialist masters in one of these disciplines
  - ➜ consulting
  - ➜ public service
  - ➜ not-for-profit organisations
- 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.
- The School of Business also offers a range of postgraduate programmes for Business graduates.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 or 30 credits of Business (Management)
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- 30 credits of Business (Management) and continue with one of your other 1st year subjects as a Double Major, Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Management degree for students who have successfully completed 1st year MH101 including all modules in the 30 credit Business (Management) subject. Alternatively you must pass 1st year MH101 including all modules in the 15 credit Business (Management) subject and pass Accounting and pass Economics/Finance in 1st year
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures degree - for students who have completed the first year of the Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) taking either 15 or 30 credits of Anthropology and at least 15 credits of a Business subject
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH407 BBS/BBA Business and Accounting degree for students who pass at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieve a mark of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in 1st year.
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH502 BCL Law and Business degree - for students who pass 30 credits of a Business subject and pass 30 credits of Law
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of Business (Management) and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner language (in the relevant language)
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details))

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- Business Models and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management

2nd year

- Human Resource Management
- Entrepreneurship Theory, Processes and Practices
- Introduction to Management Information Systems

Final year

- Strategic Management
- Strategy Simulation
- Strategic Human Resource Management
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management

You might also like

- MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Management p. 84
- MH412 BSc/BBA Business with Sport Science p. 92

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Business (Marketing) (group 2 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O4/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Marketing is fast-paced and dynamic - a wide and varied discipline, connecting a company to its customers. You will learn how it interlinks with every other area of business, creating and capturing value for the company and its customers.
- Marketers must understand customers' needs - how they behave and why they buy - so that businesses can build long term relationships with them.
- Using both traditional and digital tools, marketers deliver value through creating innovative products and services to meet marketplace needs.
- Creating and managing customers are central themes to what we teach and research. You will benefit from our rich and diverse expertise, from both local and international markets, in:
  - ➜ digital marketing
  - ➜ online retailing
  - ➜ branding
  - ➜ communications
  - ➜ consumer behaviour
- You will gain deep insights into the practicalities and applications of marketing, from what makes customers tick to how to make the best of market opportunities.
- You will also grow to study wider management and business processes so you can deliver value to customers and your organisation. Options are available which allow you to specialise your degree according to your strengths and interests in the topic areas you enjoy most.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Business graduates are consistently among the most employable in the Irish education system.
- Marketing graduates often enter employment in either a private, public or not-for-profit organisation, in areas such as:
  - ➜ advertising
  - ➜ brand management
  - ➜ digital marketing
  - ➜ international marketing
  - ➜ customer account management
  - ➜ public relations
  - ➜ sales
  - ➜ social media marketing
- The School of Business also offers a range of postgraduate programmes for Marketing graduates.

Course Structure

1st year

- Either 15 or 30 credits of Business (Marketing). Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- 30 credits of Business (Marketing) and continue with one of your 1st year subjects as a Double Major, Major/ Minor or as a Minor
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Marketing degree for students who have successfully completed 1st year MH101 including all modules in the 30 credit Business (Marketing) subject. Alternatively you must pass all modules in the 15 credit Business (Marketing) subject and pass Accounting and pass Economics/ Finance in 1st year
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH404 BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures degree - for students who have completed the first year of the Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) taking either 15 or 30 credits of Anthropology and at least 15 credits of a Business subject
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of Business (Marketing) and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner language (in the relevant language)
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH502 BCL Law and Business degree - for students who pass 30 credits of a Business subject and pass 30 credits of Law
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH407 BBS/BBA Business and Accounting degree for students who pass at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieve a mark of at least 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject in 1st year
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Consumer Research and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management

2nd year

- Brand Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Marketing Management
- Digital Marketing

Final year

- Contemporary Issues in Marketing
- Strategic Management
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management
- International Marketing

You might also like

- MH404 BBS/BBA Marketing p. 86
- MH404 BBS/BBA Entrepreneurship p. 91

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Chinese Studies (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Beginner (advised to attend all lectures from the first week of term)

Non-beginner (recommended minimum Leaving Certificate H4 Mandarin Chinese)

Subject Overview

- Whether you are a beginner or already familiar with Mandarin Chinese, this subject is open to you.
- Connect with over 1.3 billion speakers of Mandarin Chinese worldwide. As Ireland continues to expand its trade in goods and services with China, there is a growing demand for graduates with strong Chinese language skills and an understanding of Chinese society and culture.
- You will study a wide range of subjects including Chinese language, culture, society and history.
- After second year you will have the exciting opportunity to study in one of MU's partner universities in China. The University's Beijing office will be there to support you. This will improve your language ability, your understanding of the culture and help you to acquire the skills and confidence that you need in today's job market.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- With Mandarin Chinese now a curricular subject for the Leaving Certificate examination, post-primary teaching may be a career you choose to pursue.
- As a Maynooth University graduate of Chinese Studies you are in a prime position to take advantage of the existing links between Ireland and China. Your language skills and knowledge of Chinese culture will open doors for you in
  - international trade and commerce
  - education
  - international relations and diplomacy
  - politics
  - the media
- Progress into postgraduate study with the MA, MLitt or PhD programmes in Chinese Studies currently offered at Maynooth University.

Course Structure

1st year

- Either 15 credits of Chinese Studies (if you studied Mandarin Chinese in school to the recommended H4 Leaving Certificate or you have an equivalent level) or 30 credits of Chinese Studies (if you are a beginner)
- Non-beginners are strongly recommended to take Language and Culture as a subject in 1st year and to select the modules on Chinese Language and Culture. This is especially important if you intend to take the language on to degree level
- Choose your other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Chinese Studies is taken with another subject in 2nd and 3rd year as part of a Double Major or as a Minor
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginners Chinese Studies
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Chinese Language
- Introduction to Chinese Culture

2nd year

- Chinese Language
- Television, Film and New Media
- Gender, Class and Society in China
- Chinese Social Theories
- Comparing China and the West

3rd year

- In year three, students have the option to study in one of Maynooth University's partner universities in China

Final year

- Chinese Language
- Readings in Contemporary Chinese Culture and Current Affairs (Translation of current affairs publications Chinese – English, English – Chinese)
- Project-based Learning

You might also like

- MH409 BBA Business and Languages p. 89
- MH416 BA International Economics p. 94



Each year, a number of our students spend their international year at our partner universities:

- **Shanghai University**
- **East China Normal University**
- **Beijing Normal University**
- **Fuzhou University**

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Classical Studies (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements:
See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:
Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Classical Studies involves the study of the history, mythology, literature, philosophy, and art of the ancient world - any and all parts of antiquity are of interest to us, as is the modern world's ongoing engagement with Classical legacies.
- The original interdisciplinary subject, Classical Studies spans an immense range of human experience, from the mythic age of the Greek heroes to the "fall" of Rome. The subject offers an all-round education in itself and also complements study on many other courses.
- We consider the complexities and diversity of ancient cultures from many perspectives. Key themes explored include mythology and the gods; war and heroism; civilization and the `barbarian'; ideologies of power and empire; gender and sexuality; ideas of justice, law, happiness, and the divine.
- Ancient Classics is a friendly and student-focussed unit - our expert team provides individual support to undergraduates across their degree. No previous knowledge of the ancient world is required or expected, all material is studied in English translation, and yet this degree will still provide a thorough grounding in the subject.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- In a fast-changing world, employers want flexible, creative, and open-minded graduates, who can handle a variety of material and perspectives, conduct independent research, and communicate effectively. All these qualities and transferable skills are developed across the Classical Studies syllabus.
- Careers: 'Classics' alumni can be found right across the public and private sectors, pursuing careers in education, the civil service, law, business, consultancy, journalism and the media, librarianship, publishing, and cultural and heritage organisations.
- Further study: Graduates can also continue on to postgraduate study, with H.Dip., MA, and PhD programmes in Classical Studies also offered in Maynooth University.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Classical Studies
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

Classical Studies as a Double Major, a Major/Minor, or as a Minor from 2nd year

- Continue with 1 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional modules in both Ancient Greek and Latin are also available
- Optional Study Tour module available
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

First year offers students an introduction to the ancient world across two semesters:

- "Gods and Heroes" introduces the world of ancient Greece – its mythology, literature, and history. It starts with the epic world of Homer's Odyssey before turning to the cultural history of Athens. The story of that city's rivalry with Sparta, and their wars against the Persian Empire, is one for the ages.
- "Making Rome" considers the making and unmaking of the Roman Republic. Its fortunes were shaped by such figures as Pompey, Cleopatra, Cicero, and Caesar. This module explores their lives and those led by ordinary Romans: men and women, children and adults, senators, and slaves.

2nd year and Final year

A sample of modules available beyond first year:

- Tragic Tales from Classical Greece
- Gender & Sexuality in the Ancient World
- Love, War and Power in Roman Epic
- Alexander the Great: Fire from Heaven
- A World Full of Gods
- Classical World in Modern Media
- Human Nature and the Environment
- Study Tour

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- History p. 50
- English p. 43
- Medieval Celtic Studies p. 57
- Philosophy p. 60

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Computer Science (group 5 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Computer Science involves the study of the principles and use of computers and software, and, depending on your pathway at MU, you may also choose advanced topics such as:
  - computer vision
  - theoretical computer science
  - robotics
  - cryptography
  - artificial intelligence
- Students enjoy the huge benefit of studying other Arts subjects with Computer Science in first year. This lends graduates a wider frame of reference and offers a wide variety of options after first year.
- All our courses include a mix of lectures and lab work, and you will be based in Eolas, our ICT hub. Here you will enjoy our excellent laboratories, equipment and facilities for practical work.
- Expect a supportive learning environment with lots of assistance available during practical work, along with our dedicated Computer Science Centre which aims to support all students to flourish. We organise and run extracurricular opportunities throughout the year.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Some of the areas that you could expect to work in after graduation include:
  - graphical interface design
  - medical imaging
  - video-based information systems
  - multimedia/web development
  - electronic publishing
  - computer assisted translation
  - e-learning systems development
  - games development
  - software development
- Graduates also progress into careers in non-computing industries such as:
  - financial services
  - business and administration
  - health services
  - automobile and aeronautics sectors
- The Department of Computer Science offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take either 15 credits or 30 credits of Computer Science
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see p. 29 for compatible subjects)

2nd year and Final year

- Computer Science
- Continue with 1 of your other 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Transfer option into new specialised degree MH604 BSc Computer Science, having taken **either** 30 credits of Computer Science plus 15 credits of Mathematical Studies
  Or
  15 credits of Computer Science plus an additional 7.5 credits including the module CS192 in the second semester of first year (22.5 credits in total) plus the 15 credits of Mathematics
- Transfer option into MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance if you complete 1st year MH101, achieving an average of at least 60% in each of the following subjects: 15 credit Economics/Finance subject, 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject and 15 credit Computer Science subject and pass your other subject.

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to programming, computer systems and computer science theory

2nd year

- Algorithms & Data Structures
- Databases
- Operating Systems
- Multimedia Technology

Final year

- Networks
- Theory of Computation
- Software Engineering
- Complexity
- Choice of CS topics

You might also like:

New degrees - see Section 4:

- MH604 BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media)
- MH605 BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence

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Criminology (group 2 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Criminology is the study of crime, criminal behaviour and the criminal justice system. It is sometimes referred to as the study of the making of laws, the breaking of laws and of society's reaction to the breaking of laws, signalling the three main branches that make up the subject.
- Enjoy our unique interdisciplinary programme with perspectives from sociology, psychology and anthropology as well as law.
- You will study in the Republic's only university offering Criminology as part of an Arts programme. In the MH101 degree you can choose Criminology in combination with many other Arts subjects including Law, Psychological Studies and many more.
- You can choose to transfer into second year of the BA Criminology degree (MH504) having successfully passed first year. Find details in the Course Structure section.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Broaden your career prospects into the criminal justice world, with potential careers in:
  - the Gardaí
  - security services
  - data analytics
  - probation
  - the prison service
  - the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector
  - research institutes
- The skills you will gain from studying criminology are also highly transferable to other areas, including:
  - law
  - journalism
  - social research
  - social work
  - counselling
  - community work
  - policy analysis
  - public administration
- The School of Law and Criminology also offers a range of postgraduate study options in related fields.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Criminology
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with Criminology as a Double Major, Major/Minor, or as a Minor
- Continue with 1 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Transfer opportunity into the MH502 BCL (Law and Criminology) degree for MH101 students who successfully pass 1st year, taking the recommended 30 credits of Law and 15 credits of Criminology.
- Transfer opportunity into the MH504 BA Criminology degree for MH101 students who successfully pass 1st year, taking Criminology as one of their subjects.

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Exploring Criminology: What is crime? What is theory and why is it important? Spotlights on key crime categories such as homicide and terrorism
- Key skills to study criminology at university level
- Introduction to different models of criminal justice and the key personnel (police, judiciary, prison officers) involved in the criminal justice system

2nd year

- Core modules such as Policing, Research Methods, Criminological Theory, and Crime and the Media
- A range of optional modules including perspectives from anthropology (Ethnographies of Crime and Policing), sociology (Society and State) and Criminology (Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System; Gender, Crime and Criminal Justice; Ethnicity, Crime and Punishment)

Final year

- One core module on Punishment, Penal Policies and Prisons
- A range of optional modules such as: Criminal Psychology, Victimology, the Psychology of Terrorism, the Politics of Mass Incarceration, Forensic Anthropology

You might also like

- MH502 BCL (Law and Criminology) p. 133
- MH504 BA Criminology p. 136

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Economics (group 4 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Leaving Certificate: Leaving Certificate Economics IS NOT REQUIRED but we do recommend O4/ H7 in Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Economics is a social science that helps us to understand how consumers, firms, workers and investors behave and interact with each other – and the roles governments, central banks and regulators play in shaping outcomes.
- Are you motivated to make the world a better place? Economics is fundamentally about how to design good policies. It provides the tools for understanding the causes of societal problems so that evidence-based policy recommendations can be made on issues such as
  - unemployment and inflation
  - gender inequality
  - racial discrimination
  - climate change
  - the housing crisis
  - poverty
- Economics is not all about money and stock markets. Studying Economics at MU provides our students with outstanding skills:
  - analytical and problem-solving abilities
  - numerical and computing ability
  - enhanced communication and presentation skills
- You will learn to use:
  - data analysis - to understand behaviour that impacts on the economy and society
  - game theory - to analyse strategic interactions between firms, or other market participants
- Our academics have an international reputation for excellence in research and have strong links with business and the wider economics community including the Central Bank, the ESRI and several financial services companies.
- You can choose to transfer into second year of a range of degrees having successfully passed first year. Find details in the Course Structure section.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- The skills you will develop as an Economics student are highly valued by employers in all sectors from government to financial services.
- Our students have progressed into a wide variety of private and public sector jobs such as:
  - banking
  - financial services
  - management consultancy
  - economic consultancy
  - journalism
  - teaching
  - politics
- The Department of Economics also offers a range of postgraduate study options in related fields.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Economics
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and beyond

At the beginning of the second year, you can decide to continue as a BA Arts (MH101) student, taking Economics as a single major, as a double major, as a major/minor or as a minor with one of your other 1st year subjects.

Alternatively, you can transfer into one of the specialised degrees listed below if you pass first year and meet the specific requirements to transfer as outlined:

- You may transfer into MH415 BSc Economics degree if you attain 60% in Economics or Finance, and 60% in Mathematical Studies
- You may transfer into MH416 BA International Economics degree if you attain 50% in Economics or Finance, and pass 15 credits in Mathematics and another subject from Chinese Studies, French, German, Spanish or Computer Science
- You may transfer into MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance degree if you attain 60% in each of the following subjects: 15 credits in Economics or Finance, 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject and 15 credit Computer Science subject and pass your other subject.
- You may transfer into MH403 BA Accounting and Finance degree if you pass Economics or Finance, and achieve an average of 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject
- You may transfer into MH410 BBS/BBA Finance degree if you successfully complete 1st year achieving at least 50% in Economics or Finance, and 15 credits of Business (any of the three in Group 2)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after second year.

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Sample Modules

Core Subjects

- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics
- Game Theory
- Quantitative Methods/ Econometrics

Optional Subjects

- Environmental Economics
- Behavioural Economics
- Health Economics
- Economics of Sport
- History of Economic Thought
- Competition and Regulation
- Economics of Labour Markets
- Money and Banking
- International Macroeconomics
- Economics of the EU
- Public Economics
- International Trade
- Information Economics

You might also like

- MH415 BSc Economics p. 93
- MH416 BA International Economics p. 94

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English (group 3 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Beginning with words on a page, English literature is a world-facing subject: it takes you across historical periods, cultures, locations and genres, from poetry and drama to the novel, film, and creative writing.
- Studying English at Maynooth University provides an exciting and rewarding experience. Throughout your degree, you will be encouraged to engage in critical debate about the meaning and value of literature through lectures, tutorials, and seminars.
- As a student of English, you will learn about:
  - Different literary forms from poetry and drama to the novel and film, as well as creative writing.
  - The conditions that shape literature from history and geography to questions of gender, race, and class.
  - How literary texts enable us to understand our own complex world.
  - Different approaches to and theories of literature.
  - How different schools of critical thought or areas have shaped and reshaped the subject of English literary studies.
- You can choose to transfer into second year of the BA Creative Writing and English degree (MH111) having successfully passed first year. Find details in the Course Structure section.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Engaging in critical debate about the meaning and value of literature will help you to foster your critical and creative abilities. You will develop awareness of the multi-dimensional nature of human situations, learn to approach problems with an open and enquiring mind and gain analytical, finely-honed writing and critical thinking skills - all of which appeal greatly to employers.
- Previous English graduates have progressed into a wide range of occupations:
  - journalism
  - the civil service
  - teaching
  - the diplomatic service
  - librarianship
  - marketing and advertising
  - business and management
  - the arts
  - creative writing
- Maynooth University Department of English boasts notable expertise in a wide range of literature from the early modern to the present day, and from Irish literature to American, African, Arab and global literatures. There is also the option of further study, and we offer a range of postgraduate courses.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take either 15 or 30 credits of English
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- English
- Continue with 1 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

All students have the opportunity to take English as a Single Major, Double Major, Major/Minor or Minor in 2nd year

Students with an average mark of over 50% in 1st year English can take English as a Single Major from 2nd year

Or

Transfer into second year of the MH111 BA Creative Writing and English degree:

- Students taking either 15 or 30 credits English in 1st year MH101 must successfully complete all English modules to an average mark of 50 and above and pass all additional modules
- Students must submit a 1,000-word creative writing sample to be considered
- Transfers are subject to the above conditions as well as the availability of places and as a result transfers cannot be guaranteed.

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

You will engage with a variety of texts, including political speeches, climate fiction, and plays and poetry from the US, Ireland, Britain, and the Caribbean. Your experience of literature will be enhanced through close reading, active discussion and writing exercises designed to develop your critical thinking and expression.

2nd year

You will be introduced to a broad thematic study of English literature via a wide range of historical periods and geographical locations – from the Early Modern to the present, from Ireland and Britain to Africa and America. You will begin to make your own choices about which areas of English you study. Your critical and creative skills will be developed through debate and discussion as well as through the drafting and editing of your written work, guided by experts in these fields.

Final year

You will explore literature in English at an advanced level and investigate some new areas of the discipline. You will have the opportunity to choose which areas you would like to explore to deepen your knowledge of more specialised areas of English. With advice and supervision from lecturers, you will plan and write essays based on some of your own interests in literature and on your own independent research and writing.

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Finance (group 4 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Finance is the study of investment risk and reward.
- As a student, you will learn to examine the role of government and international organisations in the management and regulation of financial markets.
- You do not need to have any previous knowledge of Finance, only an interest in how the financial sector and the economy works and a desire to know more.
- The School of Business is made up of an accomplished group of academics with an international reputation for excellence in research and teaching.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- As a Finance graduate, you will have developed strong numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically – invaluable assets in a wide range of professions.
- You will also be proficient in market-leading financial applications such as Bloomberg.
- Graduates can be found in:
  - the banking and financial services industry
  - economic consultancy
  - finance units of public and private sector organisations
  - financial research
  - journalism
  - teaching in Dublin, London, New York, and around the globe
- Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in Finance at Maynooth University. The School of Business offers a range of postgraduate programmes.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Finance
- Choose up to 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the 5 groups available (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- After 1st year you can take Finance in a Double Major or as a Minor with one of your other 1st year subjects.
- You may transfer into MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance degree - if you successfully complete 1st year and attain 60% in Economics or Finance, Mathematics and Computer Science.
- You may transfer into MH403 BA Accounting and Finance if you pass Economics or Finance, and achieve an average of 60% in the 30 credit Accounting subject
- You may transfer into MH410 BBS/BBA Finance degree if you successfully complete 1st year achieving at least 50% in Economics or Finance, and pass 15 credits of Business (any of the three in Group 2).
- You may transfer into MH415 BSc Economics degree if you attain 60% in Economics or Finance, and 60% in Mathematical Studies
- You may transfer into MH416 BA International Economics degree if you attain 50% in Economics or Finance, and pass 15 credits in Mathematics and another subject from Chinese Studies, French, German, Spanish or Computer Science
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics

2nd year

- Corporate Finance
- Financial Management
- Financial Modelling

Final year

- Sustainable Finance
- Financial Data Analysis
- Investments
- Derivatives
- Fixed Income Markets

You might also like

- MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82
- MH403 BA Accounting and Finance p. 83
- MH410 BBS/BBA Finance p. 90

Gain hands-on experience using industry-standard financial applications such as Bloomberg

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French (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Beginner (advised to attend all lectures from the first week of term)

Non-beginner (recommended minimum Leaving Certificate H4 French)

Subject Overview

- Take French at beginner or non-beginner level and enjoy studying in our friendly and supportive learning environment.
- French has been studied at Maynooth since the foundation of the college in 1795. Today's students benefit from a strong tradition of teaching the French language, literature and culture, with much teaching taking place through the medium of French (for those taking the non-beginner stream).
- Attain a high level of competency in this modern European and world language, spoken by 300 million people on several continents and in French territories overseas.
- Over the course of your degree programme, you will receive an excellent grounding in all aspects of French language through core modules in:
  - French Grammar
  - Oral Expression
  - Writing in French
  - Listening Skills
- In second year and final year, you may choose from a range of optional modules in French and Francophone culture, such as Politics and Ideas, Literature and Society, Women's Writing, Linguistics, Translation and Cinema (depending on availability).
- You may spend a year at one of our French-speaking partner universities or working as a language teacher in France (subject to availability). Students who successfully complete a year abroad as part of their programme are conferred with a 4-year BA International.
- If you are interested in teaching French, the Teaching Council of Ireland requires all registered teachers of French to have spent some time living in a French-speaking country. The MU School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures advises at least a three-month residency.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Language skills are increasingly essential in the modern world and a language degree can greatly enhance graduates' employability. Our graduates have progressed into a wide range of careers including:
  - the diplomatic service
  - law
  - development work with NGOs (non-governmental organisations)
  - education
  - publishing
  - working with EU institutions
  - translation and interpreting
  - banking and business
  - international trade
  - communications
  - tourism
- Multinational companies, many of whom have bases in Ireland, often stress the importance of finding graduates who are not only fluent in languages but who have the intercultural competence to deal with colleagues and customers in an increasingly globalised world.
- Some graduates proceed into postgraduate study and the MU School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures offers a range of options.

Course Structure

1st year

You will engage with a wide range of texts, learning to recognise and analyse key features.

- Either 15 credits of French (if you studied French in school to the recommended H4 Leaving Certificate or equivalent level) or 30 credits of French (if you are a beginner)
- Non-beginners are strongly recommended to take Language and Culture as a subject in 1st year and to select the modules on French Language and Culture. This is especially important if you are hoping to take French on to degree level
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table on p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- French is taken with another subject in 2nd and 3rd year as part of a Double Major or as a Minor
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner French
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH503 BCL (Law and Languages) degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) passing 30 credits of Law and achieving at least 40% in the 15 credit non-beginner French subject

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

- All students of French Studies have the opportunity to spend the third year of their degree programme in a French-speaking country. This might involve:
  - studying at a university in France (Erasmus programme)
  - assisting with English classes at a French school (ELA programme - subject to availability)
  - Erasmus internship/placement (subject to availability)
- Students who avail of the Year Abroad can have this year recognised as part of their studies and thus convert their degree programme into a 4-year BA International.

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Written and spoken skills in French
- Topics in French and Francophone culture and society

2nd year

- Written and spoken skills
- Modules on politics, culture, cinema, literature, linguistics and Francophone cultures

Final year

- Recommended year abroad – Erasmus or language assistant
- In final year (4th year if Erasmus or language assistantship option taken) you will choose from modules on literature, politics and culture in France and Francophone countries, linguistics, translation and other options

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Gaeilge | Nua-Ghaeilge

(15 ECTS: ábhar ó ghrúpa 4; 30 ECTS: ábhar ó ghrúpa 4 & 3)

Cód CAO: **MH101** | Pointí CAO 2026: **300**

Riachtanais iontrála.
Liosta iomlán ar lch 28

Deis Aistrithe sa Dara Bliain:
Ceadaithe

Erasmus/ Staidéar thar lear:
Ach é a bheith ar fáil

Íosmharc san Ardteistiméireacht (riachtanach):
H4 sa Ghaeilge. Scrúdú nua Iontrála Gaeilge le haghaidh MH101/MH102:
Tá an-áthas orainn a fhógairt go mbeidh Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge ar fáil dóibh siúd a bhfuil spéis acu staidéar a dhéanamh ar an Nua-Ghaeilge mar chuid de MH101/ MH102 muna n-éiríonn leo H4 a fháil i scrúdú Gaeilge na hArdteistiméireachta.

Leis an scrúdú nua seo, beidh deis eile iontrála acu siúd a dteastaíonn uathu staidéar a dhéanamh ar an Nua-Ghaeilge. Chun go mbeidh mic léinn in ann an scrúdú seo a dhéanamh, beidh orthu tairiscint CAO le haghaidh MH101/MH102 a fháil agus glacadh léi. Agus iad cláraithe, tabharfar deis dóibh siúd a dteastaíonn uathu an Nua-Ghaeilge a dhéanamh, ach nach bhfuil an H4 acu i nGaeilge na hArdteistiméireachta, an Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge a dhéanamh.
Beidh idir ghné scríofa agus ghné labhartha i gceist leis agus é de chuspóir aige a dheimhniú go bhfuil an caighdeán cuí Gaeilge ag mic léinn chun tabhairt fúithi ar an tríú leibhéal. Beidh cead ag mic léinn a bhaineann an caighdeán cuí amach an Nua-Ghaeilge a roghnú mar chuid de MH101/MH102.

Forléargas ar an ábhar

- Déanann mic léinn na Nua-Ghaeilge staidéar ar an teanga (labhartha agus scríofa) agus ar ghnéithe den litríocht agus den chultúr.
- Foghlaimíonn ár mic léinn faoin ilghnéitheacht agus faoin oidhreacht shaibhir atá ag an nGaeilge, chomh maith le scileanna a bheidh úsáideach dóibh le linn a saoil, is cuma cén ghairm a roghnóidh siad. Baineann siad an méid sin amach i Roinn atá cairdiúil agus oscailte agus atá tiomanta don Ghaeilge agus don fhoghlaim.
- Tá ról lárnach ag an nGaeilge scríofa agus labhartha inár gcúrsa agus tugtar gach spreagadh do mhic léinn a scileanna labhartha agus scríofa a fheabhsú. Chuige sin, caitheann mic léinn tréimhse chónaithe sa Ghaeltacht de ghnáth.
- Tugtar modúil ar an litríocht chomhaimseartha ionas gur féidir le mic léinn eolas grinn a chur ar fhilíocht, ar phrós agus ar dhrámaíocht na Gaeilge. Cuirtear modúil ar fáil fosta ar an litríocht a bhaineann le tréimhsí níos luaithe, ina measc sin, filíocht na mBard, an Fhiannaíocht, filíocht an 18ú haois agus an 19ú haois. Tá modúil roghnacha ar fáil ar Ghaeilge na hAlban, ar thraidisiún na hamhránaíochta, agus ar an ainmeolaíocht. Mar aon le ceardlanna praiticiúla agus ranganna teagaisc ar an nGaeilge scríofa agus labhartha, cuirimid modúl ar shochtheangeolaíocht na Gaeilge agus ar chanúineolaíocht na nuatheanga ar fáil.
- Trí mheán na Gaeilge a bhíonn na léachtaí, na ranganna teagaisc, na ranganna oidis, agus na ceardlanna ar fad, agus déantar gach cumarsáid leis an Roinn trí mheán na Gaeilge. Cé go gcuireann cúrsa na chéad bhliana béim shuntasach ar an teanga scríofa (i.e gramadach), ní theastaíonn réamheolas ar an ngramadach uait.
- Tá ionad tacaíochta Gaeilge, An Droichead, ar fáil a chuireann cabhair ar fáil do mhic léinn, mic léinn na chéad bhliana go háirithe, atá ag streachailt leis an teanga. Piartheagasc atá i gceist, agus mic léinn na dara agus na tríú bliana i mbun grúpaí beaga a stiúradh. Ní bhíonn níos mó ná cúigear mac léinn i ngach grúpa agus bíonn deis ag mic léinn ceisteanna a chur, cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar struchtúir, srl.
- Tá traidisiún Gaeilge i Má Nuad a théann i bhfad siar. Bunaíodh an Ollúnacht le Gaeilge in 1795, díreach tar éis do Choláiste Phádraig teacht ar an bhfód. Dá bhrí sin, tá an Ghaeilge á múineadh ar an gcampas le breis is dhá chéad bliain.
- Is iomaí gné de léann na Gaeilge a ndéantar taighde uirthi sa Roinn, idir theanga agus litríocht, idir shean agus nua, chomh maith le réimsí léinn atá gaolmhar don teanga. Orthu sin tá, mar shampla, an Teangeolaíocht, an Béaloideas, An Chritic Liteartha, Gaeilge na hAlban, an Nua-Ghaeilge Mhoch agus Traidisiún na hAmhránaíochta.
- Pléitear leis an nGaeilge mar theanga bheo agus mar chuid luachmhar d'oidhreacht chultúrtha na hÉireann agus na hEorpa.

Tar éis na céime

- Tá scileanna teanga, scileanna taighde, anailíse agus cur i láthair fite fuaite sa chéim agus bíonn ardmheas orthu i ngairmeacha éagsúla.
- Éiríonn lenár gcéimithe poist a bhaint amach i réimsí lena n-áirítear na meáin, aistriúchán, ateangaireacht, múinteoireacht ag an mbunléibheal agus ag an dara leibhéal, an státseirbhís, i réimsí na ríomheolaíochta agus sa Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha.
- Tá na cláir iarchéime seo a leanas á dtairiscint ag an Roinn faoi láthair: M.Litt sa Nua-Ghaeilge (mórthráchtas), MA sa Nua-Ghaeilge (miontráchtas, obair chúrsa agus scrúduithe), agus PhD sa Nua-Ghaeilge. D'éirigh le mic léinn dár gcuid maoiniú a bhaint amach thar na blianta le staidéar a dhéanamh ag na leibhéil seo a leanas: MA, M.Litt., MSc agus PhD.



Elisaveta Everard
Tástálaí Teanga TEG

TEG Language Tester

Céim Ealaíon sa Fhraincis agus sa Nua-Ghaeilge a rinne mise. Thug an bhunchéim sa Nua-Ghaeilge deis dom feabhas a chur ar mo chuid scileanna teanga agus foghlaim faoi litríocht agus cultúr na Gaeilge freisin. Bhí na léachtóirí agus na teagascóirí ar fad a bhí agam spreagúil agus cabhrach i gcónaí.

I completed an Arts Degree in French and Modern Irish. Studying Modern Irish during my undergraduate degree allowed me to improve my language skills while also learning about Irish literature and culture. The lecturers and tutors I encountered were always encouraging and helpful.

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Gaeilge | Nua-Ghaeilge

(Modern Irish) (15 ECTS group 4 subject; 30 ECTS group 4 and 3 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Required Leaving Certificate:
H4 in Irish (or equivalent) required to study Nua-Ghaeilge. New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish Language Entrance Examination for Nua-Ghaeilge):
Maynooth University is delighted to introduce a new Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination) for students who wish to study Nua-Ghaeilge as part of the Arts MH101/MH102 programmes but who do not hold the standard H4 requirement.
The new examination provides an additional pathway for students who have a strong interest in Irish. Students must first receive and accept a CAO offer for a place on MH101/MH102. Following registration, students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge and who do not have the required H4 in Irish will have the opportunity to sit the Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge.

About this course

- Students of the Modern Irish course study the language (spoken and written) and aspects of literature and culture, learning about the diversity and rich heritage of the Irish language. They will accomplish this in a friendly, open Department that has a strong commitment to Irish and to learning. All lectures, tutorials and workshops are through the medium of the Irish language and the Irish language support centre, An Droichead, provides assistance to students, first year students in particular, who are struggling with the language. This works on a peer-tutoring basis.
- Spoken and written Irish are central to our course and students are given every encouragement and support. Students normally spend a period of residence in the Gaeltacht to develop these skills.
- Our modules allow students to gain a deep appreciation of contemporary Irish literature – poetry, prose and drama. Modules are also offered on earlier periods of Irish literature, including Bardic Poetry, the Fenian Cycle and poetry of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. There are also optional modules on Scottish Gaelic, on the sean-nós singing tradition, and on Irish-language oral traditions and onomastics. In addition to practical workshops and tutorials on written and spoken Irish, we also offer modules on the sociolinguistics of Irish and on the phonology and dialectology of the modern language.
- Maynooth has a long-standing tradition of Irish. The Professorship of Irish was established in 1795, immediately after St Patrick's College was founded. As such, Irish has been taught on the campus for over two hundred years.
- Many aspects of Irish studies are researched in the Department, both language and literature, old and new, as well as other related areas of study. Irish is studied both as a living language and as a valuable part of Irish and European cultural heritage.

Career and graduate opportunities

- Advanced language and analytical skills, researching, and presentation skills are all embedded into the degree and are highly valued in various professions.
- Our graduates have secured jobs in areas including the media, translation, interpretation, teaching at primary and secondary level, in the civil service, in areas of computer science and in the Department of Foreign Affairs.
- A range of postgraduate programmes are offered by the Department.

Struchtúr an Chúrsa

Déantar staidéar ar an Nua-Ghaeilge agus ar ábhar amháin eile don chéim. Níl an Nua-Ghaeilge ar fáil do thosaitheoirí.

Ní mór do mhic léinn H4, ar a laghad, a fháil sa Ghaeilge san Ardteistiméireacht (nó a chomhionann) le staidéar a dhéanamh ar an Nua-Ghaeilge.

- 15 nó 30 creidiúint sa Nua-Ghaeilge sa chéad bhliain
- Suas le trí ábhar eile nó Scileanna Criticiúla a roghnú ó chúig ghrúpa na n-ábhar (ábhar amháin ó gach grúpa ar a mhéad - féach tábla na ngrúpaí ar lch 29)
- Déantar staidéar ar an Nua-Ghaeilge (agus ábhar amháin eile, seachas Scileanna Criticiúla) sa dara bliain agus i mbliain na céime mar cheann de Dhá Mhórábhar, mar Mhórábhar/Mionábhar nó mar Mhionábhar/Mórábhar
- Sruth roghnach 10 gCreidiúint ar fáil sa dara bliain (féach lch 18)
- Conair aistrithe sa dara bliain - go dtí MH503 BCL and Languages - do mhic léinn a n-éiríonn leo i luach 30 creidiúint de Dhlí agus a n-éiríonn leo 40%, ar a laghad, a fháil sa Nua-Ghaeilge (15 chreidiúint)

Cuirtear modúil roghnacha éagsúla ar fáil sa dara bliain agus i mbliain na céime

Rogha don Erasmus nó don Staidéar Thar Lear i ndiaidh na dara bliana

Samplaí dár gcuid modúl

Bliain 1

15 ECTS:

- Teanga agus Litríocht na Gaeilge

30 ECTS:

- Teanga agus Litríocht na Gaeilge
- Saíocht agus Saibhreas na Gaeilge
- Club Leabhar

Bliain 2

- Nualitríocht
- Litríocht na Sean-Ghaeilge
- An Fhoghraíocht
- Traidisiún na hAmhránaíochta

Bliain 3

- An Nua-Ghaeilge Mhoch
- Sochtheangeolaíocht na Gaeilge
- Litríocht chomhaimseartha na Gaeilge
- Gaeilge na hAlban
- An Drámaíocht

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Geography (available in groups 1 & 6)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Across the three years of studying with us, you will develop a rich and exciting skillset by asking 'big' questions about the world we live in such as:
  - Why is climate change occurring and how can it be addressed?
  - What causes land-use change, and what can affected communities do about it?
- You will learn about and analyse a wide range of issues, from the global climate and ecological crises to urban and regional economic development and planning.
- Geography students also learn in the field via short (day-long) and longer (five-day) field trips in Ireland and overseas (e.g. Lanzarote or Berlin).
- Lab-based modules bring students into contact with microscopic traces of past climatic periods, while computer-based modules give students access to the latest geospatial tools.
- Our Geography students are prepared to apply geographical research tools and analytical methods to find solutions to the big challenges of this century.
- Our lecturers combine field and laboratory-based research on biodiversity with in-depth investigations of the lives of people who make our communities. We use some of the most advanced geospatial technologies to reveal past, current, and future impacts of challenges such as flooding or urbanisation. Geography students benefit from engaging lecturers who bring their vast experience into the lecture hall.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Geography paves the way for active citizenship and a foundation for lifelong learning, while opening a diverse range of exciting careers.
- Geographers are flexible thinkers who acquire a suite of skills which appeal to employers in a fast-changing workplace.
- Our graduates have developed careers in Ireland and all over the world. Their skills, experiences, and knowledge make them attractive to employers in areas such as economic and industrial development agencies, public administration, and across the private sector.
  - teaching
  - research
  - urban planning
  - community work
  - overseas aid and development
  - environmental monitoring
  - retail and marketing analysis
  - data analysis
  - environmental consultancy
  - business management
- Some graduates proceed into postgraduate study and our Geography department offers a range of options.

Course Structure

1st year

- Choose 15 or 30 credits of Geography from group 1 and/or 6 plus up to 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group). If choosing Geography in Group 6, the only subject you may choose in Group 1 is Geography (Geography is timetabled in group 1 from 2nd year)

2nd year and Final year options

- Continue with Geography and 1 of your 1st year subjects as a Major/Minor, Double Major or Minor

OR

- Single Major Geography from 2nd year: at least 50 credits of Geography in each of 2nd and final year
- All combinations (Major/Minor, Double Major, Single Major, Minor) provide students with future-focused skills, with a wide range of fundamental and emerging subject strengths offered as options, and exciting field courses in Ireland and overseas offering opportunities to apply this knowledge in the real world.
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- **Living Landscapes – in group 1 (15 credits)**
  The diversity of human and physical landscapes emerging in the modern world and how we learn about the processes shaping them in the past and today.
- **Global Environments – in group 6 (15 credits)**
  The challenges posed by processes of global development occurring within a highly modified and rapidly changing natural environment.

2nd year

Focus on the major sub-fields of human and physical geography - examining global environmental (especially, climate) change & sustainability. Optional modules include:

- Urban Geography
- Climatology

Single major students attend an overseas fieldtrip.

Double major and major students can attend an Irish fieldtrip.

Final year

You can apply for a work placement (subject to availability).

A wide range of specialist physical and human geography topics to choose from, including:

- Oceanography
- Geographical Information Systems & Science

You might also like

- MH203 BSc Biological & Geographical Sciences p. 141

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German (group 1 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Beginner (advised to attend all lectures from the first week of term)

Non-beginner (recommended minimum Leaving Certificate H4 German)

Subject Overview

- As the native language to almost 100 million people around the world, German is a critical language for business, science and culture.
- You can study German at beginner or non-beginner level. Our staff are keen researchers, and this is integrated into our teaching and approach. Over the course of your degree, you will have the opportunity to:
  - develop excellent language, communication, research, intercultural, analytical and critical thinking skills
  - study film, literature, linguistics, translation, and business cultures connected to German
  - enjoy small classes taught by experts; our language, linguistics and culture modules are generally taught in small class groups, an environment in which students thrive
- Spend a year in a German-speaking country as an Erasmus student, Language Assistant or Erasmus intern (subject to availability). We have links with over 20 universities in cities and towns in Germany and Austria such as Hamburg, Munich, Vienna, Tübingen, Potsdam, Leipzig and Bonn. Students who successfully complete a year abroad as part of their programme are conferred with a 4-year BA International degree.
- If you are interested in teaching German, the Teaching Council of Ireland requires all registered teachers of German to have spent some time living in a German-speaking country. The MU School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures advises at least a three-month residency.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Highly sought-after skills: many of the world's largest firms with major operations in Ireland regularly recruit language graduates to work in all sectors of their operations. Our graduates have pursued careers in areas including:
  - the diplomatic service
  - development work with non-governmental organisations (NGOs)
  - education and teaching
  - publishing
  - the EU institutions
  - translation and interpretation
  - international trade
  - communications
  - tourism
  - journalism and the media
- Some graduates proceed into postgraduate study and the MU School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures offers a range of options.

Course Structure

1st year

- Either 15 credits of German (if you studied German in school to the recommended H4 Leaving Certificate or equivalent level) or 30 credits of German (if you are a beginner)
- Non-beginners are strongly recommended to take Language and Culture as a subject in 1st year and to select the modules on German Language and Culture
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- German as a Double Major or as a Minor
- Continue with 1 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

OR

- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the MH409 BBA Business and Languages degree - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner German

Year Abroad:

All students of German have the opportunity to spend the 3rd year of their degree programme in a German-speaking country.

You can:

- study at a university in Germany or Austria (Erasmus)
- work as an English Language Assistant at a German or Austrian school (ELA programme - subject to availability).
- complete an Erasmus internship / placement (subject to availability)

Students who avail of the Year Abroad can get this year recognised as part of their studies and convert their degree programme into a 4-year BA International.

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Grundkurs Sprache: speaking, listening, reading, grammar, writing

2nd year

- You will study a range of different topics and approaches to German Studies, and have opportunities to take optional modules in the cultures, cinemas, and literatures of Germanophone countries, as well as language awareness, business, and legal German, crossing boundaries (Year Abroad preparation) and Dutch for beginners.

Final year

- In addition to further improving your language skills, you will have the opportunity to continue to specialise in the cultures, cinemas, and literatures of Germanophone countries, or to include, for example, modules in linguistics, translation or Business German.

German also available in:

- MH503 BCL (Law and Languages) p. 135
- MH409 BBA Business and Languages p. 89

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History (group 2 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- History examines human experience over time - in a systematic way. It attempts to explain the origins and evolution of the societies we live in, from as many points of view as possible.
- You will join a School with a long-standing reputation for excellence and leadership in historical scholarship both in Ireland and abroad.
- By studying History at MU you will:
  - explore the complex processes of social, political and economic change and the context in which new ideas arise
  - develop your capacity for critical thinking, research and analysis
  - and much more!
- Students employ diverse concepts, methods and approaches, both traditional and modern, to develop their research skills and to present reasoned arguments grounded in appropriate evidence.
- By keeping our discipline vibrant, engaging and of practical value to students, History continues to be hugely popular at MU. We provide a solid grounding in the practice of history and boast expertise in a wide range of specialist topics such as:
  - life in medieval Ireland
  - the intersection of European and world history
  - military history and war studies
  - country houses and estates
  - gender and sexual politics
  - art history

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- History graduates are particularly skilled in assessing the causes and repercussions of changes in our present world. Critical thinking, analysis, research, writing and oral communication skills are adaptable to various work environments. Our graduates have pursued careers in many of the following areas:
  - arts and heritage administration
  - teaching at all levels
  - historical and other research (both private and public sector)
  - archives and museums
  - computer services
  - library and information services
  - management consultancy
  - the diplomatic and civil service
  - public office
  - university administration
  - youth work
  - personnel management
  - banking
  - radio and TV
  - journalism
  - public relations
  - even air traffic control!
- Some graduates proceed into postgraduate study and we currently offer MA programmes in Irish and Local History, European History, and Strategy, Leadership and Military History.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take either 15 or 30 credits of History
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with History and 1 other 1st year subject
- Students who pass either 15 or 30 credits of History in 1st year may take History as part of a Double Major, a Major/Minor or a Minor from 2nd year
- Optional 10 credit dissertation in final year, based on your own research

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

OR

Single Major History from 2nd year

- At least 50 credits of History in each year
- Students who achieve 50% or more in either the 15 or 30 credits of 1st year History may transfer to the Single Major in History from 2nd year
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to medieval history
- Global revolution, 1916-19
- The Anglo-Irish aristocracy in war, 1914-23
- American History from Revolution to Civil War

2nd year

- Witches in the Atlantic world
- Ireland in the 18th century
- The Irish Revolution, 1912-23
- Europe post 1945
- American history elective
- The GAA and nationalism

Final year

- Hitler's Europe, 1939-45
- The Troubles: conflict in Northern Ireland
- Art, design and society in 17th-century Europe
- Ireland under the Tudors
- Communist Europe
- Medieval Irish towns

You might also like

- Classical Studies p. 39
- Medieval Celtic Studies p. 57
- Politics p. 61

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International Development (group 3 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Students study the key development challenges confronting the world today and their impact on people and the planet, e.g. climate change and war, technology, inequality and poverty.
- Students also explore the sizeable geographic variation in the causes, nature and degree of development challenges between the Global North and South.
- Students explore issues such as
  - Global Futures
  - The Media, Activism and Development Alternatives
  - Conflict, Peacemaking and Human Rights
  - Migration, Diversity and Development
  - Theories of Social change
- International Development examines how development is planned and implemented to meet the needs of all, especially marginalised communities. You will assess the roles of governments, the UN, NGOs (non-governmental organisations) and business, analysing their effectiveness in fostering equity and sustainability.
- The programme aims to empower you to:
  - think critically
  - advocate for inclusive policies
  - act purposefully on development issues
  - contribute to solutions that prioritise dignity and sustainability for all
  - gain the tools to evaluate strategies

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates will have developed knowledge that opens opportunities to begin a career in the international development sector:
  - international policy trends
  - development education
  - facilitation
  - project planning and management
  - leadership and working with groups
- Graduates find employment in:
  - international business
  - public service
  - development education
  - international aid agencies
  - civil society and environmental organisations both in Ireland and overseas
- Postgraduate study options include an MA in International Development and an MA in International Peacebuilding, Security and Development Practice.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take either 15 or 30 credits of International Development
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with International Development and 1 other 1st year subject as a Double Major, Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

15 credit option:

- Understanding Global Development
- International Development Challenges

30 credit option:

- Migration, Conflict and Development
- States, Markets and Global Development Challenges

2nd year

- Globalisation, Economy and Development
- Modern Conflict, Terrorism and Global Security
- Planning for Development

Final year

- Media Advocacy and Development
- Development, Democracy and Governance in Asia
- Global Citizenship Education
- Africa Democracy and Development

You might also like

- Anthropology p. 34
- Geography p. 48

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Law (group 1 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Choose Law as a single or double subject in the MH101 degree if you want to sample Law in first year along with other MH101 subjects as part of a broad-based BA degree.
- If choosing to continue with Law, having successfully completed first year, we recommend eligible students transfer into one of the specialised Law degrees.
- Specialised law degrees (BCL or LLB) open more opportunities in the study of law. Graduates of the BCL and LLB are eligible to take exams for entrance to the Honorable Society of King's Inns in order to begin training as a barrister. At the end of second year, students of the BCL and LLB degrees may also apply to complete a work placement year in a law firm (subject to availability).
- All law students may apply to complete a year studying abroad at one of our partner institutions (subject to availability).
- Take the opportunity to get involved in our numerous student societies: the student Law Society, European Law Students' Association or Student FLAC (Free Legal Advice Centre) Society.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Students can tailor their Bachelor of Arts degree to their interests while developing a broad skill set which is highly valued by employers.
- Graduates of the BA MH101 degree are eligible to progress to take the Law Society of Ireland's FE-1 examinations to begin training as a solicitor.
- Graduates of our specialised LLB and BCL programmes (but not of the MH101 BA programme) will be in a position to take exams for entrance to the Honorable Society of King's Inns in order to begin training as a barrister. BCL and LLB graduates are also eligible to progress to take the Law Society of Ireland's FE-1 examinations to begin training as a solicitor.
- Studying law also opens up a whole range of career options outside of being a lawyer such as careers in:
  - civil and public service
  - policy development
  - business and finance
  - management consulting
  - the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector
  - national and international public administration (such as with the EU or UN)
  - The School of Law and Criminology offers a wide range of postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 or 15 credits of Law
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with Law as a Double Major or as a Minor in the BA degree

Transfer options

Note - if you take the 15 credit Law option in 1st year, you may only transfer into the Major BCL (40 credits of Law/20 credits other subject) or the Single Major LLB (MH501)

- Students who successfully complete 1st year, attaining 40% or higher in Law in 1st year may apply to transfer into 2nd year of the MH502 BCL (Law and Arts) programme or 2nd year of the 4 year MH501 LLB Law degree.
- Students who have taken 30 credits of Law with Accounting or Business or Criminology in 1st year may apply to transfer to 2nd year of the MH502 BCL (Law and Accounting), the MH502 BCL (Law and Business) or the MH502 BCL (Law and Criminology) degree (subject to certain conditions - see Course Finder).
- Students who have passed 30 credits of Law in 1st year and who have a subject mark of at least 40% in the 15 credit non-beginner French or Spanish subject or a subject mark of at least 40% in the subject Nua Ghaeilge may choose to transfer into the MH503 BCL (Law and Languages) degree.
- Only BCL and LLB graduates are recognised by the King's Inns as eligible to sit their entrance examinations for entry to training to become a barrister.
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- The nature of legal systems, and how laws are made nationally and internationally
- The role of lawyers, judges, legislators, and other actors in the legal system
- The laws relating to crime, negligence, and privacy

2nd year

- International Law and Human Rights
- The laws relating to business and companies
- EU and international law

Final year

- The laws relating to the family, media, and property
- The laws relating to evidence, and building a legal case
- The theory of laws and legal systems

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- Our range of specialised Law degrees - see Section 8

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Mathematical Physics (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Mathematical physics, or theoretical physics, is the study of the fundamental laws of nature that govern our existence; from the interactions of quarks and gluons through the properties of metals and the aerodynamics of flight, to the evolution of stars and galaxies.
- It is an advanced academic program focused on developing mathematical models, computational simulations, and abstract frameworks to explain the fundamental laws of nature.
- Mathematical methods developed in mathematical physics have found their way to a wide range of applications, from financial markets and computer science to genetics and brain studies.
- The study of Mathematical Physics at Maynooth University has a long and distinguished tradition, of over 200 years. Modern theoretical physics and applied mathematics are exciting and dynamic and that excitement is reflected in the research projects which are pursued in the Department.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- As a graduate with a physics and mathematical science background, you will find your analytical and problem-solving skills are in high demand in our technology and data driven society.
- Your career pathways include:
  - Research and development
  - Quantitative Finance
  - Machine Learning & AI
  - Quantum Computing Industry
  - Computing and software engineering
  - Advanced Analytics
  - Algorithmic Trading
- Entry into research after MH101 is also an option, including multi-disciplinary fields.
- The Department of Physics offers a range of postgraduate research options (MSc or PhD by research) or a Taught MSc in Theoretical Physics and Mathematics.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Mathematical Physics
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group - see p. 29 for compatible subjects)

2nd year and Final year

- Double Major, Major/Minor or Minor: Mathematical Physics and 1 of your 1st year subjects in 2nd & 3rd year
- Single Major option 1: Mathematical Physics with 1 of your 1st year subjects in 2nd year and Mathematical Physics only in 3rd year
- Single Major option 2: Mathematical Physics only in 2nd and 3rd year (60% required in 1st year Mathematical Physics to take this option)
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Space-time
- Force
- Newton's laws
- Quantum physics
- Einstein's special theory of relativity
- Angular momentum
- Conservation laws

2nd year

- Electricity and magnetism
- Vibrations and waves
- Vector calculus
- Mechanics of Lagrange and Hamilton
- Special theory of relativity
- Computational physics
- Thermal physics

Final year

- Quantum mechanics
- Statistical physics
- Particle physics
- Physical cosmology
- Solid state physics
- Fluid mechanics
- Quantum information science

You might also like

- MH201 BSC Bachelor of Science p. 68
- MH204 BSc Physics with Astrophysics p. 142
- MH206 BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics p. 144

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Mathematical Studies (group 3 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Second Year Transfer Opportunity: Yes

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Mathematics is essential to so much of our everyday lives. From engineering to construction, economics to software development, and even space travel - maths is the key to it all.
- If you already enjoy maths, the BA Mathematical Studies (MH101) is the perfect choice. You will explore a broad range of mathematics topics but with an emphasis on calculation rather than proof.
- Mathematics is the logical and abstract study of pattern. It moves between the concrete and the abstract, drawing inspiration from the changing world around us.
- In Mathematical Studies you will learn invaluable skills that can be transferred to any future career. These skills include:
  - problem-solving
  - thinking logically and clearly
  - thinking hard and rigorously
- Mathematics degrees at Maynooth University aim to bridge the gap between the maths you study at school and more complex ideas.
- With us, you will gain a firm foundation in the key areas of mathematics, while developing the ability to invent, critique and perfect mathematics for yourself.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Well-trained mathematicians are always in demand. A degree in Mathematics from Maynooth University will equip you with specialist knowledge along with the ability to think clearly and logically. These skills are highly sought after in:
  - finance, banking and trading
  - data analysis
  - information technology
  - insurance
  - the civil service
  - teaching
  - industrial and commercial management
  - administration
  - technical, scientific and engineering work in industry and in research and development
- Postgraduate study is also available, and our academic staff have a diverse range of research interests in areas including algebra, analysis, data analysis, dynamics, geometry, number theory, statistical modelling and topology.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Mathematical Studies
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group - see groups table p. 29)

2nd year

Double Major, Major/Minor or Minor:

- Mathematical Studies is taken with another Arts subject
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Option to transfer into the MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance degree if you pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in each of the following subjects: 15 credit Economics/Finance subject, 15 credit Mathematical Studies subject and 15 credit Computer Science subject and pass your other subject.

or

- You may transfer into MH415 BSc Economics degree if you pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in the subject Economics/Finance in first year and pass and achieve an average of at least 60% in Mathematical Studies in 1st year.

Final year

- Mathematical Studies may be taken as a Single Major
- Alternatively, Mathematical Studies may be taken as a Major/Minor, Double Major or Minor with your 2nd year subject

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Calculus
- Statistics
- Linear Algebra

2nd year

- Calculus
- Linear Algebra
- Differential Equations
- Number theory

Final year

- Analysis
- Groups
- Geometry
- Graph Theory
- Experimental and Computational Mathematics
- Various optional modules

You might also like

- Mathematics (Pure) p. 55
- Statistics p. 65
- MH201 BSc Bachelor of Science p. 68
- MH212 BSc Mathematics (with Education) p. 148

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Mathematics (Pure) (group 1 & 3 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Required Minimum Leaving Certificate: H2 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Mathematics is everywhere. From engineering to construction, economics to software development, and even space travel - maths drives human progress.
- If you already excel in maths, the BA Mathematics (Pure) in MH101 is an ideal choice. It focuses on giving you a deeper understanding of mathematics, and on constructing arguments that establish truth.
- Mathematics is the logical and abstract study of pattern. It moves between the concrete and the abstract, drawing inspiration from the changing world around us.
- If you are interested in abstract maths and have a flair for analytical reasoning, you'll enjoy pure mathematics.
- The ideas developed in abstract maths often lead to surprising and important applications in real life.
- You will learn invaluable skills that can be transferred to any future career, like:
  - problem-solving
  - thinking logically and clearly
  - thinking hard and rigorously
- Pure mathematics examines our conceptual understanding and asks `why?', giving you greater scope for creativity.
- Mathematics degrees at Maynooth University aim to bridge the gap between school maths and more advanced ideas.
- With us, you will gain a firm foundation in mathematics while developing the ability to invent, critique and perfect mathematics for yourself.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Well-trained mathematicians are always in demand. A degree in Mathematics from Maynooth University will equip you with specialist knowledge along with the ability to think clearly and logically. These skills are highly sought after in:
  - finance, banking and trading
  - data analysis
  - information technology
  - insurance
  - the civil service
  - teaching
  - industrial and commercial management
  - administration
  - technical, scientific and engineering work in industry and in research and development
- Postgraduate study is also available, and our academic staff have a diverse range of research interests in areas including algebra, analysis, data analysis, dynamics, geometry, number theory, statistical modelling and topology.

Course Structure

1st year

- As a Double Major BA degree Mathematics (Pure) (groups 1 & 3) is taken with 1 or 2 other Arts subjects, which may include Critical Skills in 1st year
- See page 29 for compatible subjects excluding groups 1 & 3

2nd year

- Double Major
  You must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year and pass your other subject.
- Major Mathematics (Pure)
  You must achieve an average mark of at least 50% in Mathematics (Pure) in first year and pass your other subject.
  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 plus one of your other first year subjects or progress to a double major degree in two of other your first year subjects.
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

Final year

- Mathematics (Pure) is taken as a Single Major, on its own, or Major/Minor or Double Major with your 2nd year subject

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Integration
- Analysis
- Finite Maths
- Linear Algebra
- Geometry

2nd year

- Real and Complex Analysis
- Metric Spaces
- Group Theory
- Rings and Fields

Final year

- Topology
- Group Theory
- Number Theory
- Differential Geometry
- Some optional modules

You might also like

- Mathematical Studies p. 54
- Statistics p. 65
- MH201 BSc Bachelor of Science p. 68
- MH212 BSc Mathematics (with Education) p. 148

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Media, Film & Cultural Studies (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements:
See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:
Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- This subject is focused on critical dimensions of media, film and culture, and you will have opportunities to use practical and project-based skills in modules like Live Radio and Digital Content Creation.
- To develop more extensive skills in digital and audio-visual practice, you should consider MH109 BA Media Studies.
- In Media, Film & Cultural Studies you will explore the ways that 'new' media - like social media, AI, and digital platforms - as well as 'old' media - like film, television, print and radio - shape your lived experience.
- You will have the opportunity to research and analyse media genres like:
  - advertising
  - documentary
  - media audiences and users
  - media technologies
  - platforms like video streaming and TikTok

This will help you to develop an understanding of how media shapes our ways of being in the world and how to engage effectively and critically with an increasingly mediated world.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Develop your employability and professionalism through your exploration of media, film and cultural industries and working lives.
- You will graduate with knowledge of the key practices and processes of the ever growing and ever-changing media and cultural industries, along with a range of transferable skills that are well-matched with wider sectors including public service, education and business:
  - communication
  - problem-solving
  - research
  - project management
  - teamwork skills
- These are in-demand skills in sectors including:
  - broadcasting and film
  - arts, culture & heritage
  - content creation
  - social media
  - marketing
  - PR and communications
  - NGOs (non-governmental organisations) and charity
- Postgraduate study is also popular and we offer a range of interesting options.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Media, Film & Cultural Studies
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final Year

- Media, Film & Cultural Studies is taken with another subject in 2nd and 3rd year as part of a Double Major or as a Minor
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- You will explore media, film and cultural texts and narratives; learn about media, film and cultural industries; and examine media, film and cultural audiences.

2nd year

- Along with modules that develop your research and analytical skills in media, film and cultural theories and texts, you will be able to select optional modules like Film, TV and Screen Studies and Media & Politics among others.

Final year

- Here you will have the chance to learn more about media, film and cultural industries and work by engaging in skills-development projects, interacting with graduates and developing CVs and portfolios. You will also be able to select optional modules like Podcasting, Global Cinema and Philosophy & Film.

You might also like

- MH109 BA Media Studies p. 122
  (This specialised degree includes practical, hands-on instruction in digital storytelling practices.)
- MH111 BA Creative Writing and English p. 123
- English p. 43

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Medieval Celtic Studies (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Are you interested in gaining insights into the society of medieval Ireland? Discover a world of power struggles, cattle raids, love triangles, infidelity, warfare, kingship and much more.
- Irish history, archaeology, languages, literature and an exploration of all aspects of Medieval Celtic Studies is available in this subject.
- From Cú Chulainn to Clonmacnoise, from Brú na Bóinne to the Book of Kells, we engage in teaching and research in the history, culture, language and literature of medieval Ireland and related societies. Along the way, students discover that certain fundamental human experiences and anxieties were the same in the early Middle Ages as they are in the twenty-first century.
- The diverse range of topics on medieval Celtic societies includes:
  - heroic literature and tales of the Otherworld
  - the Vikings in Ireland
  - medicine and health
  - gender and sexuality
  - the links between Ireland and the wider world
- Topics are explored through literature and material culture. You will study texts through English translations.
- There is an option to study modules in both the Old Irish language and Middle Welsh.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Through your studies you will develop a combination of analytical skills in literature, history and language – useful assets for critical thinking in a variety of careers.
- Graduates of Medieval Celtic Studies have found employment in:
  - heritage tourism and related areas
  - education
  - civil service
  - library work
  - Irish language publishing
  - academic research
- A world-leading centre for the study of Medieval Irish and Celtic Studies, the Department of Early Irish is diverse and friendly and offers a vibrant and stimulating experience for students. There is also the option for further study and graduates can also take advanced degrees after the undergraduate programme.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take 15 credits of Medieval Celtic Studies
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with Medieval Celtic Studies and 1 other 1st year subject as a Double Major, Major/Minor or as a Minor
- 2nd and 3rd year optional language modules are available, subject to a minimum level of uptake
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Power and Status in the Celtic World
- Gender and Sexuality in the Celtic World

2nd year

- Archaeology
- History
- Literature
- Language (optional)

Final year

- Literature
- History
- Manuscript Studies
- Language (optional)

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- History p. 50
- Classical Studies p. 39

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Music (group 5 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Required Minimum Leaving Certificate: H5 Music (or equivalent)

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Our Music programme is designed to ensure an exciting, broad and firm grounding in practical, compositional and academic work.
- Studying Music at Maynooth University offers you access to unparalleled choice and academic expertise including:
  - Irish traditional music
  - contemporary creative practices
  - plainchant performance
  - musical theatre
  - histories of European art music
  - popular music studies
- In your final year, you have the opportunity to specialise in areas that really interest you - in performance, composition or music research (musicology).
- Further optional modules available include 'Music and Film', 'Opera in Context', and 'Popular Music Studies'.
- You can participate in ensembles such as the Choral Society, Chamber Choir, Jazz & Blues Band, Musical Society, Traditional Music Group, and Pop & Rock Band.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- For those considering teaching Music at second level, Music in the MH101 degree satisfies the Teaching Council subject requirements.
- Music graduates are equipped with a wide range of transferable skills. Our graduates have gone on to work in the following areas:
  - professional musicians in a broad range of roles and genres (performers, composers and conductors)
  - music education
  - arts administration
  - multimedia
  - music promotion and marketing
  - journalism
  - radio production and presentation
  - music libraries
- Music graduates often pursue further study in The Department of Music, and we offer a range of postgraduate courses in music and music technology.

You have the option of studying either solo performance (subject to audition or certificate) or group piano tuition. BA students who have attained Grade 6+ (ABRSM, RIAM, Trinity College London) on a standard orchestral instrument (excluding percussion), piano, organ, classical guitar, voice or saxophone; or Grade 6+ (Rockschool, Trinity College London) on bass, drums, vocals, keyboard or guitar (electric or acoustic); or who are traditional Irish musicians or musical theatre vocalists of comparable fluency, will also have an opportunity to take individual tuition in their instrument or voice.

Students who have not taken formal performance examinations are invited to audition, demonstrating Grade 6+ attainment, in September. Please see further details on the Department of Music website. Alternatively, group piano tuition is an option open to all levels from absolute beginner to advanced. Where possible, the Department of Music arranges instrumental/vocal tuition on campus. Students can also choose to have instrumental/vocal tuition (funded to a maximum amount by the Department) at either TU Dublin or RIAM.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits (group 5) or 30 credits (group 5 & group 2) of Music. Music in group 2 is only available when choosing Music in group 5 (double Music).
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year

- After 1st year you take Music as part of a Double Major, as a Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Continue with 20, 30 or 40 credits of Music plus 1 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

Final Year

- 20, 30 or 40 credits of Music plus other subject

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Performance
- Introduction to Music Studies
- Music Traditions and Repertoires

2nd year

- Performance (solo and ensemble)
- Music and History
- Music and Film
- Irish Traditional Music
- Introduction to Orchestration and Arrangement

Final year

- Performance (solo and ensemble)
- Composition
- Music Therapy
- Popular Music Studies
- Music and its Sources

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- MH103 BMus Bachelor of Music p. 119
- Music Technology p. 59

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Music Technology (group 4 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements:
See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate:
O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:
Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- This is your unique opportunity to combine Music Technology with subjects such as Music, Computer Science and a wide range of other disciplines.
- Studying Music Technology offers an opportunity to combine and develop your creative and technical abilities. Our facilities include a recording studio; a live room; a 5.1 mastering studio; 8-channel immersive studio and field recording resources.
- Enjoy practice and theory:
  - gain hands-on experience of the practical skills involved in music technology
  - learn about essential concepts
- Wide in scope, our programme is designed to ensure a broad and firm grounding in practical and theoretical work:
  - recording and sound engineering
  - computer music programming
  - sound design
  - composition
  - acoustics and psychoacoustics
- In your final year:
  - Expanded opportunities to specialise in the areas that interest you the most
  - Students oversee significant recording and composition projects, or work towards instrument and software development.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our Music Technology graduates emerge with skills in:
  - sound design
  - computer programming
  - music recording and production
  - skills offered through studying a second discipline
- Some of the career areas which our graduates have pursued include:
  - sound designer for games
  - animation and film
  - music producer
  - recording engineer
  - software developer
  - radio producer
  - arts administration
  - events management
  - music publicity
  - music journalism
- Many graduates choose to progress to the department's MA courses in music technology and programming.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Music Technology
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group)

2nd year and Final year

- Music Technology and 1 of your other 1st year subjects as part of a Double Major degree or as a Minor
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- Acoustics and Psychoacoustics
- Digital Audio Workstations
- Listening Skills

2nd year

- Music Software Programming
- Sound Design
- Studio Recording Techniques

Final year

- Mixing
- Electroacoustic Composition
- Music Application Development

I graduated from MU with an abundance of audio skills, knowledge, and the confidence to thrive in a creative and practical industry.
Tay Taylor, Music Technology Graduate

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- Computer Science p. 40
- Music p. 58
- BMus Bachelor of Music MH103 p. 119

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Philosophy (group 1 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- We all do Philosophy every day - deciding who to vote for, questioning what happens after death, or even choosing a university course.
- Philosophy is one of the oldest fields of study and remains deeply relevant to modern life. No matter what you study, Philosophy plays a role – it connects to:
  - biology - through the scientific method
  - anthropology - through the study of cultural norms
  - business - through ethical responsibilities
- With the rise of Generative AI, Philosophy is more essential than ever. Can AI truly 'think' or 'understand'? How can we ensure it is used ethically?
- Studying Philosophy will sharpen your ability to critically analyse. It equips us with tools:
  - to interrogate ethical principles
  - to explore our identities
  - to make well-informed decisions
- More than an academic subject, Philosophy is a way of thinking that applies to many aspects of life and work. Not only will you engage with the 'big questions' but it will also help you to develop essential skills that are highly valued by employers, including:
  - analytical thinking – develop confidence in breaking down complex problems and evaluating solutions
  - collaboration – work effectively in diverse teams; engage with different perspectives
  - open-mindedness – become comfortable with new ideas and ways of thinking
- Perhaps most importantly, Philosophy will equip you to better understand the world and yourself. You will explore how Philosophy has shaped power dynamics and human experience throughout history. You will learn what past philosophers have thought, how to challenge and build on their ideas, and apply them to real-world challenges.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Philosophy is a subject that will expand your worldview. You will gain knowledge, critical thinking skills, sound judgement and versatile expertise, providing a powerful foundation for success in a complex world.
- Graduates gain key advantages that can be applied across a wide range of careers:
  - transferable skills: clear communication, expertise in research, decision-making, problem-solving, and leadership - applicable to consulting, management, policy, and strategic roles
  - human insight: a nuanced understanding of human motivation and behaviour - crucial in politics, education, advocacy, marketing, and leadership
  - subject knowledge: a deep understanding of philosophical concepts and narratives - valuable for careers in academia, writing, and media
- Use these strengths to choose a career path, develop personally, and use your understanding of human behaviour to create meaningful impact for employers.
- Philosophy graduates often pursue further study, and the Department of Philosophy offers a range of postgraduate courses.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take 15 credits of Philosophy
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with Philosophy as a Double Major, Major/Minor or as a Minor and 1 other 1st year subject
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Philosophy: Cultivating Critical Thinking and Inclusive Perspectives
- Introduction to Ethics: Exploring Value, Justice, and our Relationship to the Non-Human World

2nd year

- Digital Ethics
- Epistemology
- Introduction to Greek Philosophy
- Philosophies of the Digital Age
- Philosophy and Sustainability
- Studying Women Philosophers

Final year

- Morality and the Law
- Phenomenology and Continental Philosophy
- Philosophy of Natural Science
- Philosophy of Religion in the Modern Age
- Rationalists and Empiricists: Towards Modern Philosophy
- Renaissance Philosophy: Methods and Practices
- Philosophy and Film

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- Psychological Studies p. 62
- Sociology p. 63

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Politics (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Politics is about how we figure out what our society should look like. These are all are part of the everyday life of politics:
  - street protests
  - local elections
  - European treaties
  - parliamentary debate
  - local council decisions
  - workplace conflict
- You will explore the ways that politics works and does not work, and how it shapes our lives for better and worse.
- Students explore Irish and international politics, investigating the different forms that politics can take, how politics is organised in different countries, how politics is shaped by society and how it can chart new paths for societies:
  - the traditional study of political institutions (parties, parliaments, elections, policymaking and more)
  - broader aspects of political activity (e.g. media, social movements)
  - political ideologies (such as liberalism and socialism)
  - ideas (such as justice and freedom)
- We offer our students a participant workshop with a focus on active citizenship, providing "real world" experience of the issues raised in the teaching programme.
- You will also have the opportunity to carry out research into political life, developing analytical, communication and presentation skills.
- We encourage students to engage in social movements and issue-based campaigning, and to get involved with political parties and human rights work and to reflect upon that work.
- The Centre for the Study of Politics (CSOP) and the Maynooth University Centre for European and Eurasian Studies (MUCEES) are both important parts of the MU Politics programme.
- Politics students have the opportunity to spend a year abroad, to go on staff-led field trips and to become actively involved in the Sociology and Politics Society in the MSU (Maynooth Students' Union).

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Taking Politics and/or Sociology to degree level meets the Teaching Council degree subject requirement to teach Politics and Society at post-primary level following a Professional Master of Education (PME).
- While some graduates may enter electoral and party politics, many more will work in areas such as:
  - public policy
  - the media
  - international affairs
  - the European Union
  - human rights
  - community work
  - political activism
  - business and management
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options, including a Masters in Social Research and a PhD programme.

Course Structure

1st year

- Take 15 credits of Politics
- There is an option to take Sociology (group 5) with Politics (group 6) which would provide a 30 credit Sociology-Politics double subject
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group - see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with Politics as a Double Major or Minor and 1 other 1st year subject
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

- Option in summer of 2nd year to engage in exchange with University of Duisburg Essen

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Political Institutions
- Introduction to Political Ideas
- Lectures are supplemented with a customised tutorial programme

2nd year

- Democracy and Citizenship
- Research Methods
- Active Citizenship Workshop
- Society and State
- Optional modules include: Social Movements, Politics of the EU, Politics of the Americas, International Relations

Final year

- Irish Politics and Society
- Gender and Politics
- Killing for the Nation
- Democracy in Crisis
- Revolutions
- Environment and Society
- Northern Ireland
- Final year students produce a BA research project. For examples please see our website

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- Economics p. 42
- Philosophy p. 60
- Sociology p. 63

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Psychological Studies (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Psychological Studies in MH101 is a flexible degree option, ideal if you would like to learn about human behaviour in combination with another subject in the BA Arts Double Major pathway.
- This flexibility allows students to focus on key aspects of Psychology alongside other subjects of interest. For example, you may wish to combine Psychological Studies with subjects like Criminology, Business, Sociology or Geography.
- Unlike MH106 and MH209, Psychological Studies in MH101 will not lead to a professionally accredited degree.
- Psychological Studies graduates are eligible to apply for consideration for entry to an intensive one-year master's postgraduate programme to achieve a professionally accredited qualification in psychology (on a competitive basis - with limited numbers).
- You will learn from leading researchers in Psychology involved in the cutting-edge of the discipline. Our research applies cutting-edge psychological science to address three complementary overlapping themes:
  - Brain, behaviour and cognition
  - Mental & physical health, well-being and inclusion
  - Organisations, systems, technology and society

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Psychological Studies graduates will be eligible to apply for further studies including professionally accredited psychology conversion degrees.
- You will have acquired a range of key transferable, analytical and critical skills that will equip you for many roles in many different types of workplaces.
- You may wish also to pursue further postgraduate studies in cognate areas of social and behavioural sciences.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Psychological Studies
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year

- Psychological Studies
- Continue with 1 other subject from 1st year as part of a Double Major degree. Does not lead to a Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) accredited degree, and further study would be required to attain PSI accreditation.

Final year

- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

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Sample Modules

1st year

- Social Psychology, Cognitive Psychology and Individual Differences
- Research Foundations of Psychology, Biological and Developmental Psychology

2nd year

- Brain and Behaviour
- Cognitive Psychology
- Health Psychology
- Lifespan and Developmental Psychology
- Personality and Intelligence
- AI, Psychology and Society

Final year

- Mental Health
- Social Psychology
- Psychology of Learning
- Criminal Psychology
- Neuropsychology
- Psychology of Language
- Psychological Research Methods

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- MH106 BA Psychology p. 120
- MH209 BSc Psychology p. 146
- Criminology p. 41



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Sociology (group 5 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Sociology is the study of human social life, groups and societies. Through Sociology we examine how we live together, how our lives are shaped by the broader forces and structures in our society, and how we can shape them.
- This subject opens the mind, connecting our students' own lived experience to the wider social and economic context. This offers you the opportunity to engage in an empowering form of student-led learning.
- We offer students the opportunity to develop the following skills so they are prepared to meet the challenges of our fast-changing contemporary society, and to help them to contribute productively to social transformation:
  - critical skills
  - evidence-based powers of argumentation
  - creative thinking
  - intellectual skills
  - research skills
  - communication skills
  - active citizenship skills
- Sociology students can spend a year abroad, to go on staff-led field trips and become actively involved in the Sociology and Politics Society in the MSU (Maynooth Students' Union). Students engage in a constructive enterprise, oriented towards the promotion of equality and social justice.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Studying Sociology opens our students up to personal change and development, and provides them with the necessary tools to successfully pursue diverse professional career paths including:
  - advocacy
  - education
  - public relations
  - political activism
  - journalism
  - probation service
  - social work
  - social care
  - online community management
  - social/market research
- The Maynooth University Department of Sociology is widely acknowledged as a leading national and international centre of teaching and research excellence, as well as an exemplar of public sociology and engagement. Some Sociology graduates continue in the discipline and undertake doctoral or master's degree studies so they can pursue careers as:
  - professional sociologists
  - social researchers
  - in-house researchers or analysts in large organisations
  - policy analysts or lecturers in third-level and further education institutions
- Taking Sociology and/or Politics to degree level meets the Teaching Council degree subject requirement to teach Politics and Society at post-primary level, following a Professional Master of Education (PME).
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options, including a Masters in Social Research.

Course Structure

1st year

- 15 credits of Sociology
- There is an option to take Sociology (group 5) with Politics (group 6) which would provide a 30 credit Sociology-Politics double subject
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group - see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Sociology is taken with 1 of your 1st year subjects as part of a Double Major, a Major/Minor or as a Minor
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

- Option in summer of 2nd year to engage in an exchange with University of Duisburg, Essen

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- The Sociological Imagination
- Exploring and Explaining Global Ireland
- Lectures are supplemented with a customised tutorial programme

2nd year

- Social Theory I
- Research Methods
- Structures of Inequality
- Optional modules include: Environmental Sociology, Media and Society, Social Worlds of Children, Northern Irish Society, Tourism, Social Movements

Final year

- Social Theory II
- Optional modules include: Technology and Culture, Family, Sex Law and Society, Race and Ethnicity, Crime and Society, Gender
- Final year students produce a BA research project - for samples please see our website

You might also like

- MH107 BSocSc in Social Science p. 121
- MH116 BSocSc Community and Youth Work p. 124

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Spanish (group 5 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Beginner (advised to attend all lectures from the first week of term)

Non-beginner (recommended minimum Leaving Certificate H4 Spanish)

Subject Overview

- At Maynooth University you can study Spanish at non-beginner or at beginner level. Our friendly, student-centred learning environment will support you to achieve a high level of competency in this world language.
- As a student of Spanish, you will have a twin focus on language and on Spanish and Latin American culture and society. We give students a thorough grounding in the language while introducing them to Spanish as a world language and cornerstone of many vibrant cultures.
- You will aim to become a fluent speaker and writer of Spanish through language classes along with study in areas such as film, literature and linguistics. Expect:
  - core modules in Spanish language
  - a broad range of optional modules in areas such as Linguistics, Spanish Literature and Cinema, Latin American Literature and Cinema, Translation, Business and Legal Spanish, Catalan and Portuguese.
- You may spend a year at one of our Spanish-speaking partner universities or working as a teaching assistant in Spain or Latin America (subject to availability). This is a unique opportunity for developing language and cultural awareness. Students who successfully complete a year abroad as part of their programme are conferred with a 4-year BA International.
- If you are interested in teaching Spanish, the Teaching Council of Ireland requires all registered teachers of Spanish to have spent some time living in a Spanish-speaking country. The MU School of Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures advises at least a three-month residency.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Multinational companies such as Google and Intel, many of whom have bases in Ireland, continually note the importance of finding graduates who are not only fluent in languages but who have the intercultural competence to deal with colleagues and customers in an increasingly globalised world.
- A degree in Spanish offers graduates enhanced employability in a wide range of careers:
  - diplomatic service
  - development work with NGOs (non-governmental organisations)
  - education
  - publishing
  - EU and global institutions
  - translation and interpreting
  - international trade
  - communications
  - tourism
- Some of our students pursue postgraduate research in Spanish and Latin American Studies. We offer a range of postgraduate programmes, and are happy to supervise postgraduate research.

Course Structure

1st year

You will engage with a wide range of texts, learning to recognise and analyse key features.

- Either 15 credits of Spanish (if you studied Spanish in school to the recommended H4 Leaving Certificate or equivalent level) or 30 credits of Spanish (if you are a beginner)
- Non-beginners are strongly recommended to take Language and Culture as a subject in 1st year and to select the modules on Spanish Language and Culture. This is especially important if you are hoping to keep on Spanish to degree level
- Choose 2 or 3 other subjects, which may include Critical Skills, from the available groups (maximum 1 subject per group – see groups table p. 29)

2nd year and Final year

- Spanish as a Double Major or as a Minor
- Continue with one of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the Business and Languages degree MH409 - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) taking at least 15 credits of a Business subject and achieving at least 40% in 30 credits of beginners/15 credits of non-beginner Spanish
- Transfer option in 2nd year - into the Law and Languages degree MH503 - for students who have completed the first year of the BA degree (MH101) passing 30 credits of Law and achieving at least 40% in the 15 credit non-beginner Spanish subject

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

All students of Spanish & Latin American Studies have the opportunity to spend the third year of their degree programme in a Spanish-speaking country. This might involve:

- studying at a university in Spain (Erasmus programme)
- assisting with English classes at a Spanish school (ELA programme - subject to availability)
- Erasmus internship/placement (subject to availability)

Students who avail of the Year Abroad can have this year recognised as part of their studies and thus convert their degree programme into a 4-year BA International.

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- Language from beginner or Leaving Certificate level (or equivalent)
- Introduction to the culture of the Spanish-speaking countries

2nd year

- Introduction to Spanish Literature
- Business and Legal Spanish
- Sport, Leisure & Popular Culture in the Spanish-speaking World
- Spanish for Professional and Business Purposes
- Language modules
- Linguistics
- Catalan or Portuguese are also offered at beginner level
- First Steps in Translation: Theory and Practice

Final year

- Spanish Literature
- Latin American Culture
- Linguistics
- Translation
- Students continue with their language modules
- Continuing Catalan or Portuguese are also offered

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Statistics (group 6 subject)

CAO Code: **MH101** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **300**

MH101 Overview and Entry Requirements: See page 28

Recommended Leaving Certificate: O3/H7 Leaving Certificate Mathematics

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Subject Overview

- Statistics deals with the collection, analysis and interpretation of data.
- You will learn how to use statistical models and visualisation methods to unlock valuable information and hidden patterns in large volumes of data.
- A degree in Statistics will provide you with tools to address problems of critical importance to humans such as climate change, developing cancer drugs or managing traffic flows.
- Statistics as a Double Major subject can be combined with most other academic subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree. This flexibility means you can combine your interest in aspects of society with knowledge of the statistical tools needed to understand data from those fields.
- Data recording is happening at unprecedented levels on local, national and global scales. The ability to transform data into usable knowledge is a highly sought-after and desirable skill in today's workforce, be it in business, science, health or social sciences. This subject will strongly enhance your employability.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of a degree in Statistics are highly data literate and because of this are very much sought-after by employers. Critical thinking, being analytically focused and being adaptable to varying work environments are among the strong skills and traits of Statistics graduates that are attractive to employers.
- Graduates have a wide range of career options open to them, including employment in:
  - the civil service
  - industry and business
  - scientific research
  - medical research
  - environmental research
  - financial services
  - actuarial roles
- Postgraduate study is also available and our academic staff have a diverse range of research interests in areas including algebra, analysis, data analysis, dynamics, geometry, number theory, statistical modelling and topology.

Course Structure

1st year

- In year 1 of the BA Double Major programme, Statistics is taken with two or three other subjects. One of these subjects must be Mathematical Studies or Mathematics (Pure)

2nd year

- Statistics is taken with one of your first year subjects. This subject can be, but does not have to be, Mathematical Studies or Mathematics (Pure)
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

3rd year

- Statistics can be taken as a Double Major or as a Minor subject. The second subject can be, but does not have to be, Mathematical Studies or Mathematics (Pure)

***For MH101** subject groups table go to page 29*

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Data Science 1
- Introduction to Data Science 2

2nd year

- Data Analysis
- Design and Analysis of Experiments
- R for Statistics and Data Science
- Nonparametric Statistics
- Calculus
- Linear Algebra

Final year

- Probability
- Data Visualisation
- Generalized Linear Models
- Time Series
- Bayesian Data Analysis

You might also like

- MH207 BSc Data Science p. 145
- MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82

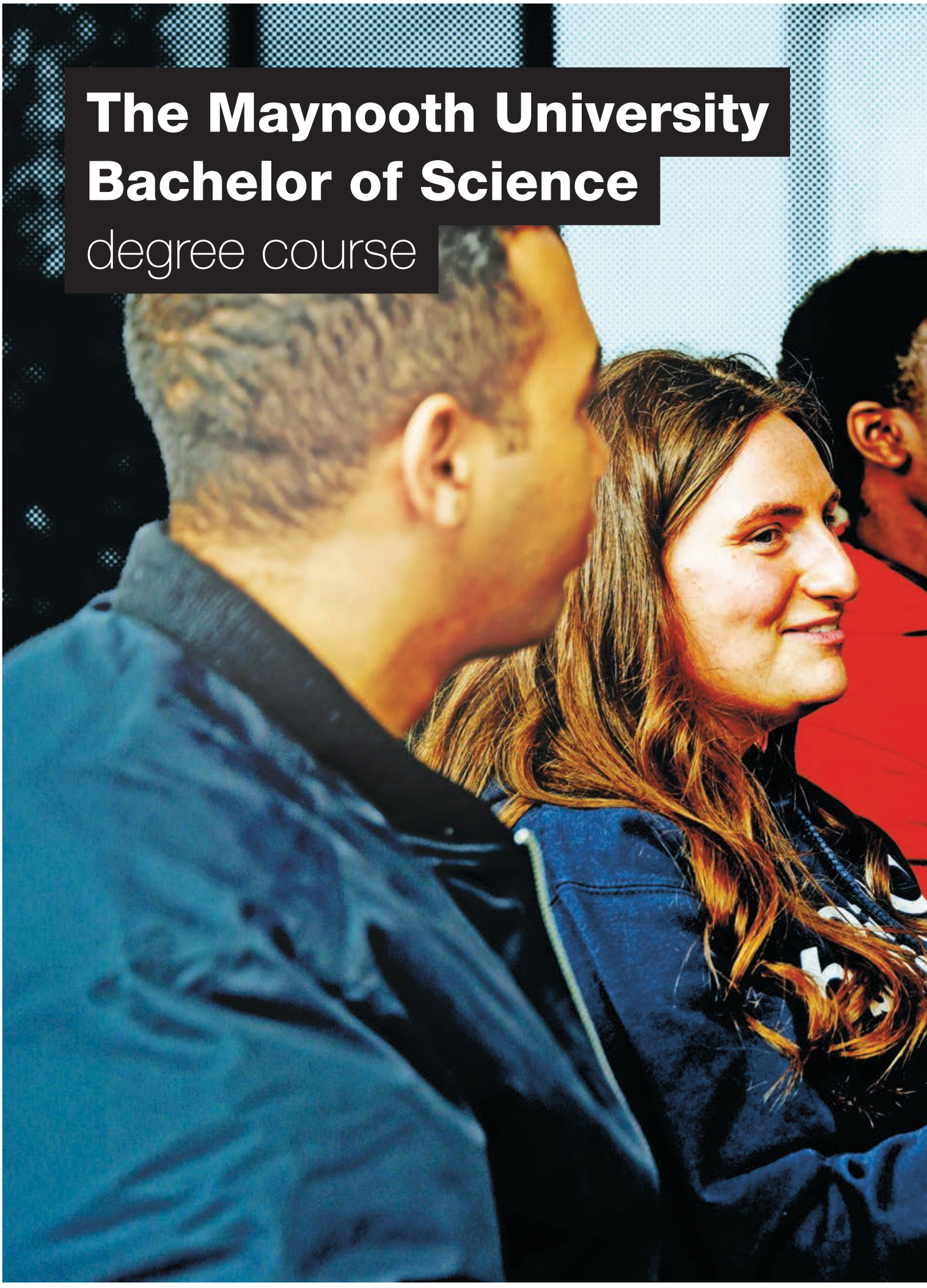
The field of statistics is constantly changing to address new, modern problems from areas such as bioinformatics, social networks and fraud detection.

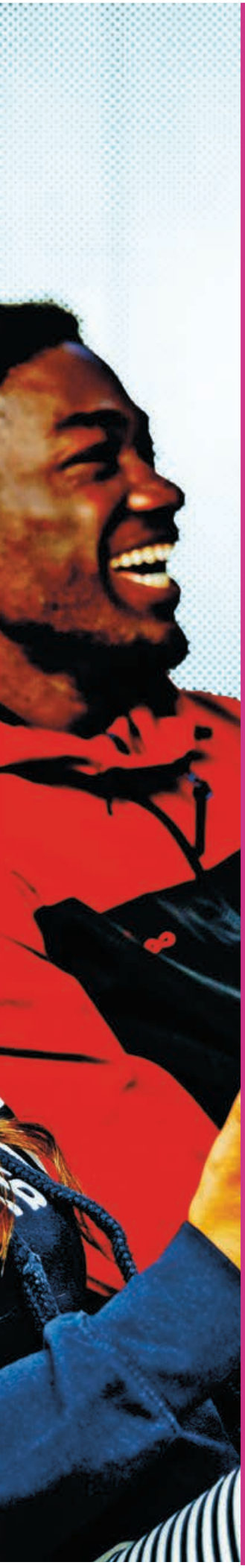
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The Maynooth University Bachelor of Science

degree course





Bachelor of **Science** degree

CAO Code: MH201

Min. CAO Points 2026: 346

Subjects available in the BSc degree:

Biology	**71**
Chemistry	**72**
Computer Science	**73**
Data Science[1]	**74**
Engineering Science	**75**
Experimental Physics	**76**
Mathematical Physics	**77**
Mathematics	**78**
Statistics[2]	**79**

1 In Year 1

2 From Year 2



SECTION 2: **THE MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE MH201**

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

Places: 250

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, O6/H7 Irish, English & a Science subject (i.e. Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 Mathematics.

Why Maynooth University Science?

The Maynooth University Faculty of Science and Engineering is engaged in cutting-edge research in various scientific fields, with professors bringing their expertise into the classroom.

We take great pride in our warm and supportive campus community, which creates a positive learning environment where students can thrive academically and feel comfortable asking questions.

Our MH201 BSc Science programme goes beyond just teaching content – we focus on nurturing critical thinking, problem-solving, and effective communication skills, all of which are valuable for a wide range of careers.

The Faculty of Science and Engineering at Maynooth University comprises the following departments:

1. The Department of Biology
2. The Department of Chemistry
3. The Department of Computer Science
4. The Department of Electronic Engineering
5. The Department of Mathematics and Statistics
6. The Department of Physics
7. The Department of Psychology

All Faculty of Science and Engineering departments are involved in a diverse range of interesting and dynamic research areas. Visit the departments' webpages for more detail and read the pages that follow for MH201 subject information relating to each department.

Why MH201 Bachelor of Science Degree?

- MH201 BSc Science is the most sought-after degree in the Faculty of Science and Engineering at Maynooth University.
- It is the perfect choice for those who are curious about the natural world and want to understand how it operates from the smallest atom to the vastness of space.
- This degree is ideal for students interested in multiple areas of science and who want the flexibility to explore their interests before specialising.
- MH201 BSc Science will equip you with valuable skills that go beyond specific scientific knowledge. You will hone your critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical abilities. You will learn to communicate complex ideas effectively, both in writing and verbally. These skills are highly sought after by employers in various fields, making it a versatile and rewarding choice.
- Transitioning into MH201 - Orientation/Welcome Week September 2027 and ongoing supports:
  - ➔ Orientation/Welcome Week is designed to help our new students to seamlessly transition into university life. You will find yourself quickly immersed in the vibrant Maynooth University campus community and in your new Bachelor of Science degree. Our experienced staff will be on hand to provide advice and support throughout the year at our award-winning Maths Support Centre and our dedicated Computer Science Centre.

Structure of the Maynooth University Bachelor of Science Degree

- Four subjects in 1st year, one of which is Mathematics. Students choose their three other science subjects from the seven remaining subjects - see page 69.
- No decision about subject choice is necessary until four weeks after commencement of 1st year. This gives you a chance to sample various subjects and make an informed decision.
- 2nd year - continuing with three of your 1st year subjects **or** two of your 1st year subjects with your choice of an optional Elective - see page 18 for more about Electives.
- 3rd year - continue with two subjects.
- 4th year - continue with one or two subjects.

MH201 offers potential transfer opportunities into other degrees which are outlined together with the transfer criteria on page 70.

Career pathways for MH201 graduates:

Depending on the subjects chosen (and potential further specialisation), roles for MH201 graduates include, but are not limited to:

- Astrophysicist
- Biomedical Engineer
- Botanist
- Chemist
- Computer Scientist
- Cosmologists
- Cryptographer
- Data Scientist
- Environmentalist
- Genetic Specialist
- Global Health Specialist
- Immunologist
- Mathematician
- Medical Physician
- Meteorologist
- Physicist
- Science Communications
- Science Educator
- Statistician
- Zoologist

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- We offer a range of specialised computing, engineering and science degrees. See Sections 4, 6 & 9.

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MH201 Course Structure

1st year

- Mathematics (required in 1st year)
- Plus choose three subjects from:
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Computer Science
  - Data Science[7]
  - Engineering Science[6]
  - Experimental Physics
  - Mathematical Physics

2nd year

Continue with 3 of the 4 subjects taken in 1st year

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science[1]
- Engineering Science[6]
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematical Physics
- Mathematics
- Statistics[4]
- **Optional 10 credit Elective - see p. 18**

3rd year

Continue with 2 of the 3 subjects taken in 2nd year

- Biology
- Chemistry[3]
- Computer Science[2]
- Engineering Science[6]
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematical Physics[3]
- Mathematics (Applied)
- Mathematics (Pure)
- Statistics[4 5]

Final year OR Double Major

Double Major: continue with your two subjects taken in 3rd year

- Biology
- Chemistry[3]
- Computer Science[2]
- Engineering Science[6]
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematical Physics[3]
- Mathematics (Applied)
- Mathematics (Pure)
- Statistics[4 5]

Final year Single Major

Single Major: continue with one of the two subjects taken in 3rd year

- Biology
- Chemistry[3]
- Computer Science[2]
- Engineering Science[6]
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematical Physics[3]
- Mathematics (Applied)
- Mathematics (Pure)

MH201 Flexibility

1st year

Four weeks to decide on subject choice. During Orientation, students will have the opportunity to learn more about subject selection within MH201.

2nd year

Optional 10 credit Elective - see p. 18

Possible Topics

For module details see the subject pages

1 Students taking Computer Science in 2nd year must also take Mathematics.

2 Students intending to take Computer Science as a Single Major degree must take Mathematics (Pure) or Mathematics (Applied) in 3rd year.

3 Chemistry and Mathematical Physics cannot be taken together in 3rd or 4th year.

4 Statistics may not be taken with Mathematical Physics in any year, or with Chemistry in 3rd and 4th year. Students taking Statistics must also take Mathematics in 2nd year.

5 Statistics can be, but does not have to be, combined with Mathematics in 3rd and 4th year.

6 Engineering Science cannot be taken with Biology. Students taking Engineering Science must also take Computer Science. Students may take Computer Science and not take Engineering Science.

7 Data Science cannot be combined with Mathematical Physics. Students taking Data Science in 1st year can follow on with Statistics in 2nd year, provided they get 55% in 1st year Mathematics. However, Data Science in 1st year is not a requirement for taking Statistics in 2nd year.



Colmán O'Donovan

MH201 Biology and Chemistry Double Major

QC Chemist in Pfizer

If you know you love science but are not quite sure which route you'd like to go down, MH201 is the right course for you.

I studied Chemistry and Biology, and I enjoyed the laboratory practicals so much that I decided to become a Lab Demonstrator in the Biology Department after I graduated. This helped me secure roles in Enfer Medical, one of Ireland's leading clinical laboratories, and my current job as a QC Chemist in Pfizer.

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Transfer opportunities into specialised degrees from MH201

1st year	2nd year specialised degree	Requirements for eligibility to transfer - having successfully completed 1st year MH201
MH201 BSc Bachelor of Science Degree	MH202 BSc Biotechnology	Students must take Biology, Chemistry and Maths plus 1 other available 1st year subject. Students must achieve an overall grade of 60%. Places are limited and are based on results.
	MH204 BSc Physics with Astrophysics	Students attaining 60% in Experimental Physics and 60% in either Mathematics or Mathematical Physics in 1st year of MH201 may apply to transfer into 2nd year of MH204. Places are limited and are based on results.
	MH205 BSc Biomedical Science	Students must take Biology, Mathematics plus 2 other available subjects. Transfer is based on 1st year performance and 1st year university results. Places are limited.
	MH207 BSc Data Science	Students must take Computer Science/Mathematics/Data Science plus 1 other available 1st year subject. Students must pass the year and achieve an overall grade of 55% or greater in Mathematics in their 1st year science examination. Places are limited.
	MH210 BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry	Students must take Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry plus 1 other available 1st year subject. Students must achieve a minimum grade of 60% in Chemistry. Places are limited and are based on results.
	MH212 BSc Science (with Education)	Students must take Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Experimental Physics. Up to 2 places each year may become available in MH212 for students successfully completing their first year of MH201. Availability and selection will be on the basis of 1st year results and dependent on programme capacity.
	MH212 BSc Computer Science and Mathematics (with Education)	Students must take Mathematics and Computer Science plus 2 available 1st year subjects. Up to 2 places each year may become available in MH212 for students successfully completing their first year of MH201. Availability and selection will be on the basis of 1st year results and dependent on programme capacity.
	MH212 BSc Mathematics (with Education)	Students must take Mathematics, Mathematical Physics plus 2 other available 1st year subjects. Up to 2 places each year may become available in MH212 for students successfully completing their first year of MH201. Availability and selection will be on the basis of 1st year results and dependent on programme capacity.
	MH304 BE Electronic Engineering	MH201 Engineering Science to 2nd year MH304 BE Electronic Engineering for students who have taken Engineering Science, Computer Science, Mathematics and one other subject. Subject to attaining 50% or more in Mathematics in the student's first sitting of 1st year exams, and passing 1st year. Subject to availability of places.
	MH604 BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW**	Students must have successfully completed 1st year having taken 22.5 credits of Computer Science (including CS192), Mathematics plus one other available subject. Transfer to MH604 is dependent on availability of a place and also on first year grades.



MH201 gives you freedom to discover your interests, build confidence, and develop the knowledge and skills to tackle tomorrow's scientific challenges

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Biology

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Transfer opportunity
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Subject Overview

- Biology is the study of life - everything from the tiniest microbe to entire ecosystems that spread across the planet. You can study a wide range of biological disciplines before focusing in fourth year on your specific area of interest (e.g. immunology, ecology, microbiology).
- There are many "umbrella" fields of biology including:
  - Biochemistry
  - Cellular biology
  - Ecology
  - Evolutionary biology
  - Genetics
  - Immunology
  - Microbiology
  - Molecular biology
  - Plant science
  - Physiology
  - Zoology
- Many of these fields overlap, for example, to study animals (zoology) it is also important to know about evolution, physiology and ecology. To study cellular biology, it is important to know about biochemistry and molecular biology as well.
- Customisable degree: graduate with either a Single Major or Double Major and potentially spend a semester abroad.
- Join a Biology Department which is unique in the university system in Ireland because we house several biological disciplines together. This means that most aspects of biology are taught alongside each other throughout our degree programmes. This allows you to establish links between different areas of biology and gives an integrated and comprehensive view of biology, from cells to ecosystems.
- Our researchers have excellent national and international reputations in biochemistry, biodiversity, bioinformatics, ecology, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, molecular genetics, plant science and proteomics.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Students graduating with a Biology Major (or double major with another subject) have found careers in the agri-food and drinks sector and in pharmaceutical industries (particularly if Chemistry is taken as a second subject). Our graduates have secured employment in the conservation services, agricultural services, and research in environment and medical areas.
- A Biology Major also provides strong foundations for careers in areas such as education, forensic science, health services, scientific research and science writing.
- The Biology Department offers a range of postgraduate study options, including Masters degrees (MSc) in Biology (research) and Immunology and Global Health (taught) and doctoral degrees (PhD) in Biology.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year
- Biology
- Mathematics
- 2 other Science subjects (Chemistry, Computer Science [15 or 30 credits], Data Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics). See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year
- Biology
- Continue with 2 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective available in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Biology
- Continue with 1 of your 2nd year subjects
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year

Final year
- Biology may be taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major with the other subject taken in 3rd year

Sample Modules

1st year
- From Cell to Organism
- Biological Function and Diversity

2nd year
- Biochemistry
- Animal Physiology
- Evolutionary Biology
- Molecular Biology of the Cell

3rd year
- Immunology
- Ecology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Biology
- Plant Biology or Bioinformatics

Final year

Choose from an extensive range of topics, such as
- Advanced Immunology / Tumour Biology / Medical Mycology / Antibiotics / Clinical Proteomics / Human Nutrition & Metabolic Disease / Plant Biotechnology / Molecular Ecology and Biogeography
- Option of either a lab-based or literature-based research project.

You might also like

- MH202 BSc Biotechnology p. 140
- MH203 BSc Biological and Geographical Sciences p. 141
- MH205 BSc Biomedical Science p. 143
- MH210 BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry p. 147
- MH212 BSc Science (with Education) p. 148

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Chemistry

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Transfer opportunity
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Subject Overview

- Curious about how the world works at a molecular level? Choosing Chemistry in the MH201 BSc degree provides a flexible, engaging, and career-focused pathway, and an excellent education in all the major branches of the subject.
- From your first year, you will explore the foundations of chemistry while keeping your options open.
- Chemistry in the MH201 degree opens doors across science, industry, and beyond. You can combine Chemistry with other science subjects, allowing you to shape your degree around your interests and career goals.
- As you progress, you will move from core concepts to cutting-edge topics such as materials, environmental/sustainable, electroanalytical and advanced synthetic chemistry.
- What makes this programme different?
  - Flexibility: choose additional subjects alongside Chemistry in first year and refine your focus as you go.
  - Hands-on learning: gain practical laboratory experience.
  - Research experience: complete an individual research project in your final year.
  - Support: small group learning with access to supportive lecturers.
  - Customisable degree: graduate with either a Single Major or Double Major and potentially spend a semester abroad.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- You will develop highly transferable skills that are valued across a wide range of careers, such as:
  - problem-solving
  - data analysis
  - communication
  - critical and analytical thinking
  - scientific writing
- The pharma-chemical industry in Ireland employs more than 26,000 people directly and produces over €100bn in annual exports. Graduates of this course work in pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, agrochemical firms, semiconductor manufacturers and manufacturers of detergents, paints and cosmetics.
- Employment in the business and financial sectors, the food sector, the government e.g. forensic science, journalism and the health services.
- Postgraduate study options include MSc and PhD in Chemistry.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Choose 2 other Science subjects (Biology, Computer Science [15 or 30 credits], Data Science, Engineering Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics. Chemistry may not be taken with Mathematical Physics or Statistics in 3rd or 4th year). See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year
- Continue with Chemistry plus 2 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Continue with Chemistry plus 1 of your 2nd year subjects
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year

Final year
- Chemistry may be taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major with the other subject taken in 3rd year

Sample Modules

1st year
- General Chemistry 1 & 2

2nd year
- Organic Chemistry
- Spectroscopy and Analytical Chemistry
- Physical Chemistry
- Co-ordination Chemistry and s-Block Groups

3rd year
- Analytical Techniques
- Heterocyclic, Carbohydrate and Peptide Chemistry
- Solid State and p-Block Chemistry
- Thermodynamics and Group Theory
- Organic Chemistry
- Transition Metal Chemistry

Final year
- Project
- Sustainable and Environmental Chemistry
- Materials Chemistry
- Bioinorganic and “F” Block Chemistry
- Catalytic and Stereoselective Organic Chemistry
- Electroanalytical Chemistry

You might also like

- MH202 BSc Biotechnology p. 140
- MH210 BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry p. 147
- MH212 BSc Science (with Education) p. 148
- MH222 BSc Food Science and Human Nutrition p. 151

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Computer Science

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Subject Overview

- Computer Science at Maynooth University is the study of the principles and use of computers and software.
- Advanced topics such as computer vision, theoretical computer science, robotics, cryptography and artificial intelligence may be studied, depending on the pathway students take.
- Students enjoy the huge benefit of studying other science subjects with Computer Science in first year, lending graduates a wider frame of reference. There is a wide variety of options after first year.
- The Department of Computer Science at Maynooth University was founded in 1987 and is located in the Eolas Building, our ICT hub. Our laboratories and equipment provide excellent facilities for practical work and all our courses include a mix of lectures and laboratory work.
- We provide a supportive and enjoyable atmosphere for learning through our Computer Science Centre, extensive assistance during practical work and we are available outside of lectures to help our students. We organise and run extracurricular opportunities throughout the year.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Computer Science graduates can find employment in graphical interface design, medical imaging, video-based information systems, multimedia/web development, electronic publishing, computer assisted translation, e-learning systems development, games development, software development.
- Non-computing industries: financial services, business and administration, health services, and the automobile and aeronautics sectors. The broad choice of subjects to choose from in first year helps prepare students for a wider array of jobs upon graduation.
- Computer Science is a teaching subject at second level and therefore a career in education may also be possible following further postgraduate study.
- Postgraduate study options currently include: MSc Computer Science (Software Engineering) / MSc in Data Science and Analytics / Professional Master of Education (Second Level Teaching) / MSc or PhD Computer Science (by research).

MH201 Course Structure

1st year

- Either 15 or 30 credits of Computer Science is taken with Mathematics
- Plus choose 1 or 2 other Science subjects (Biology or Engineering Science, Chemistry, Data Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics). See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year

- Computer Science, Mathematics (Mathematics must be taken with Computer Science in 2nd year)
- Continue with 1 of your other 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

There is a transfer pathway from 1st year MH201 Science to 2nd year of new degree MH604. Students must have successfully completed 1st year having taken 22.5 credits of Computer Science (including CS192), Mathematics plus one other available subject. Transfer to MH604 is dependent on availability of a place and also on first year grades.

3rd year

- Computer Science
- Plus continue with 1 other subject from 2nd year
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year

Final year

- Computer Science may be taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major with the other 3rd year subject
- Students intending to take a Single Major degree must take Mathematics (Pure) or Mathematics (Applied) in 3rd year

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to programming, computer systems and computer science theory

2nd year

- Algorithms & Data Structures
- Databases
- Operating Systems

3rd year

- Computer Architecture
- Software Engineering
- Introduction to UX, (UI) and Interaction Design
- Networks
- Web Information Processing
- Computation & Complexity

Final year

- Theory of Computation
- Programming Language Semantics
- Final Year Project
- Choice of CS topics

You might also like

- MH604 BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW**
- MH605 BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence **NEW** See Section 4 for details

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Data Science

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Subject Overview

- Data Science is the science of collating, managing, analysing, visualising and understanding data. It is key to unlocking the hidden wisdom that is stored in the vast amounts of data available in today's world.
- In MH201, you have the opportunity to study Data Science as a subject in first year - introducing you to the basics of how to manipulate, visualise and 'bring to life' large volumes of data. The hands-on data experience that is gained in first year Data Science will be invaluable to any scientist, whether they plan to pursue the life sciences (e.g. Biology), the physical sciences (e.g. Experimental Physics) or are more interested in the highly quantitative sciences (e.g. Statistics, Mathematics, Computer Science).
- Are you considering taking Statistics as a subject (available in MH201 from second year) to degree level? If so, taking Data Science in first year is strongly recommended. Taking Data Science in first year gives students the chance to try out the practical side of analysing and visualising data, while taking Statistics from second year gives students a deeper understanding of modelling and analysis techniques.
- Are you choosing Computer Science in first year and considering taking it through to degree level? If so, Data Science in first year is highly complementary to first year Computer Science: these subjects combine the hands-on practical side of working with data that students get in first year Data Science with the more rigorous programming and database skills that they learn in first year Computer Science.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Data science graduates pursue careers with a wide range of organisations such as multinationals, financial services, and professional services companies. Some related roles in data science include:
  - data scientist
  - business intelligence analyst
  - customer insight lead
  - risk analyst
  - knowledge engineer
  - data programmer

MH201 Course Structure

1st year

- In the BSc programme, you take Mathematics and Data Science with two other subjects except Mathematical Physics. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year

- Data Science is a 1st year subject only, but in 2nd year students can take Mathematics, either of their other 1st year subjects, or Statistics (which begins as a subject in 2nd year). Students who enjoyed and excelled in Data Science in 1st year are recommended to take Statistics and Mathematics in 2nd year.
- Statistics – see p. 79 for details and entry requirements – MH201 Statistics
- Mathematics – see p. 78 for details – MH201 Mathematics
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Students who have taken Mathematics, Data Science and Computer Science in 1st year may be considered for transfer entry into year 2 of MH207 Data Science (subject to entry requirements) – see p. 70.

Sample MH201 subject choice pathways that include Data Science/Statistics

1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Final year
• Mathematics, Data Science, Biology, Computer Science	• Mathematics, Statistics, Computer Science	• Statistics, Computer Science	• Statistics, Computer Science
• Mathematics, Data Science, Experimental Physics, Computer Science	• Mathematics, Statistics, Biology	• Statistics, Biology	• Biology
		• Statistics, Mathematics (Pure or Applied)	• Statistics, Mathematics (Pure or Applied)

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Data Science 1
- Introduction to Data Science 2
- Please see Statistics on p. 79 for possible follow on topics

You might also like

- MH207 BSc Data Science p. 145

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Engineering Science

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Subject Overview

- Electronic engineering and engineering science are at the forefront of technological change - developing the newest phones, computers, toys, robots and cars. One of the newest areas for electronic engineers is the space where software and hardware meet.
- As a student in the Electronic Engineering Department, you will benefit from our world-class expertise in mobile communications, biomedical diagnostics and technologies, and the intelligent control of large machines such as Robots or wave machines.
- Each of these areas is matched to rapidly growing industries and excellent job opportunities. By bringing this deep knowledge to all the undergraduate programmes, we provide our graduates with a world-class electronic engineering education but also a headstart in these exciting and important areas.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- You can expect to graduate with a strong background in software and electronic systems - skills that are in high demand throughout the ICT sector in Ireland and internationally.
- If you choose Computer Science with Engineering Science, you will have particular strength when seeking opportunities in companies which require a close fusion of hardware and software systems – such as robotics or highly integrated devices (such as engine management, digitally controlled products).
- If you choose another science subject with Engineering Science, you can access careers in companies looking at sensing and monitoring – in the medical, biological and environmental sectors.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year

- Engineering Science is taken with Mathematics, Computer Science (15 or 30 credits) and 1 other Science subject from Chemistry, Data Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year

- Students take Engineering Science, Mathematics and another subject.
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Transfer pathway: 1st year MH201 Engineering Science to 2nd year MH304 BE Electronic Engineering for students who have passed first year taking Engineering Science, Computer Science, Mathematics and one other subject. Subject to attaining 50% or more in Mathematics in their 1st sitting of 1st year exams. Subject to availability of places.

3rd year

- Continue with Engineering Science and one other subject.

Final year

- You choose between Engineering Science as a (i) Single Major or (ii) Double Major degree
- Available Science subjects in conjunction with Engineering Science: Mathematics, Chemistry, Computer Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics or Statistics

Sample Modules

1st year

- Electronic Engineering Fundamentals
- Introduction to Systems & Control
- Telecommunications

2nd year

- Computing for Engineers
- Digital Systems
- Electric Circuits

3rd year

- Analogue Electronics
- Signals & Systems
- Realtime and Embedded Systems
- System Dynamics and Control
- Analogue Electronics Project

Final year Double Major

- Analogue Electronics
- Digital Signal Processing
- Engineering Design Project (10 credits)

Final year Single Major

- Computation and Simulation
- Digital Signal Processing
- Control Systems
- Unconstrained Optimisation
- Computer Control Systems
- RF Circuits & Systems
- ASIC Design with Verilog
- Final Year Project (20 credits)

You might also like

- MH304 BE Electronic Engineering p. 112
- MH306 BSc Robotics and Intelligent Devices p. 114

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Experimental Physics

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Subject Overview

- Experimental Physics at Maynooth University combines lectures and hands-on learning with opportunities to explore science beyond the lecture hall. Students can take part in field trips and visits to research centres, observatories, hospitals, and space science facilities, gaining first-hand experience of physics in action and providing valuable insights into the work of physicists in academia and industry.
- Students learn in a state-of-the-art environment, with access to modern teaching laboratories and specialised instrumentation used in contemporary research. By studying physics, students develop the experimental, analytical, mathematical, and problem-solving skills needed to tackle real-world challenges such as climate change and contribute to future scientific and technological advances.
- Physics connects naturally with fields such as astronomy (astrophysics), space science, biology (biophysics), geology (geophysics) climate and environmental science, data science, and engineering. It opens a wide range of exciting career pathways whether your interests lie in fundamental science, technology, sustainability or data.
- Maynooth has a strong tradition of excellence in Experimental Physics research and education. Building on a legacy of scientific innovation, students become part of a vibrant community that is helping to address some of today's most important scientific and technological challenges.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our graduates have progressed to roles at Met Éireann, the European Space Agency, EPA, Intel, Nikon, Ericsson, St. Vincent's Hospital Dublin, to name but a few.
- Physicists can find challenging and rewarding careers in fields such as:
  - Medical Physics
  - Computational Physics
  - Meteorology
  - Environmental Physics
- Physics graduates may also consider careers in areas such as:
  - Data Science
  - Electronics
  - Banking, finance & management
  - Telecommunications
  - Semiconductor Industry
- Students who do sufficiently well are eligible to undertake research for an MSc or PhD degree. We have a world leading research record in astronomy, astronomical instrumentation, climate and environmental physics, atomic and molecular physics, and cryogenic detector development.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematics
- Plus choose 2 other Science subjects (Biology or Engineering Science, Chemistry, Computer Science [15 or 30 credits], Data Science, Mathematical Physics). Students taking Engineering Science must also take Computer Science. Students may take Computer Science and not take Engineering Science. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year
- Experimental Physics
- Continue with 2 of your 1st year subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

OR
- Potential to move from MH201 into a related specialised degree. See p. 70 for details.

3rd year
- Experimental Physics
- Continue with 1 of your 2nd year subjects
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year

Final year
- Experimental Physics may be taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major with the other subject taken in 3rd year

Sample Modules

1st year
- Introduction to Classical Physics: Mechanics, Physics of Heat, Electromagnetism and Optics
- Introduction to Atomic, Molecular and Nuclear Physics
- Introduction to Astrophysics: Solar System, Climate Change, Stars and Galaxies

2nd year
- Electricity and Magnetism
- Physical Optics and Lasers
- Mechanics and Thermal Physics
- Quantum Physics

3rd year
- Quantum Mechanics and Relativity
- Electronics
- Applied Electromagnetics
- Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics
- Introduction to Computational Physics

Final year
- Nuclear, Radiation and Particle Physics
- Computational Optics
- Electromagnetic Radiation
- Physics of Atoms and Quanta
- Solid State Physics
- Device Physics
- Individual Project

You might also like

- MH204 BSc Physics with Astrophysics p. 142
- MH212 BSc Science (with Education) p. 148

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Mathematical Physics

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Subject Overview

- Mathematical physics, or theoretical physics, is the study of the fundamental laws of nature that govern our existence; from the interactions of quarks and gluons through the properties of metals and the aerodynamics of flight, to the evolution of stars and galaxies.
- It is an advanced academic program focused on developing mathematical models, computational simulations, and abstract frameworks to explain the fundamental laws of nature.
- Mathematical methods developed in mathematical physics have found their way to a wide range of applications, from financial markets and computer science to genetics and brain studies.
- The study of Mathematical Physics at Maynooth University has a long and distinguished tradition, of over 200 years. Modern theoretical physics and applied mathematics are exciting and dynamic, and that excitement is reflected in the research projects which are pursued in the Department.
- Research themes of Quantum Physics, Condensed Matter Physics, Cosmology and Black Hole Formation and Quantum Information are central in the Physics Department.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- As a graduate with a physics and mathematical science background, you will find your analytical and problem-solving skills are in high demand in our technology and data driven society.
- Your career pathways may include:
  - research and development
  - quantitative Finance
  - machine learning & AI
  - quantum computing industry
  - computing and software engineering
  - advanced analytics
  - algorithmic trading
- Entry into research after MH201 is also an option, including multi-disciplinary fields
- The Department of Physics offers a range of postgraduate research options (MSc or PhD by research) or a Taught MSc in Theoretical Physics and Mathematics.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year
- Mathematical Physics
- Mathematics
- Choose 2 other Science subjects (Biology or Engineering Science, Chemistry, Computer Science [15 or 30 credits], Experimental Physics). Mathematical Physics cannot be taken with Chemistry in 3rd or 4th year. Students taking Engineering Science must also take Computer Science. Students may take Computer Science and not take Engineering Science. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year
- Mathematical Physics
- Choose 2 of your 1st year subjects
  or
- Specialise in Mathematical Physics and Mathematics (Pure) only - following the course structure of MH206 Theoretical Physics and Mathematics (you must achieve at least 70% in both subjects and an 80% average across both Mathematical Physics and Mathematics in first year)
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Mathematical Physics
- Choose 1 of your 2nd year subjects
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year

Final year
- Mathematical Physics may be taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major with the other subject taken in 3rd year

Sample Modules

1st year
- Mechanics 1 & Relativity
- Mechanics 2 & Modern Physics

2nd year
- Special Relativity
- Programming for Physics
- Classical Mechanics
- Electricity & Magnetism
- Quantum Physics & Mathematics
- Mathematical Methods

3rd year
- Statistical Mechanics
- Particle Physics
- Mathematical Methods (ODEs)
- Quantum Mechanics 1 & 2
- General Relativity
- Quantum Information Processing

Final year
- Statistical mechanics
- Cosmology
- Solid State Physics
- Statistical Mechanics
- Partial differential equations
- Fluid mechanics
- Quantum information processing
- Condensed matter theory

You might also like

- Mathematical Physics in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1
- MH206 BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics p. 144
- MH212 BSc Mathematics (with Education) p. 148

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Mathematics

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Degree Overview

- In the four-year MH201 degree, you can take Mathematics as a subject in the first two years and then choose between Mathematics (Applied) and Mathematics (Pure) at the beginning of third year.
- Our mathematics degrees aim to bridge the gap between school mathematics and current frontiers of knowledge. Students learn to think hard and rigorously about questions and to solve new problems – invaluable skills that can be transferred to any area of life and any future job.
- The Department offers multiple programmes to suit a range of mathematical backgrounds:
  - intensive Pure Mathematics programmes - aimed at students with a strong interest in abstract mathematics and a flair for analytical reasoning
  - more applied programmes - for students who enjoy the more concrete areas of the subject
- Mathematics is the logical and abstract study of pattern. It involves an interplay between the concrete and the abstract: the ever-changing world around us is one of the key inspirations for the invention and investigation of abstract mathematics, and the discoveries of abstract mathematics have important and unexpected applications in the world around us.
- The academic staff in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics have a diverse range of research interests in areas including algebra, analysis, data analysis, dynamics, geometry, number theory, statistical modelling and topology.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Well-trained mathematicians are always in demand. A degree in mathematics (pure or applied) from Maynooth University not only provides specialist knowledge, it also trains graduates to think logically and clearly.
- A degree in a mathematical discipline opens the door to jobs in a variety of fields such as:
  - finance and banking
  - insurance
  - the civil service
  - industrial and commercial management
  - administration and technical
  - scientific and engineering work in industry and in research and development
  - trading
  - information technology
  - education
  - data analysis
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year

- Mathematics and 3 other Science subjects (choose from Biology or Engineering Science, Chemistry, Computer Science [15 or 30 credits], Data Science, Experimental Physics & Mathematical Physics). Students taking Engineering Science must also take Computer Science. Students may take Computer Science and not take Engineering Science. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year

- Mathematics and 2 other subjects
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year

- Mathematics (Pure) or Mathematics (Applied) and 1 other subject studied in 2nd year
- Integrated Study Abroad options may be available in 3rd year depending on the student's route into Maths (Pure)

Final year

- Mathematics (Pure) or Mathematics (Applied) is taken as a Single Major or as a Double Major taking Mathematics (Pure) or Mathematics (Applied) and your 3rd year subject. Available Science subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics and Statistics as a Double Major in 3rd and 4th year.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Calculus
- Linear Algebra

2nd year

- Calculus
- Linear Algebra
- Statistics

3rd year

- **Mathematics (Applied):** Differential Equations, Complex Analysis, Number Theory, Cryptography, Coding Theory, Operations Research
- **Mathematics (Pure):** Real Analysis, Complex Analysis, Metric Spaces, Group Theory, Rings and Fields

Final year

- **Mathematics (Applied):** Graph Theory, Numerical Analysis, Geometry, Group Theory
- **Mathematics (Pure):** Topology, Galois Theory, Number Theory, Differential Geometry

You might also like

- Mathematical Studies and Mathematics (Pure) in the Bachelor of Arts MH101 - see Section 1
- MH206 BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics p. 144
- MH212 BSc Science (with Education) or BSc Mathematics (with Education) p 148

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Statistics

CAO Code: **MH201** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **346**

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Degree Overview

- Statistics deals with the collection, analysis and interpretation of data.
- Students learn how to use statistical models and visualisation methods to unlock valuable information and hidden patterns in large volumes of data.
- A degree in statistics provides students with tools to address problems of critical importance to humans such as climate change, drone analytics, biodiversity loss or designing medical products.
- Statistics is available as a subject from second to fourth year. Interested students are recommended to take Data Science as a subject in first year. Statistics is offered as a Double Major subject to degree level which can be combined with other subjects in the Bachelor of Science degree. This flexibility means students can easily combine other scientific interests with Statistics.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Complex and voluminous data arises in all aspects of science. The ability to transform data into usable scientific knowledge is a highly sought-after and desirable skill in today's workforce and in almost all scientific research areas. Studying Statistics through to degree level, or for a portion of the degree, will strongly enhance your employability and skill set as a scientist.
- Critical thinking, an ability to analyse big data and being adaptable to various work environments are among the strong skills and traits of Statistics graduates.
- Graduates have a range of career options open to them, including employment in:
  - the civil service
  - industry and business
  - scientific research
  - medical research
  - environmental research
  - financial services and actuarial roles
- Postgraduate study is also possible, and the Department offers a range of options.

MH201 Course Structure

1st year

Statistics begins as a subject in 2nd year.

In 1st year of the BSc Double Major programme, you take Mathematics with two or three other subjects. Students interested in Statistics from 2nd year are are strongly recommended to take Data Science as one of their subjects in 1st year. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201.

2nd year

In the BSc Double Major programme, you take Statistics, Mathematics and one other subject.

- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Statistics cannot be combined with Mathematical Physics in 2nd year.

3rd year

Statistics is taken in 3rd year along with 1 of your 2nd year subjects; the second subject can be, but does not have to be, Mathematics (Applied or Pure). Statistics cannot be combined with Mathematical Physics or Chemistry in 3rd year.

Final year

Statistics is available as a Double Major. Statistics can be combined with all other subjects except Mathematical Physics or Chemistry in 4th year.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Data Science 1 & 2

2nd year

- Data Analysis
- R programming for Statistics and Data Science
- Design and Analysis of Experiments
- Nonparametric Statistics

3rd year

- Probability
- Linear Models
- Data Visualisation
- Generalized Linear Models
- Time Series

Final year

- Applications of Complex Models
- Advanced R programming
- Bayesian Data Analysis
- Statistical Machine Learning
- Statistical Inference

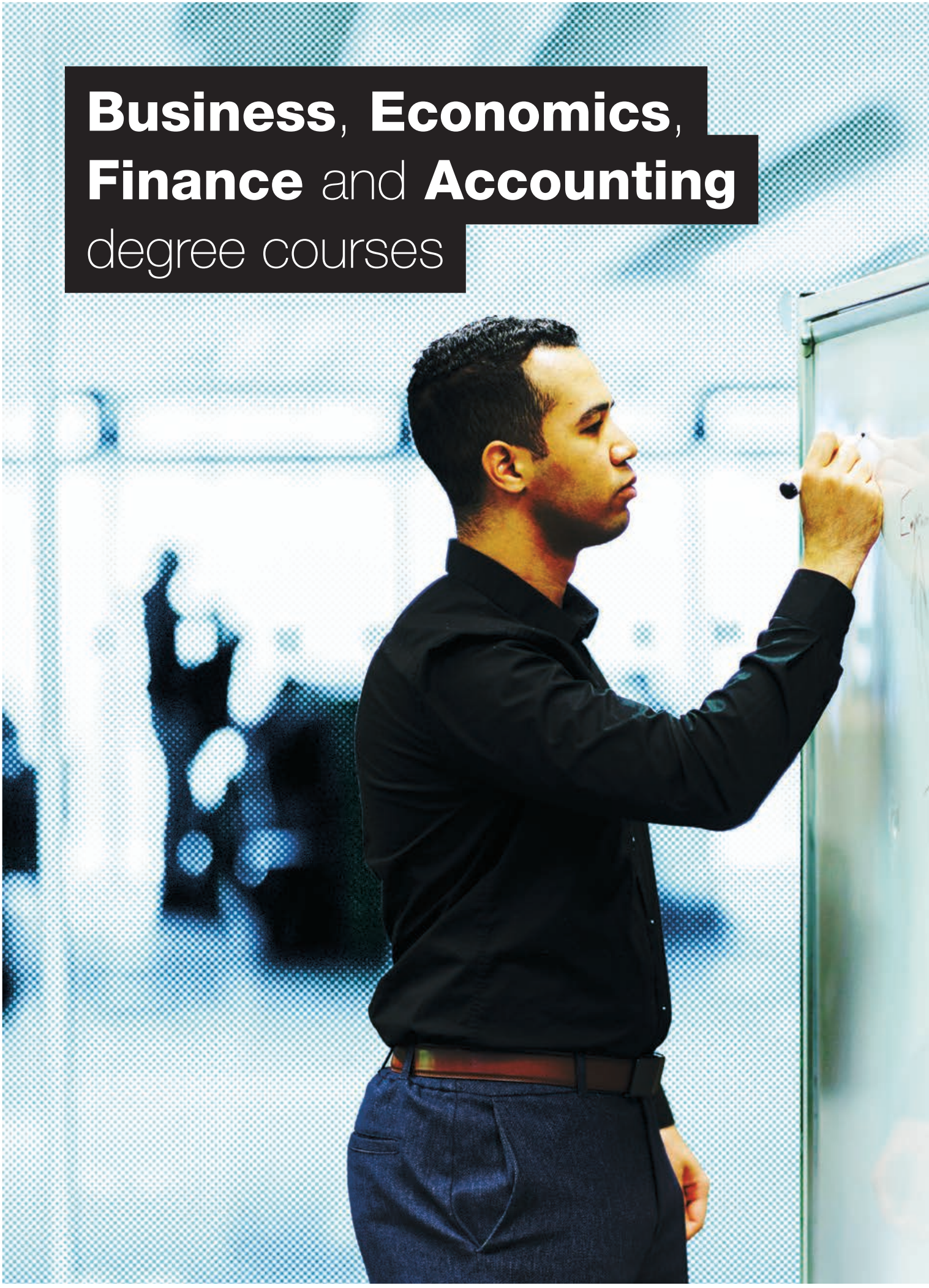
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- Statistics in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1
- MH207 BSc Data Science p. 145
- MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82

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MH502 OPC	You can choose OPC (Open choice to any degree stream) on your CAO application and make up your mind on your chosen degree stream during the first four weeks of semester one (provided you meet the minimum entry requirements for that stream).	

Accounting, Business (Management), Business (International), Business (Marketing), Economics, Finance and Law also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree MH101 - see section 1

BSc Quantitative Finance

CAO Code: **MH402** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **465**

Places: 20	**Course Length:** 4 years	**Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability	**Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability**	**Mature Applicants:** See p. 162	**QQI Link:** No	**UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165	**Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O1/H5 Mathematics	**Transfer** from MH101 into this degree - see p. 44

Degree Overview

- This programme offers a dynamic and challenging path for students aiming to pursue a career in financial markets. You will learn from leading experts across three different disciplines; Finance, Mathematics and Computer Science.
- Students have the opportunity to put theory into practice during the work placement period, and experience the day-to-day life of a professional in the financial services industry.
- You will graduate with strong skills in finance, mathematics, and computer science, preparing you for a career in financial services.
- You will also develop strong problem-solving and analytical skills that open up a wide range of career opportunities, both within the financial sector and beyond.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our graduates work in the major financial centres of the world; New York, London, Hong Kong, Dublin, and many more.
- The combination of financial, mathematical and computer science skills means you will graduate with strong numeracy and computational skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically – well equipped to succeed and prosper in the fast-changing banking and financial sector, and in a wide range of professions.
- Graduates are ideally positioned to pursue a career in:
  - → investment banking
  - → treasury management
  - → corporate finance
  - → financial engineering
  - → fintech
  - → wealth management
- Many graduates choose to continue their studies in Finance. At postgraduate level, the School offers a number of exciting options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- Finance (15 credits)
- Computer Science (15 credits)
- Mathematics and Statistics (15 credits)
- Economics (15 credits)

2nd year
- Finance and Economics (15 compulsory credits)
- Computer Science (20 compulsory credits)
- Mathematics and Statistics (15 compulsory credits)

Plus 10 optional credits from
- Finance
- Economics

or
- Mathematics

3rd year
- Finance and Economics (10 credits)
- Computer Science (10 credits)
- Mathematics (10 credits)
- Work Placement (subject to availability), Study Abroad or Research Project (30 credits)

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year
- Finance and Economics (25 compulsory credits)
- Computer Science (5 compulsory credits)
- Mathematics and Statistics (10 compulsory credits)

Plus 20 optional credits from
- Finance
- Economics
- Computer Science
- Mathematics

or
- Statistics

Sample Modules

1st year
- Finance
- Introduction to Programming
- Introduction to Statistics
- Microeconomics

2nd year
- Corporate Finance and Financial Modelling
- Databases and Operating Systems
- Calculus and Linear Algebra

3rd year
- Investments
- Computer Networks
- Financial Mathematics

Final year
- Derivatives
- Machine Learning and Neural Networks
- Financial Data Analysis
- Sustainable Finance

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- MH410 BBS/BBA Finance p. 90

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BA Accounting and Finance

CAO Code: **MH403** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **411**

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Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:	Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 44
90	3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)	Yes – subject to availability	Yes – subject to availability**	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics	

Degree Overview

- Become a highly sought-after graduate. Studying Accounting and Finance together allows students to develop excellent technical accounting skills, financial analysis, critical and strategic thinking, together with a thorough appreciation of the world of business and finance.
- The degree is recognised by the professional accountancy bodies in Ireland (Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA). As a graduate you will be exempt from the first level of their professional exams (CAP1 and equivalent) and well on the road to your professional accounting qualification, which requires you to complete a series of professional exams as well as on-the-job training.
- Avail of the option to extend your degree by pursuing a work placement in a leading accounting or finance firm, or a study year abroad. Both options enable students to combine what they learn in Maynooth University with insights into industry or another culture – subject to availability.
- Expert faculty will guide you through a dynamic, supportive, and engaging learning environment, where academic excellence is matched with real-world relevance.
- AI and emergent technologies increasingly permeate the world of business, completing routine data-processing. Work is changing. Our graduates will have the skillset to exercise judgement and interpretation in providing a higher value contribution.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- While graduates are likely to be primarily focused on a professional accountancy qualification, the numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically, which are developed on this programme, are invaluable assets in a wide range of careers. Graduates have successful and rewarding careers in accounting, banking and financial services.
- Many of our students choose postgraduate study in Accounting or Finance or Business subjects at Maynooth University. For example, completing the MA in Accounting students are exempt from the next level of professional exams, with one level of exams and completion of on-the-job training to qualify as a professional accountant.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

Accounting is the major element studied with Finance and Economics.

1st year

Students are introduced to the fundamentals of accounting and finance in 1st year with no prior knowledge required, as we teach accounting from first principles. Students develop key analytical, technical and numeracy skills which create a solid foundation to build upon in subsequent years.

2nd and Final year

In 2nd and final year you will expand and deepen your knowledge of all areas of accounting and finance as well as gain an understanding of the financial environment in which businesses operate.

Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year, thus combining what they learn in university with insights into the world of work, or another culture.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year
- Financial Accounting
- Fundamentals of Finance and Accounting
- Economics
- Mathematics
- Professional Development and Learning Skills

2nd year
- Financial Accounting
- Management and Cost Accounting
- Personal and Business Taxation
- Corporate Finance

Final year
- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Advanced Management and Cost Accounting
- Ethics and Corporate Governance
- Law
- Finance
- Sustainable Finance
- Sustainable Business & Responsible Management

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Wuraola Raheem

BBA Accounting & Finance

Audit Senior Manager, Deloitte Ireland LLP

I joined Deloitte as part of the graduate programme. My degree really opened my eyes to the real world of accounting.

BBS/BBA Business and Management

CAO Code: **MH404** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 250 (MH404)

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH404 degree stream

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 36

Degree Overview

- Choose our flagship BBS in Business and Management degree programme if you are looking for comprehensive coverage of all major elements of business and our widest range of optional modules.
- You will explore how to manage organisations in a fast-changing world and can benefit from real-world experience by going on a work placement. The optional work placement/study abroad will enable you to apply theory in practice, significantly improving employability upon graduation.
- Learn from our international and local industry experts about how to apply management best practices, and how you can make a positive difference in the lives of:
  - customers
  - employees
  - colleagues
  - organisations
  - broader society
- Students are offered exceptional flexibility and choice. This degree offers insights into all of the major functions of business, as well as the opportunity to undertake specialist options in the subjects you most enjoy. This means you may specialise based on your strengths and interests.
- The goal of the programme is to ensure our graduates leave as:
  - critical thinkers
  - confident team players
  - professionals equipped with strong knowledge of business functions with the practical skills required to thrive in today's evolving job market.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Typically, Business and Management graduates enter employment as:
  - general management
  - graduate trainees in service or manufacturing organisations
  - functional specialists in
    - marketing
    - sales
    - operations
    - management information systems
    - human resource management
- Careers in consulting, public service, and not-for-profit organisations are also popular.
- Business and Management graduates may also continue their education through the various specialist postgraduate degree programmes offered through the School of Business.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

Building the foundations of knowledge in business and management. See sample modules below.

No prior studies in business/management is required.

2nd year

- Expand your knowledge of the core disciplines and functions in business and management.
- Students take a combination of core and optional modules.
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details).
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and 3rd year and graduate after the 4th year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Deepen your understanding of business in general
- Examine how functions and theories tie together at the strategic level
- Opportunity to specialise through a choice of advanced optional modules

Sample Modules

1st year

- Microeconomics
- Accounting for Business Students
- Business Models and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management
- Business Ethics
- Professional and Learning Skills

2nd year

- Human Resource Management
- Operations and Supply Chain Management
- Management Information Systems
- Entrepreneurship
- Marketing Management
- International Business

Final year

- Strategic Management
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management
- Managing Multinational Corporations and International Corporate Entrepreneurship
- Negotiation and Dispute Resolution
- Business Analytics, Information Technology for Business, and Social Media

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Séamus Ó Catháin

BBA Business and Management

Management Associate at Bank of Ireland

My placement year at ESB built my confidence and gave me a real advantage in interviews.

BBS/BBA International Business

CAO Code: **MH404 INB** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 250 (MH404)

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH404 degree stream

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 35

Degree Overview

- Choose our International Business degree if you want a global outlook and your ambition is to work in local firms competing abroad, or in subsidiaries of foreign multinationals, located either here or abroad.
- The optional work placement/study abroad will enable you to apply theory in practice, significantly improving employability upon graduation.
- You will:
  - learn how organisations of all sizes internationalise their operations
  - develop an understanding of the theory and practice of international business management
  - learn how business is conducted across the globe
  - learn how to exploit opportunities in the global market
  - develop key skills for lifelong learning including people management skills
  - analyse and think critically about solving business problems in an international environment
  - explore how to respond to global social, economic, political, legal, and technological changes
- Enjoy exceptional choice and flexibility with:
  - modules that build core business management knowledge
  - specialised modules focusing on the international dimensions of business
- Students who are interested in taking International Business with a language might wish to consider MH409. See page 89.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This degree equips graduates with the skills necessary to be employed by multi-national companies, work in different countries, offering a range of exciting experiences, new knowledge, and other benefits that enhance careers. In today's interconnected world, business is conducted differently across cultures. The broad range of business skills developed in this programme can lead to diverse and rewarding careers.
- Graduates will be well suited to employment such as:
  - in an Irish operation of a major multinational
  - with Irish companies who supply to international customers
  - helping organisations to internationalise and grow
  - managing a diverse workforce
  - supply chain operations
  - opportunities at a policy level
  - working for national organisations to promote Ireland as a destination for inward investment
  - for internationalising Irish business
  - multinational operations in other countries
- Many of our students have also gone on to further study and the School offers a range of postgraduate options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Introduction to contemporary organisations in an international context
- Modules focusing on the fundamentals of business - see below

2nd year

- Focus on managing people and organisations when conducting business in international environments
- Core modules in International Business
- A wide range of Business options will be available to you, including Marketing, Information Systems, and Operations Management
- Elective option (see p. 18 for details)
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and 3rd year and graduate after the 4th year

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Final year

Customise your degree

- Study International Business topics including how multinational businesses operate at a strategic level
- You will also have the opportunity to choose from a wide range of options

Sample Modules

1st year

- Global Business and Marketing
- Accounting for Business Students
- Professional and Learning Skills
- Introduction to Business Ethics
- Macroeconomics
- Organisational Behaviour and Management

2nd year

- International Business
- Entrepreneurship, Theory, Processes & Practices
- International Management
- Operations and Supply Chain Management
- Human Resource Management
- Digital Marketing

Final year

- Managing Multinational Corporations
- Strategic Management
- Innovation Management: Tools and Concepts
- Groups, Organisational Development & Change
- Global Supply Chain Management
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management
- Strategy Simulation

You might also like

- MH416 BA International Economics p. 94

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BBS/BBA Marketing

CAO Code: **MH404 MKT** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 250 (MH404)

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH404 degree stream

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 37

Degree Overview

- Choose this degree if you want to learn how to work with a wide range of both established and emerging marketing tools and channels, including:
  - digital and social media marketing
  - influencer marketing
  - the evolving roles of AI and metaverse applications in modern marketing
- You will develop core marketing skills, and a thorough understanding of how the marketing function fits into a wider organisational context.
- The optional work placement/study abroad will enable you to apply theory in practice, significantly improving employability upon graduation.
- This degree also helps you to
  - understand where, when, and how to spend marketing budget to greatest effect
  - plan market research
  - develop strategic marketing plans
  - create persuasive communications, while considering the needs of a multicultural, international business environment
  - understand how marketing interacts with the operations and strategy of a firm as a whole
- You will learn from local and international experts who bring extensive experience and profound insights into the practicality and complexity of the Marketing subject in areas such as:
  - online retailing
  - digital marketing
  - SME (small and medium enterprises) marketing
  - consumer behaviour
- Enjoy exceptional choice and flexibility with:
  - modules that build core business management knowledge
  - specialised modules focusing on the marketing dimension

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Business graduates are consistently among the most employable in the Irish education system and graduates can expect to take up roles in:
  - marketing
  - digital marketing
  - social media management
  - sales
  - consulting in Irish or international organisations in different industries
  - the public sector - state agencies, voluntary organisations, the civil service, charities, NGOs (non-governmental organisations)
- By studying marketing, students gain knowledge and skills that can help them in any business-related career, because they understand the view of the final customer.
- Many of our students have also gone on to further study and the School offers a range of postgraduate options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

Core marketing topics along with a range of introductory Business modules- see sample modules below

2nd year

- Master the management functions of Marketing through a range of modules - see samples below
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details).
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Develop a strategic approach to the marketing function - see sample modules below

Sample Modules

1st year

- Marketing & Management
- Business Landscapes and
- Introduction to Managing Innovation
- Consumer Behaviour

2nd year

- Marketing Management and Brand Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications and Digital Marketing
- International Business, Human Resource Management, and Introduction to Management Information Systems

Final year

- Contemporary Issues in Marketing and International Marketing
- Social Media and Business Analytics
- International Corporate Entrepreneurship

You might also like

- Business (International / Management / Marketing) in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures

CAO Code: **MH404 BGC/IGC/MGC** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 250 (MH404)

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH404 degree stream

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 34

Degree Overview

If you are fascinated by business in the complex and diverse world around us, then this is the degree for you!

- Students choose from one of three Business subjects (Management, Marketing or International Business) which they can combine with an array of Global Cultures modules, covering topics such as:
  - exploring cultures in global contexts
  - urbanisation
  - science and technology in society
  - security
  - consumption and sustainability
  - user experience and service innovation
- The optional work placement/study abroad will enable you to apply theory in practice, significantly improving employability upon graduation.
- This unique programme brings together expertise from Ireland's youngest and most dynamic School of Business and the Republic's only Department of Anthropology. You will learn from experts who bring diverse and deep international and local insights into the real-world complexities of business and global cultures.
- An essential challenge for businesses in Ireland is how they can connect the capabilities of our workforce to contribute to solutions for people who are largely in markets outside Ireland, across the EU and the wider global community.
- Business needs graduates who can both understand the fundamentals of how to create value for customers and also how to translate them into solutions and services that fit the needs of diverse cultures.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of this programme, with their combined expertise in business and global cultures, are highly employable across a range of sectors - typical career paths include:
  - graduate programmes with multinational companies
  - roles in public service
  - opportunities in small and medium-sized enterprises
  - roles where businesses are focused on international growth or cross-cultural collaboration
- Some graduates pursue further study and the School of Business and the Department of Anthropology both offer a range of options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of the business subject of your choice giving you a foundational knowledge of your business subject
- 30 Global Cultures credits to develop inter-cultural skills through an understanding of human diversity and difference

2nd year

- Learn the functional capabilities of your business subject, including some optional choices.
- Learn how to systematically observe, interpret and describe the world around you.
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Business subject: you will develop your understanding of the strategic aspects of running a business or service, as well as advanced skills in your chosen subject
- Study the transnational flows and mobilities of culture, ideas, media, technology, and finance, which impact on people's lives

Sample Modules

1st year

Your topics will vary depending on your Business subject choice:

- Consumer Research & Marketing
- Accounting & Economics
- Material, Digital and Visual Worlds
- States, Markets & Global Development Challenges

2nd year

You will study different aspects of Business & Global Cultures such as:

- Human Resource Management
- Digital Marketing
- Marketing Management
- Global Health, Sustainability & Development
- Ethnographic Research & Storytelling

Final year

You will continue to develop your knowledge with options such as

- Strategic Management
- International Marketing and Innovation
- Globalisation, Science, Technology & Society
- User Experience and Service Innovation

You might also like

- Anthropology / Business (International / Management / Marketing) in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BBS/BBA Business and Accounting

CAO Code: **MH407** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **401**

Accredited by Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA

Places: 50

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 36

Degree Overview

- This degree provides a foundation for entering the accounting profession and other areas of business.
- Recognised by the professional accountancy bodies in Ireland (Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA), upon successful completion of this degree you will be exempt from the first level of their professional exams (CAP1 and equivalent) and well on the road to your professional accounting qualification, which requires you to complete a series of professional exams as well as on-the-job training.
- Studying Business and Accounting together allows students to develop excellent technical accounting skills, financial analysis, critical and strategic thinking, along with a thorough appreciation of the world of business.
- AI and emergent technologies increasingly permeate the world of business, completing routine data-processing. Work is changing. Our graduates will have the skillset to exercise judgement and interpretation in providing a higher value contribution.
- Expert faculty will guide you through a dynamic, supportive, and engaging learning environment, where academic excellence is matched with real-world relevance.
- Students have the option of taking a work placement or study abroad year, thus combining what they learn in university with insights into industry or another culture.
- Students who complete the Masters in Accounting at Maynooth University are exempt from the next level of professional exams, with one level of exams and completion of on-the-job training to qualify as a professional accountant.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- While graduates are likely to be primarily focused on a professional accountancy qualification, the numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically, which are developed on this programme, are invaluable assets in a wide range of careers.
- Our graduates enjoy rewarding careers in accounting, banking, consulting, financial services, financial research, general management, public service and teaching.
- Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in Accounting or wide range of Business subjects at Maynooth University.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

Accounting is taken jointly with Business for the three years of the programme.

No prior knowledge of accounting is required, as we teach it from first principles.

Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and 3rd year and graduate after the 4th year, thus combining what they learn in university with insights into the world of work or another culture.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Graduates of the BBS Business and Accounting degree are exempt from the first level of the professional examinations (CAP 1 examinations from Chartered Accountants Ireland and equivalent examination papers from the ACCA and the CIMA professional accounting bodies).

Sample Modules

1st year

- Financial Accounting
- Fundamentals of Finance and Accounting
- Microeconomics
- Business Models and Marketing
- Professional and Learning Skills
- Organisational Behaviour and Management

2nd year

- Financial Accounting
- Management and Cost Accounting
- Taxation
- Corporate Finance
- Operations and Supply Chain
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing Management

Final year

- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Advanced Management and Cost Accounting
- Law
- Finance
- Strategy Simulation
- Strategic Management
- Sustainable Business and Responsible Management

You might also like

- Accounting, Business (International / Management / Marketing) in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BBA Business and Languages

CAO Code: **MH409** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **401**

Accredited by Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA (Accounting stream)

Places: 40

Course Length: 4 years with 1-year placement or Erasmus study period abroad

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – integrated

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics. **Non-beginner** Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Spanish: Leaving Cert H4 recommended. **Beginner** Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Spanish: no previous study required.

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 36

Degree Overview

- This degree offers you the widest range of business and languages of any university degree in Ireland, and no previous study of either business or the chosen language is required:
  - ➜ choose one business subject (Accounting*, Business Management, International Business or Marketing)
  - ➜ choose one language (Chinese, French, German or Spanish)
- You have up to four weeks at the beginning of semester one to choose your preferred business and language options - find the subjects that best match your interests and aptitude. If beginning a new language, it is advisable to attend all lectures from the beginning of semester one.
- In third year, students must undertake a year of study or an international internship in a country where their target language is spoken (subject to availability). This allows for learning to be put into practice which significantly improves graduate employability. Most businesses in Ireland and Europe trade internationally across languages and so these skills are highly sought after.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- A combination of excellent skills in both business and a foreign language means that graduates are highly employable in all business sectors and in many international organisations:
  - ➜ large multinational employers - in their graduate programmes
  - ➜ small or medium-sized organisations, where they will be able to contribute to the growth of the business both domestically and on the international stage
  - ➜ language skills mean that graduates will be able to work as a bridge between the English-speaking world and the cultures of their chosen language, whether that's in an export-orientated firm in Ireland or for a company anywhere in the world
- Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in a very wide range of business, accounting and finance subjects at Maynooth University.

*Please note that due to timetabling, Accounting can only be combined with German or Spanish. All other business subjects can be combined with the four languages. Accounting stream students can avail of exemptions (upon graduation, and subject to conditions) from CAP 1 examinations from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland, and equivalent examination papers from the ACCA and CIMA professional accounting bodies.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

You will take 30 credits of the business subject of your choice. This will provide you with a foundational knowledge of your business subject. Beginner (30 credits) and non-beginner (15 credits) options are available in French, German, Spanish and Chinese. Students who take a language at non-beginner level (15 credits) also take the relevant Language and Culture modules (15 credits).

You also have the option of taking one or two non-beginner (post Leaving Certificate H4 or higher) languages in 1st year.

2nd year

For business, second year is about learning the functional capabilities of your subject, including some optional choices. As a language student, you will have a twin focus on language and culture. Your language skills will continue to be developed through small-group teaching, and you will be able to choose from a wide range of different options to hone your intercultural awareness.

3rd year

You will take a year of study abroad in one of our partner universities or undertake an international internship (subject to availability). Study abroad will offer you the opportunity to develop your language and cultural skills. You will have an opportunity to strengthen your language skills by living and studying through the target language, and you will also be able to take modules in other language, cultural, business or alternative subjects.

Students may wish to undertake an international internship in the country where their target language is spoken (not guaranteed and subject to approval). Students may also qualify for funding through the Erasmus+ internship programme.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

In your business subject, this is the year in which you will develop your understanding of the strategic aspects of running a business, as well as advanced skills in your chosen subject, including a range of optional and core modules. In your language, you will build on your experience abroad to develop a high degree of fluency and accuracy, and you will continue to develop your creative, analytical, and critical thinking through engaging with cultural studies.

Sample Modules

1st year

Your business topics will vary depending on your subject choice. In Marketing, for example, you will learn about consumer behaviour and market analysis. In Accounting, you will learn the basics of financial accounting. In Management, you will learn about business models, and how to manage people, amongst others. In your language you will study either beginners' or continuing French/German/Spanish/Chinese.

2nd year

Examples of business topics include management accounting, international management, human resource management, operations and supply chain management, and digital marketing, amongst others. In your language, you will be able to choose from a range of modules, including linguistics and language studies, film and literary studies, and language for business.

Final year

Examples of business topics include advanced management and cost accounting, strategic management, management information systems, innovation, and international marketing, amongst others. In your language, you will be able to choose from a range of modules, including advanced linguistics, film studies, politics and the media, literary analysis and translation.

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BBS/BBA Finance

CAO Code: **MH410** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 40

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English, and O4/ H7 Mathematics

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 44

Degree Overview

- Finance opens doors to a wide range of careers, from investment banking and financial analysis to consultancy, entrepreneurship, and more. If you enjoy problem-solving and working with numbers, this degree will give you a thorough understanding of how financial systems operate, covering asset pricing, international market dynamics, and the impact of government policy on global markets, while also exploring areas shaping the future of the industry such as sustainability finance, machine learning, and data-driven financial analysis.
- You will develop your skills using the same tools as industry professionals, including Bloomberg terminals and other leading data platforms. This hands-on experience with real market data builds the kind of practical analytical capability that employers actively look for in graduates.
- In third year, you can choose between a work placement in the financial services industry, in Ireland or internationally (subject to availability), or a semester studying abroad at one of our partner universities. Ireland is home to one of Europe's largest financial services sectors, and our graduates are well positioned to take advantage of opportunities both at home and across the globe.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Finance graduates have strong numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically, qualities that are highly valued across a wide range of professions. While MH410 is a new degree, Maynooth has a long history of producing finance graduates who can be found in major financial centres around the world, from New York and London to Hong Kong, Dublin and many more.
- Popular careers include investment banking, stockbroking, consultancy, corporate finance, journalism, financial research, and roles within the finance units of private and public sector organisations.
- Graduates who wish to specialise further can continue studying finance at postgraduate level in the School of Business.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

You will study Finance, Economics and Business as the major elements of your degree. First year includes

- 15 credits of Finance
- 15 credits of Economics
- 15 credits of Business
- 7.5 credits of Mathematics
- 7.5 credits of either Business or Mathematics

2nd year and Final year

You will start to specialise with core modules in corporate finance, financial management, economics and financial markets and begin to analyse financial data. You will also have an introduction to Accounting.

You will have a choice of optional modules from Business, Economics, Mathematics and Taxation.

At the end of 2nd year, you can choose to take a work placement in industry or study abroad for a year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

In final year, you focus on investments, derivatives and sustainable finance and build your analytical skills with additional modules in financial analysis. You will also have optional modules in Business and Economics.

Sample Modules

1st year
Money, Markets & Investments, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Business Models and Marketing.

2nd year
Corporate Finance, Financial Markets & Institutions, Financial Modelling

Final year
Derivatives, Sustainable Finance, Financial Data Analysis
Empirical Finance

You might also like

- MH402 BSc Quantitative Finance p. 82
- MH403 BA Accounting & Finance p. 83

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BBS/BBA Entrepreneurship

CAO Code: **MH411** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **360**

Places: 30	**Course Length:** 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad)	**Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability	**Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability**	**Mature Applicants:** See p. 162	**QQI Link:** See p. 163	**UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165	**Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- This programme nurtures entrepreneurial thinking and equips students with the skills and knowledge to succeed in the wider business world or to launch their own ventures.
- Students learn the process in which entrepreneurs generate ideas for new businesses and existing businesses shape them into opportunities supported by business models and frameworks.
- This degree enables you to develop relevant skills in creative problem solving, diagnostics, communications, and project management. Graduates emerge with functional and strategic capabilities that contribute to business success.
- The learning experience of this programme is designed to be formative, creative and dynamic, providing students with both in-class and industry engagement and learning.
- Entrepreneurship students at Maynooth University are offered insights into all of the major functions of business, as well as the opportunity to undertake specialist options in the subjects that they most enjoy and that they feel support their development as entrepreneurs.
- You also have the option of taking a four year degree which includes a work placement or study year abroad (subject to availability). This offers an opportunity to gain experience in industry and/ or learning within another culture.
- This degree also offers students a fantastic opportunity to build their business network through academic engagement as well as through extra-curricular engagements in our thriving societies such as the Maynooth University Entrepreneurial Society, ENACTUS and the Business Society.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Business graduates consistently rank among the most employable in Ireland. Entrepreneurship graduates have diverse career pathways available across the private, public, and third sectors.
- Popular fields include consulting, research and design, public service, and not-for-profit organisations.
- Graduates gain work within an existing business or start up their own business - building upon their own entrepreneurial ideas that have been developed and supported throughout the duration of the degree.
- Entrepreneurship is also global in nature so the opportunity to stay local or to work abroad is also an option.
- Many of our graduates choose to specialise further with a postgraduate degree. The School of Business offers a range of postgraduate programmes for Business students.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Focus on the core processes of innovation set within the context of large to small firms.

2nd year

- Focus on the functions of Business and Entrepreneurship
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Focus on strategy development and scaling of small businesses to international corporations
- Consideration of both local and international environments

Sample Modules

1st year

- Managing Innovation
- Business Models & Marketing
- Accounting for Business Students
- SME Entrepreneurship

2nd year

- Entrepreneurship Theory, Processes and Practices
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing Management
- International Business

Final year

- Social Entrepreneurship
- International Corporate Entrepreneurship
- Sustainable Business & Responsible Management
- Innovation Management: Tools & Concepts

You might also like

- Business (International / Management / Marketing) in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1
- MH305 BSc Product Design and Innovation p. 125

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BSc/BBA Business with Sport Science

CAO Code: **MH412** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **451**

Places: 35

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- Choose the only programme that allows students to combine a full business degree with sports science. MH412 provides you with the unique option of combining Business with sports related content - from practical exercise skills to the science behind human performance and well-being.
- If your ambition is to work in the growing and diverse range of businesses in the area of sports, exercise and well-being, this is the degree for you.
- At the end of second year, you have the opportunity to undertake an accredited business work placement (subject to availability), in Ireland or abroad, which is your chance to put learning into practice and which significantly improves employability upon graduation.
- Alternatively students can pursue Erasmus/Study abroad at the end of the second year.
- The sports, exercise and well-being sector is one of the largest service industries in Ireland and globally. Ranging from small to large enterprises, many are run by sports professionals. These businesses need graduates who can understand:
  - → both the science and practicalities of the sports and exercise sector
  - → the fundamentals of how to create value and make a profit - via services and solutions that meet a variety of customers' needs

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This is a rapidly growing sector, and there is a demand for graduates that bridge the fields of business and sports. Graduates that have both a deep insight into how to create value for businesses (through business skills) and the science of sports exercise find roles in:
  - → large multinational employers in graduate programmes
  - → public service roles
  - → small and medium sized organisations where you are able to work on contributing to the businesses, domestically and globally
  - → the sports and exercise market - from small local enterprises to large companies that operate sporting enterprises or that supply services to the sports, exercise and health sectors
- Many enjoy sporting activities, but sports and exercise are well known to have mental and physiological benefits. In combination with the business modules, this programme will allow students to understand how sports and exercise can impact on health, allowing graduates to explore how this can be translated into new services and solutions.
- Students can continue to further postgraduate study in a wide range of Business subjects at Maynooth University.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Business - foundational knowledge of your business subject
- 15 credits of the sports science modules
- 15 credits of another first year subject (Groups 1, 3 or 4 - see p. 29)

2nd year

- Business - the functional capabilities of your subject, including some optional choices
- 20 credits of sports science modules

Optional additional year

Business work placement or study abroad year between 2nd year and the final year; and graduate after the 4th year.
**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Business - develop your understanding of the strategic aspects of running a business or service, as well as advanced skills in your chosen Business subject
- 20 credits of Sports Science modules

Sample Modules

1st year

- Business Models and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management
- Fundamentals of Coaching and Exercise Science
- Functional Anatomy

2nd year

- Human Resource Management
- Brand Management
- Strength and Conditioning
- Introduction to Biomechanics

Final year

- Strategic Marketing in Sport
- Strategic Management
- Sports Injuries
- Exercise for Health

Yasmin Browne

BSc Business with Sport Science

I gained in-depth theoretical and practical experience in both business and sport science which I apply in my role today managing client retention, nutrition, coaching and performance.

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BSc Economics

CAO Code: **MH415** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **422**

Places: 15

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/ Study Abroad). Integrated MSc Economics option.

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O1/ H5 Mathematics. Leaving Certificate Economics **IS NOT REQUIRED OR EXPECTED**

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 42

Degree Overview

- This is the first integrated BSc/MSc degree in Economics in Ireland, resulting in a BSc degree after three years or an MSc degree after four years.
- After second year, you will have the option to add a year-long accredited placement in Ireland or abroad to your degree.
- This degree suits students who enjoy Maths and want to apply their analytical ability to pressing socioeconomic challenges such as poverty, housing, cost of living pressures, financial instability, gender and racial inequality and the effects of climate change.
- As a BSc Economics student, you will learn how to:
  - take a rigorous, evidence-based approach to designing policies that address key economic and social problems
  - do independent research from first year - developing your capacity for critical thinking and problem solving
  - analyse data - data analysis skills are developed steadily over the course of the degree
- Throughout the degree, students take modules from a variety of disciplines such as sociology, geography, law and statistics. This allows you to develop alternative perspectives on societal issues.
- Students benefit from a personal academic advisor mentor who guides them throughout their studies.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- According to Forbes, economics graduates earn very competitive salaries on average compared to most other fields. PayScale reports significant wage growth over the first ten years of a career, nearly doubling entry-level salaries.
- This degree was developed in response to demand from employers in all sectors – from government to financial services to retail firms – who have a growing need for economists who can analyse and interpret data.
- BSc Economics graduates have the tools to become key players in business and in public policy and enjoy wide career choices including:
  - consultant
  - fund manager
  - investment banker
  - urban planner
  - journalist
  - teacher
  - policy maker
- Students are entitled to automatically progress to the MSc Economics if they choose. This will provide the additional option of working as a **professional economist** in, for example
  - economic consultancies
  - policy institutes
  - the Central Bank
  - various government departments
- Other postgraduate study options include finance, business, international development, public policy, public administration and data science.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Economics
- You will take two 15-credit subjects (typically two modules in each subject) outside of Economics - at most one from each group. Choose your two subjects (one of which may be Critical Skills) from Subject Groups 1, 3 (excluding Mathematical Studies) or 5. Maximum one subject per Subject Group (see groups table p. 29).

2nd year

- 60 credits of Economics including 40 required credits and a range of optional modules - see modules below
- "BSc Team Project" (5 credits included in required modules)
- Optional work placement after 2nd year: You will have the option to add a year-long accredited placement in Ireland or abroad to your degree.

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- Optional Erasmus/Study Abroad after 2nd year.

3rd year

- 50 credits of Economics including 15 required credits and a range of optional modules - see samples below
- 10 credits: year-long BSc Economics Thesis

Following 3rd year, from BSc Economics, students can automatically continue with the MSc Economics Programme should they perform at the required level i.e. 55% overall in the BSc degree. This results in a MSc degree after four years.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, History of Economic Thought, Econometrics/Statistics, Quantitative Analysis
- Research skills module titled "Exploring Economics"

2nd year & 3rd year

Required modules include:

- Intermediate Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, Econometrics II, Statistical Computing with R, Corporate Finance, Advanced Quantitative Methods
- Advanced Microeconomics (Game Theory) and Macroeconomics, Applied Econometrics

Optional modules include:

- Optional Economics modules: Money & Banking, International Trade, Economics of the Labour Market, Health Economics, and Sports Economics

You can take optional modules outside of Economics from a wide selection such as: Digital Ethics, Environmental Sociology & Climate Change, Irish Politics and Society.

You might also like

- Economics in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1
- MH416 BA International Economics p. 94

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BA International Economics

CAO Code: **MH416** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **402**

Places: 15

Course Length: 4 years (placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad in year 3)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics. **Non-beginner** Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Spanish: Leaving Cert H4 recommended. **Beginner** Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Spanish: no previous study required. Leaving Certificate Economics **IS NOT REQUIRED OR EXPECTED**

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 42

Degree Overview

- Prepare for employment in the competitive and dynamic field of international economics by learning how the international economic system works:
  - how goods and assets are traded
  - how international markets are linked
  - how government decisions affect the economy
  - how financial markets respond
- Study Economics, Mathematics and a choice of subjects providing an international perspective in first year, then continue with Economics only, or take a major in Economics and a minor in your other subject.
- In third year, you can benefit from practical international experience by working and/or studying abroad (or working in an internationally-orientated company in Ireland – all subject to availability).
- Students take key Finance modules in second and fourth year to learn how the financial system affects the global economy.
- Throughout the degree, you will develop an understanding of the economic principles underlying markets of all kinds – financial markets, labour markets and goods markets.
- The opportunity to write a thesis in final year allows you to apply your accumulated analytical skills and develop your capacity for research and critical thinking.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- International Economics graduates have strong numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically – invaluable assets in a wide range of professions including:
  - the banking and financial services industry
  - economic consultancy
  - finance units of public and private sector organisations
  - financial research
  - journalism
  - teaching
- Postgraduate degree holders are also to be found working in financial institutions, both public and private, in Dublin, London, New York and around the globe. Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in a range of economics-related programmes.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of International Economics, which includes Economics, mathematical and statistical modules
- 15 or 30 credits of 1 or 2 of the following subjects: a language (Chinese Studies*, French*, German*, Spanish*); Computer Science; International Business; Geography; Law; Politics; and Critical Skills

*Beginners language programmes available. This requires 30 credits in the language (Mandarin Chinese, French, German or Spanish).

Students who wish to keep open the option of a minor in Maths in Year 2 should select specific modules. See Course Finder for details.

2nd year

Choose between 2 possible routes:

- Single Major in International Economics
- Major/Minor with International Economics as the Major and either Maths Studies or another one of the 1st year subjects as a Minor (excluding International Business). Approximately one third of a student's time is spent on the Minor.

Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year

- Work or Study Abroad or placement in an internationally orientated firm in Ireland (subject to availability). If a suitable placement cannot be found, the student may continue directly into the final year, obtaining a single major or major/minor BA Bachelor of Arts in Economics.

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Final year

Back on the Maynooth University campus taking the Single Major or Major/Minor (depending on the 2nd year option chosen).

Sample Modules

1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Final year
Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Quantitative Methods, Mathematics, Statistics	Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics I, Information Economics, History of Economic Thought, Money and Banking, Financial Modelling	Work or Study Abroad or placement in an internationally orientated firm in Ireland (subject to availability). If a suitable placement cannot be found, the student may continue directly into the final year, obtaining a single major or major/minor BA Bachelor of Arts in Economics.	Advanced Microeconomics (Game Theory) and Macroeconomics, Investments, Behavioural Economics, International Financial Markets & Institutions, Econometrics II, Economics of the EU, International Trade, Economics Thesis

You might also like

- MH415 BSc Economics - see p. 93
- Economics in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BCL (Law and Accounting)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWA** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Accredited by Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA

Accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns

Places: 200 (MH502)

Course Length: 3 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English & 04/H7 Mathematics*
*Students admitted to MH502 are required to have minimum O4/H7 Mathematics to register for LWA

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply)

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject - in this case accounting.
- This three-year degree is jointly accredited by both the legal and accounting professions. Avail of exemptions (upon graduation) from:
  - CAP 1 examinations from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland
  - equivalent examinations from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) professional accounting bodies
  - equivalent CTA examinations from the Irish Tax Institute (ITI)
- Students will gain a strong grounding in both law and accounting subjects. For the three years of this programme, students take Law and Accounting in equal measure, making this degree particularly attractive for those considering a career in either of these fields.
- You can apply for a work placement in a law or accounting firm, or for a year studying abroad, during your degree (subject to availability).
- You will acquire key financial and accounting skills alongside a thorough grounding in core law subjects.
- Become a highly sought-after law and accounting graduate with the technical and transferable skills needed to succeed in your chosen career. Enhance your employability by developing your faculties for argument, reasoning and for the analysis of complicated ideas.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Embark on the route to becoming a professional in accounting or law, both of which offer a rewarding career with international mobility and high earning potential:
  - accounting – you will be in a position to enter professional training and avail of exemptions from professional tax and accounting bodies
  - law – you will be eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor) and the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister).
- The numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically, which are developed on this programme, are invaluable assets in a wide range of careers. Graduates have successful and rewarding careers in accounting, banking and the financial services sector generally, as well as financial research and teaching.
- Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in a very wide range of Law, Business, Accounting and Finance subjects at Maynooth University.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

- Accounting is taken jointly with Law for the three years of the programme, with a wide range of accounting and legal subjects being studied.
- Students take the core modules required for professional legal and accounting careers, but also choose from a range of optional modules. No prior knowledge of accounting or law is required, as we teach both subjects from first principles.
- A number of modules focus on developing critical skills (legal writing, advocacy, financial literacy and communication skills).
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year. Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules, like Criminal Law, Contract Law, Introduction to Accounting, and Fundamentals of Finance
- Critical skills modules, like Legal Research Methods
- Practical skills, participating in mock trials

2nd year

- Core modules, like Company Law, EU Law, Financial and Management Accounting and Taxation
- Critical skills, analysing materials in tutorials and seminars
- Practical skills, like participating in negotiation

Final year

- Core modules, like Property Law, Equity, Management Accounting, Financial Accounting and Finance
- Critical skills, analysing the philosophy of law, and the ethics of corporate governance
- Choose from a range of options, including Media Law, Employment Law, and Environmental Law

You might also like

- Specialised Accounting degrees - see section 3
- Other BCL Law degrees and our LLB degree - see section 8
- Accounting and Law as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BCL (Law and Business)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWB** | CAO Points 2026: **400**

Accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns

Places: 200 (MH502) | **Course Length:** 3 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability | **Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability** | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165 | **Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English & 04/H7 Mathematics* *Students admitted to MH502 are required to have minimum O4/H7 Mathematics to register for LWB | **OPC (Open Choice Option):** Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply) | **Transfer** from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject - in this case business.
- This degree is accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns.
- Students have the option of taking a four-year degree with a work placement or study year abroad (subject to availability), thus combining what they learn in university with insights into industry (legal or commercial) or another culture.
- The combination of both law and business allows students to develop a thorough understanding of both disciplines, and is ideal for those who may wish to run their own practice, to work in a setting where law is applied, to work in a business itself, or to practice commercial law.
- Business is the way by which every product and service you use in daily life is developed, promoted and delivered on the global stage. This degree provides students with insights into the core functions of business and how they interact to create value for and capture value from clients and customers.
- Our law and business students are offered unparalleled flexibility and choice. Students who successfully complete first year can choose from the following options:
  - ➔ continue in MH502 BCL Law and Business
  - ➔ transfer into the second year of the LLB degree (MH501)
  - ➔ transfer into the second year of the BBS Business and Management degree (MH404)
- The BCL focuses on developing students' faculties for argument and reasoning, for clear thinking, for the analysis of complicated ideas and for understanding the commercial context in which the law operates. Graduates are equipped with an excellent skill-set that enhances employability and career options.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This degree combines the best elements of the University's degrees in business and in law to ensure students graduate with the maximum range of career options:
  - ➔ graduates are eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor)
  - ➔ graduates are eligible to take the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister)
  - ➔ business graduates are consistently among the most employable in the Irish education system. This degree opens a range of career options in the commercial world such as in general management, service, IT and management organisations, consulting, journalism, policy development, the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector, and national and international public administration.
- Both the School of Business and the School of Law and Criminology offer a range of postgraduate programmes in related fields.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

- Business is taken jointly with Law for the three years of the programme, with a wide range of business and legal subjects being studied.
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year. Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

- Students who successfully complete the 1st year of the programme have the option of transferring into the 2nd year of the LLB degree (MH501) or 2nd year of the BBS Business and Management degree (MH404). An introductory accounting module must be taken in semester 1 of 2nd year (in the case of the latter degree).

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules, like Business Models and Marketing, and Criminal Law
- Critical skills modules like Legal Research Methods, and Managing Innovation
- Practical skills, participating in mock trials

2nd year

- Core modules, like Company Law, EU Law, Human Resource Management, and Data Management Skills
- Develop critical analysis skills in tutorials and seminars

Final year

- Core modules, like Property Law, Equity, Strategic Management, and Sustainable Business Management
- Critical skills, like analysing the philosophy of law
- Choose from a range of optional modules including Innovation Management, Media Law, Environmental Law, Contemporary Issues in Marketing, and Project Management

You might also like

- MH101 Law and Business as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1
- Our full range of specialised Law degrees - see section 8

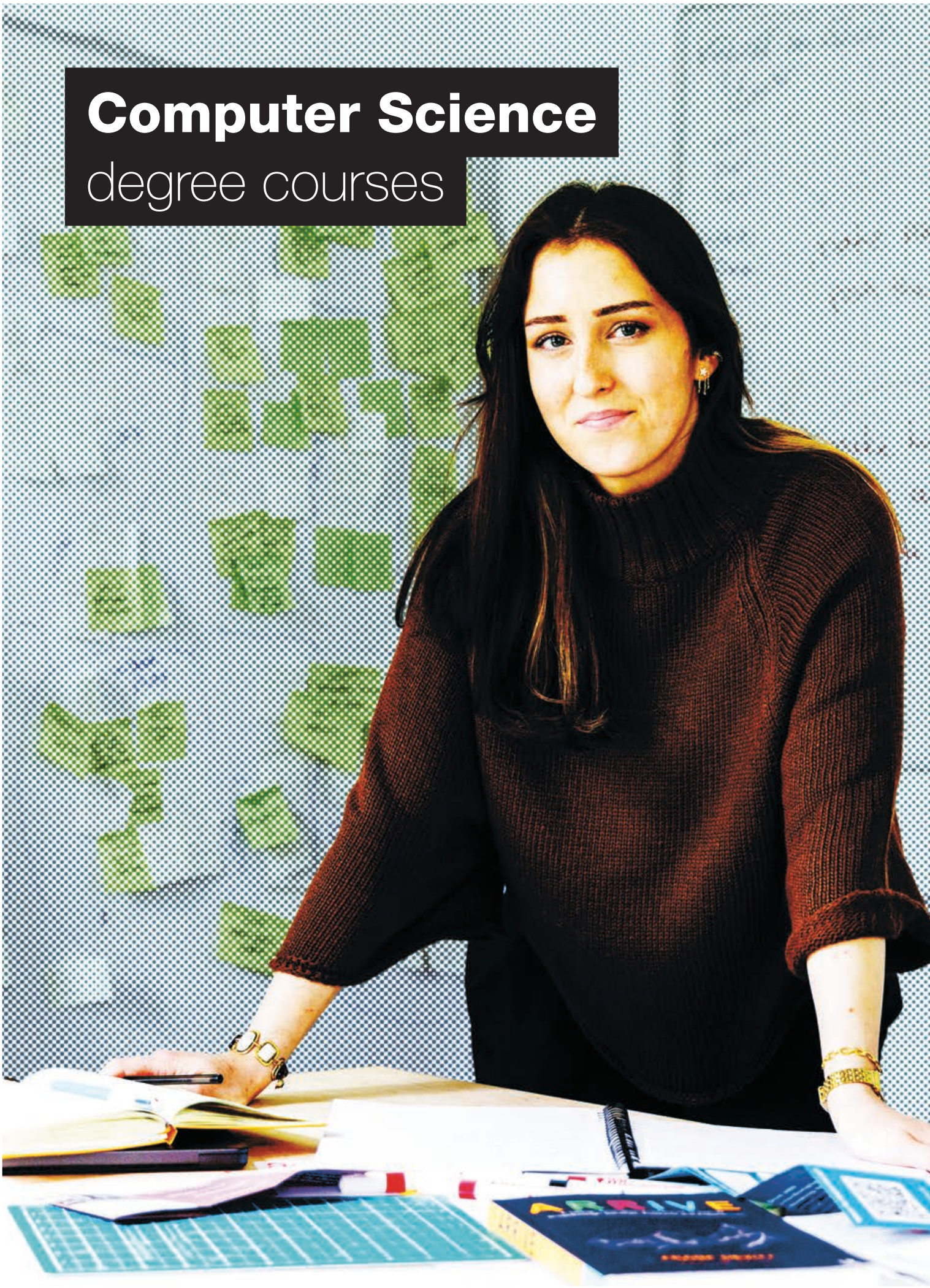
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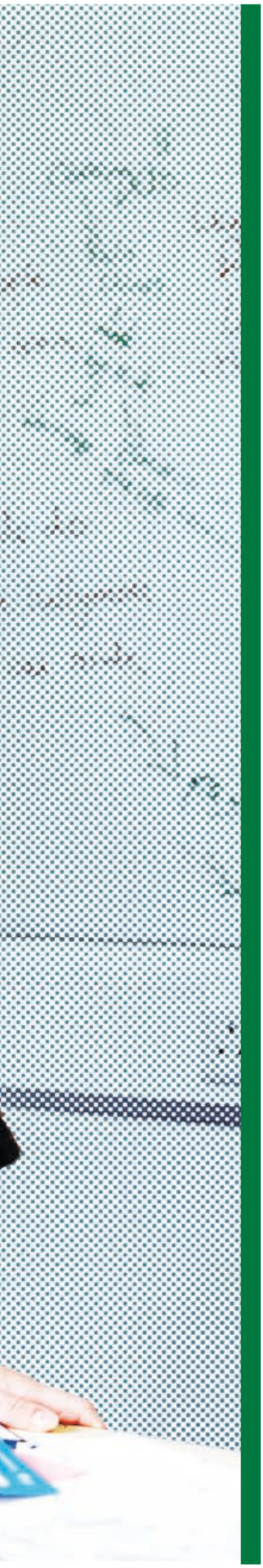
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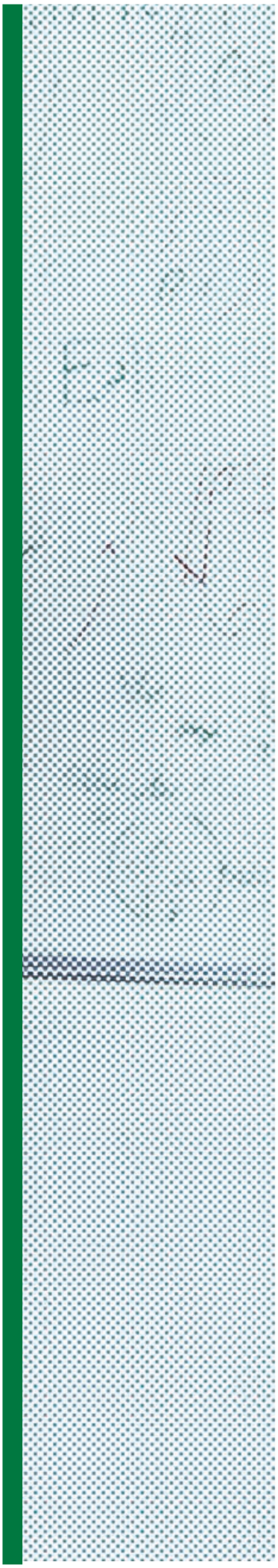


Computer Science
degrees

MH604	BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media) **NEW**	**100**
MH605	BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence **NEW**	**101**

Computer Science also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

Computer Science also available in the Bachelor of Science degree - see section 2



BSc Computer Science

CAO Code: **MH604** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **New degree**

- With Award Pathways:
- **BSc Computer Science and Software Engineering**
- **BSc Computer Science and Interactive Digital Media**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:	Transfer into this degree:
140	4 years	Yes – subject to availability	Yes – subject to availability	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7 and O6/H7 in Irish, English & O3/H7 Mathematics	See p. 40 & 73

Degree Overview

- The BSc Computer Science is a four-year undergraduate degree designed to provide students with a broad and flexible education in core computing disciplines. It offers a common entry point for students to experience a wide range of Computer Science concepts in first year before students choose their Award Pathway, either in Computer Science and Software Engineering or Computer Science and Interactive Digital Media.
- This structure allows students to explore key areas such as programming, algorithms, data structures, software engineering, databases, and computer systems before specialising later in the programme.
- The course emphasises both theoretical foundations and practical skills, with a strong focus on hands-on learning through labs, projects, and real-world applications. As students progress, they deepen their knowledge through advanced modules and gain industry experience via an industrial placement in third year, culminating in a final-year capstone project.
- Overall, the programme is designed to equip graduates with the technical expertise, problem-solving abilities, and professional skills required for careers in the rapidly evolving fields of software engineering (including AI empowerment) or interactive digital media, while also providing the flexibility to adapt to emerging technologies and future developments.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of the BSc Computer Science programme will be well prepared for a wide range of careers across the technology sector and beyond. The strong grounding in core areas such as programming, software engineering, systems, and data management equips students for roles including software developer, systems engineer, data analyst, and systems analyst. The emphasis on practical skills, collaborative work, and problem-solving ensures graduates can contribute effectively in professional environments, while the exposure to modern tools and development practices supports immediate employability in industry.
- In addition, the inclusion of industrial placement and project experience enhances career readiness by providing valuable real-world exposure and professional connections. Graduates will also be well positioned to pursue further study at postgraduate level in computer science or related fields. The breadth and flexibility of the programme enables students to adapt to emerging technologies and evolving industry demands, supporting long-term career development in a rapidly changing digital landscape.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Computer Science (30 credits)
- Mathematics (15 credits)
- Plus choose 1 other Science subject (Biology or Engineering Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics) OR 1 other MH101 Arts subject, which may include Critical Skills from the Subject Groups available - 1, 2, 4 or 6. See page 29 for Subject Groups.

Having successfully completed 1st year:
- Students may apply for a transfer from 1st year MH604 Computer Science to 2nd year MH605 Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence, but acceptance is dependent on quotas in that course and the applicant's performance in 1st year modules.
- Transfer is possible from MH605 to MH604 (acceptance is dependent on the applicant's performance in 1st year modules - but there is no quota of places).

2nd year

Students will choose their Award Pathway of either Computer Science and Software Engineering (CSSE) or Computer Science and Interactive Digital Media (IDM)

- Concentrate on Computer Science within the chosen award pathway
- 10 credits in Mathematics

3rd year

- Students take Computer Science only
- Students will complete a minimum 6-month industrial work placement (subject to availability)

Final year

- Students take Computer Science only

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Programming
- Object Oriented Programming
- Software Engineering Fundamentals
- Foundations of Computation & Logic

2nd year

(* indicates modules to be taken by CSSE students and ** indicates modules to be taken by IDM students)

- Algorithms and Data Structures 1
- Operating Systems, Communications and Concurrency *
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Multimedia Technology **
- Theory of Computation *
- Foundations of Media Design **

3rd year

* compulsory for CSSE
** compulsory for IDM

- Professional Software Development
- Team Project
- Work placement - subject to availability
- Computation & Complexity *
- Mobile Application Development **

4th year (CSSE Award Pathway):

- Artificial Intelligence & Language Processing
- Programming Language Design & Semantics
- Final Year Project in Software Engineering (CSSE)
- Machine Learning & Neural Networks
- Computer Vision
- Cryptography

4th year (IDM Award Pathway):

- Audio & Speech Processing
- Computer Graphics
- Final Year Project in Interactive Digital Media
- Computer Vision
- Robotics & Automation
- Designing for Virtual Environments

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BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence

CAO Code: **MH605** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **New degree**

Places: 40 | **Course Length:** 4 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – (subject to availability) | **Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165 | **Leaving Certificate**: 2H5 & 4O6/H7 and O6/H7 in Irish, English & O3/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- The BSc in Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence is a forward-looking degree designed to equip students with both strong computational foundations and specialised knowledge in AI technologies. The programme combines core topics such as programming, data structures, algorithms, and computer systems with advanced modules in machine learning, natural language processing, and intelligent systems. Students will gain practical experience through project-based learning, working with real-world datasets and modern development tools.
- A key focus of the course is developing problem-solving, analytical thinking, and innovation skills, enabling graduates to design and implement intelligent solutions across a variety of domains. Ethical considerations, including responsible AI usage, are also embedded throughout the curriculum to prepare students for the wider societal impact of these technologies.
- Graduates of this programme will be well-positioned for careers in software development, data science, AI engineering, and emerging technology sectors, or for further postgraduate study. Overall, the course offers a balanced blend of theory and application, ensuring students are industry-ready in a rapidly evolving digital landscape.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of the BSc in Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence have a wide range of career opportunities in both established and emerging sectors. The strong combination of technical expertise and problem-solving abilities developed throughout the programme prepares students for roles such as software developer, AI engineer, data scientist, machine learning specialist, and systems analyst. As demand for AI-driven solutions continues to grow across industries including healthcare, finance, entertainment, and cybersecurity, graduates are well equipped to contribute to innovative, high-impact projects.
- The programme also supports the development of transferable skills such as teamwork, communication, and critical thinking, which are highly valued by employers. In addition, practical experience gained through projects and hands-on learning enhances employability and readiness for professional environments.
- Graduates may also choose to pursue further study at postgraduate level in areas such as artificial intelligence, data science, software engineering or advanced computing. Overall, the degree opens pathways to dynamic, future-focused careers, enabling graduates to play a key role in shaping the development and ethical use of intelligent technologies worldwide.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Computer Science (30 credits)
- Mathematics (15 credits)
- Plus choose 1 other Science subject (Biology or Engineering Science, Experimental Physics, Mathematical Physics) OR 1 other MH101 Arts subject, which may include Critical Skills from the Subject Groups available - 1, 2, 4 or 6. See p. 29 for Subject Groups.

Having successfully completed 1st year:

- Students may apply for a transfer from 1st year MH604 Computer Science to 2nd year MH605 Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence, but acceptance is dependent on quotas in that course and the applicant's performance in 1st year modules.
- Transfer is possible from MH605 to MH604 (acceptance is dependent on the applicant's performance in 1st year modules - no quota of places).

2nd year

- Concentrate on Computer Science including CS245 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- 10 credits in Mathematics

3rd year

- Students take Computer Science only
- Students will complete a minimum 6 month industrial work placement (subject to availability)

4th year

- Students take Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence only

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Programming
- Object Oriented Programming
- Software Engineering Fundamentals
- Foundations of Computation & Logic

2nd year

- Algorithms and Data Structures 1
- User-Centred Software Engineering
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Databases
- Theory of Computation

3rd year

- Professional Software Development
- Team Project
- Software Verification
- Work placement - subject to availability
- Computation & Complexity

Final year

Compulsory Modules:

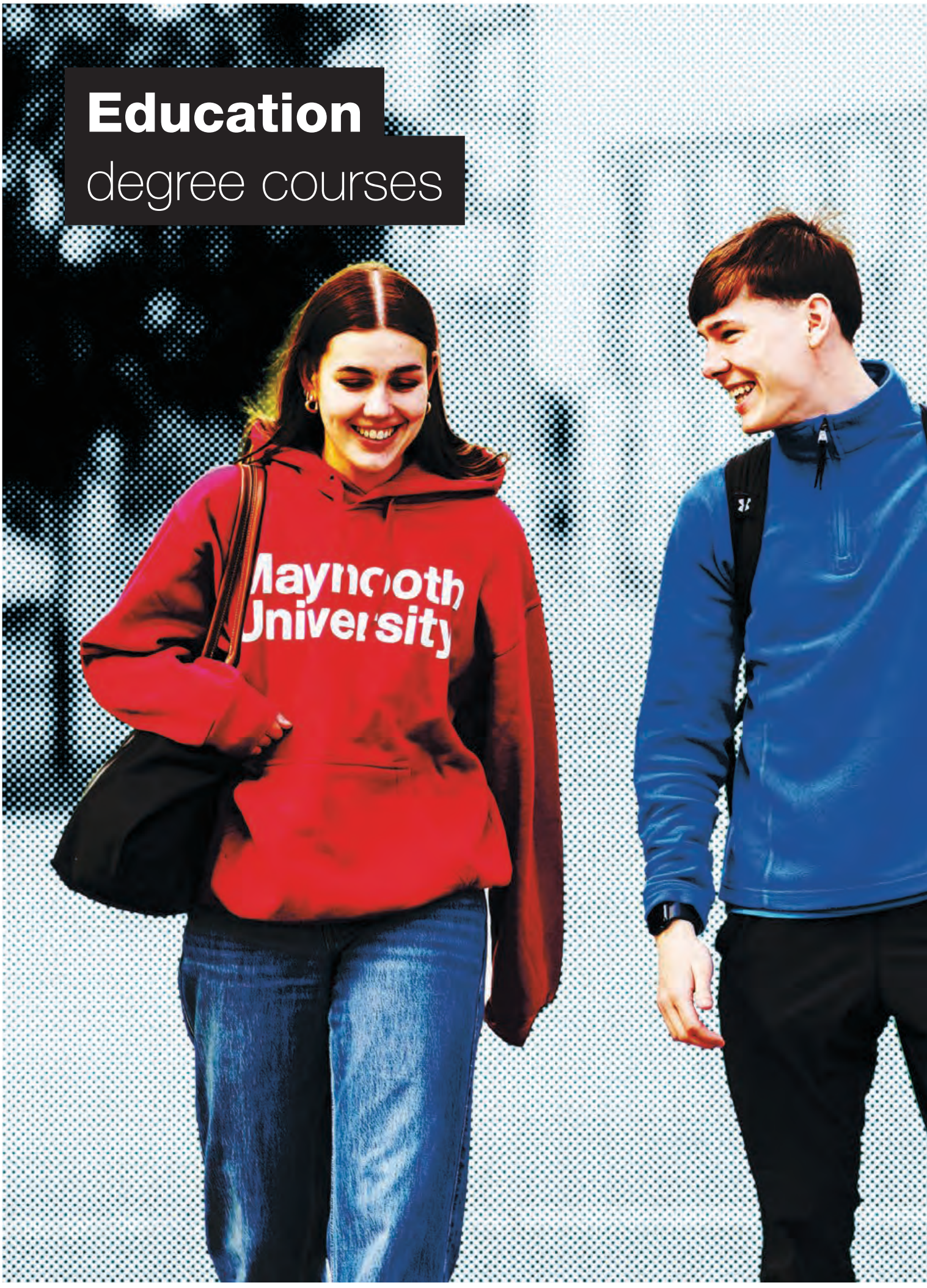
- Machine Learning & Neural Networks
- Artificial Intelligence & Language Processing
- Computer Vision
- Robotics & Automation

CS440 Final Year Project in Artificial Intelligence with guaranteed access to AI computing resources and research expertise in CS.

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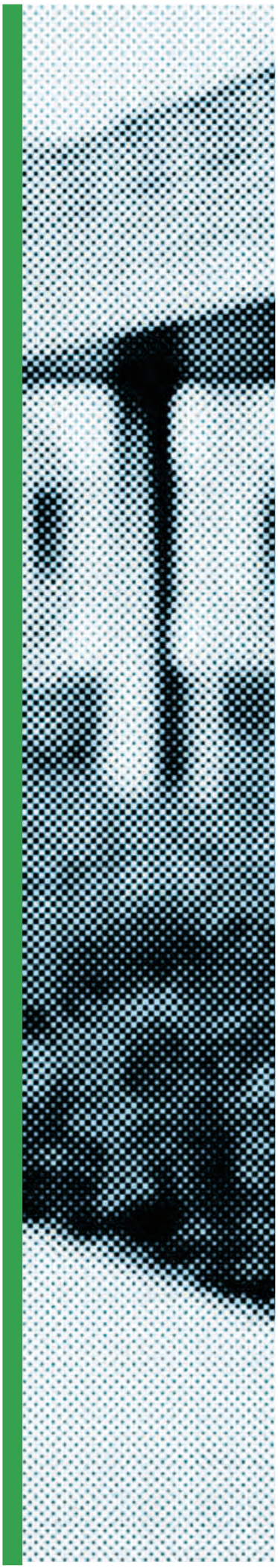
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BEd Bachelor of Education – Froebel Primary Teaching

CAO Code: **MH001/MH002^** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **495 (MH001)**

Accredited by the Teaching Council of Ireland

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
68	4 years	Yes – subject to availability	Required	Must apply before the 1st February. See p. 162	No	See p. 165	3H5 & 3O6/H7 grades. Required minimum grades are Irish H4, English O4/H7 and Mathematics O4/H7. **Leaving Certificate Applicants to MH002:** see below.

Note: An offer of a place on MH001/MH002 is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau. In the case of MH001/MH002, prior to entry, candidates are required to complete a Health Status Information Form.

^MH002 is another application route for students who reside in officially designated Gaeltacht Language Planning areas and who use Irish as the normal language of the home (applicants must include their Eircode when applying to MH002). Applicant details will be forwarded to the Department of Education to determine eligibility for this route. Minimum entry requirements for MH002 - as per MH001 with the H3 Irish requirement.

Degree Overview

- There are two routes into primary teaching:
  - the undergraduate Bachelor of Education (BEd) route (MH001 and MH002)
  - the two-year postgraduate Professional Master of Education (PMEd) route (see the Graduate Studies website for full details about the PMEd route)

  The BEd degree and the PMEd are designed for students who wish to become primary school teachers within the Republic of Ireland (both qualifications may offer the opportunity to work in many countries internationally).
- As the Froebel Department is named after the famous educational philosopher, Friedrich Froebel, our programmes reflect his ideology by incorporating child-centred, active, practical approaches to our teaching.
- You will study education modules and experience school-based practice within a variety of placement settings across all four years. You will also go on a placement in the Gaeltacht for two two-week blocks at Easter in your second and third years.
- These foundation disciplines form the theoretical basis for this degree
  - psychology
  - philosophy
  - sociology
  - history of education
- Choose to study primary education at the heart of this major university, where students enjoy intellectual stimulus and social interaction with professors and students from other disciplines.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- As a graduate, you will be eligible to register with the Teaching Council and are qualified to teach in primary schools in Ireland.
- Some graduates move into employment areas such as volunteering internationally, authoring of educational texts, third level teacher education, and the civil service.
- Further specialisation is possible and the Froebel Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Practice placements

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year

- Placement Learning 1
- Foundation Module 1
- Teacher as Learner
- Curriculum and Methodologies 1
- Teanga 1 & 2
- Professional and Personal Skills for Teaching and Learning 1
- Cumas na Gaeilge, English & Mathematical Competency Level 1
- Foundations of R.E. (I)
- Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 1

2nd year

- Placement Learning 2
- Social Construction of Identity in the Primary School
- Including Every Child 1
- Curriculum and Methodologies 2
- Teanga 3 & 4
- Professional and Personal Skills for Teaching and Learning 2
- Cumas na Gaeilge, English & Mathematical Competency 2
- Foundation Module 2
- Foundations of R.E. (II)
- Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 2

3rd year

- Placement Learning 3
- Foundation Module 3
- Including Every Child 2
- Curriculum, Methodologies and Assessment 3
- Professional and Personal Skills for Teaching and Learning 3
- Global Citizenship Education 2
- Languages and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 3
- Students will select one elective in this year from a wide range of options
- Students may also choose to spend Semester 1 abroad through the Erasmus programme

Final year

- Placement Learning 4
- Foundation Module 4
- Challenges in Pupil Care
- Curriculum, Methodologies and Assessment 4
- Professional and Personal Skills for Teaching and Learning 4
- Cumas na Gaeilge
- Maths Competency
- Teaching of Reading in the Primary School
- Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 4
- Exploring Modern Foreign Language in the Primary School
- Students will select two electives in this year from a wide range of options.

You might also like

- Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) - see Section 1
- PMEd Professional Master of Education (Primary): Graduates apply for this postgraduate course once they have completed their undergraduate degree (e.g. MH101 is a popular choice). See the Graduate Studies website for more details.

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BA Early Childhood Teaching and Learning (full-time)

CAO Code: **MH003** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **366**

Places: 45

Course Length: 4 years (full-time)

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Placement is required (420 hours per academic year)

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish and English

Accredited by the Qualifications and Advisory Board (QAB) for the Early Learning and Care (ELC) sector

Note: An offer of a place on this course is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Degree Overview

- Choose this progressive, full time, level 8, honours degree, if your ambition is to enter the early childhood education and care (ECEC) sector as an outstanding early childhood educator.
- As a Leaving Certificate, further education or mature student applicant, you can choose to graduate with a level 7 qualification after third year or a level 8 qualification after fourth year.
- If you are currently working in the ECEC sector, you may be interested in the flexible BA in Early Childhood Teaching and Learning (MH004 - see page 106).
- The programme is closely linked with ECEC practice, and staff are experienced in the development, delivery and advocacy of early childhood education and care.
- Work placements take place in Tusla-notified ECEC settings.
- This degree offers graduates the option of progressing their careers in Early Childhood Education and Care in varied professional roles.
- As the Froebel Department is named after the famous educational philosopher, Friedrich Froebel, our programmes reflect his ideology. This means we incorporate active, child-centred, and practical approaches to our teaching and learning.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates emerge as early years teaching professionals in Ireland and positions them to spearhead and lead learning in early childhood education and care (ECEC) services. The degree may also provide opportunities to work in early childhood settings internationally.
- Career progression within this sector, for those with a level 7 or level 8 early childhood degree, is expanding rapidly within and beyond ECEC settings, to include opportunities in:
  - policy development and evaluation agencies
  - government departments
  - semi-state bodies
  - non-governmental organisations (NGOs)
- Graduates may also take up roles with local development agencies within the early childhood sector both nationally and internationally.
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

This full-time degree will prepare you for a range of leadership roles in the Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) sector. Lectures are 3 days a week and students spend one day a week in settings (for example, in 2025-2026, lectures took place Tuesday - Thursday and placement was either Monday or Friday). Additionally, there are a number of Block Placements throughout the academic year.

Practice placements

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year

- Reflective Practice: Educator as Learner
- Introduction to Child Psychology
- Introduction to Social and Legal Studies
- Introduction to Curriculum and Pedagogy
- Health and Well-being for Infants and Toddlers
- Inclusion in Early Childhood Education
- Philosophy, Culture and Constructs of Early Childhood Education and Care
- Professional Practice 1

2nd year

- Reflective Practice: Integrating Theory & Practice
- Learning & Development Practices (Birth to 6 years)
- Play
- Health and Well-Being for Young Children
- Children's Spaces
- Building Relationships with Children, Families and Communities
- Exploring Curricula & Pedagogy
- Professional Practice 2

3rd year

- Reflective Practice: Educator as Change Agent
- Learning & Development in Context
- Social Justice, Ethics & Diversity
- Supporting Creativity & Imagination
- Social & Legal Context of Childhood
- Community as Context
- Supporting Enquiry/Enacting the Curriculum
- Professional Practice 3

Final year

- Reflective Practice: Educator as Action Researcher
- Learning & Development: Challenges
- Leadership and Management
- Transitions in the Early Years
- Dominant Discourses in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment
- Literacy Numeracy and Scientific Enquiry
- Professional Practice 4

You might also like

- PMEd Professional Masters in Education (Primary) - see pg 104.

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BA Early Childhood – Teaching and Learning (flexible)

CAO Code: **MH004** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **Not applicable**

Places: 30

Course Length: 4 years (flexible) Applicants with a level 6 qualification in Early Childhood Education and Care may apply for exemption from year 1.

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: No

Work Placement: Placement is required (420 hours per academic year)*

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Entry Requirement: Level 6 Early Childhood award

Accredited by the Qualifications and Advisory Board (QAB) for the Early Learning and Care (ELC) sector

Please note that MH004 BA Early Childhood Teaching & Learning (flexible) will run subject to sufficient numbers in 2027. A decision on September 2027 intake will be made in May 2027. For more details please contact the Department.

Please note that applications for the BA Early Childhood - Teaching & Learning (flexible) degree (CAO Code MH004) must be made through the Advanced Entry portal on the CAO application website.

Note: An offer of a place on this course is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Degree Overview

- If you are currently working in the early childhood education and care (ECEC) sector, you will be interested in this flexible, level 8 honours degree – MH004. If you already have a full level 6 qualification in ECEC, you are exempt from first year. You can also choose to graduate with level 7 qualification after third year or a level 8 qualification after fourth year.
- If you are applying as a Leaving Certificate, mature or further education student, you will be interested in the full-time programme - MH003 – see page 105.
- As the Froebel Department is named after the famous educational philosopher, Friedrich Froebel, our programmes reflect his ideology. This means we incorporate active, child-centred and practical approaches to our teaching and learning.
- Our programme is closely linked with early childhood education and care (ECEC) practice, and our lecturers are experienced in the development, delivery and advocacy of ECEC.
- Work placements* take place in Tusla-notified ECEC settings. If you are working in the sector, you may use your workplace as your placement setting. However, short, alternative placements are also required each year.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

This degree offers graduates the option of progressing their careers in varied professional roles.

- Graduates emerge as early years teaching professionals in Ireland and positions them to spearhead and lead learning in early childhood education and care (ECEC) services. The degree may also provide opportunities to work in early childhood settings internationally.
- Career progression within this sector, for those with a level 7 or level 8 early childhood degree, is expanding rapidly within and beyond ECEC settings, to include opportunities in:
  - policy development and evaluation agencies
  - government departments
  - semi-state bodies
  - non-governmental organisations (NGOs)
- Graduates may also take up roles with local development agencies within the early childhood sector both nationally and internationally.
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Practice placements

Course Structure

- This flexible degree will prepare you for a range of leadership roles in the Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) sector

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year

- This programme is designed for Early Years Educators working in early childhood education and care settings.
- Applicants with a Level 6 qualification in Early Childhood Education and Care may apply for exemption from year 1.
- Those aspiring to enter the Early Childhood Education and Care sector from Leaving Certificate or further education paths may be interested in the full-time programme MH003.

2nd year

- Reflective Practice: Integrating Theory and Practice
- Early Childhood Learning & Development: Practices (birth – 6yrs)
- Building Relationships with Children, Families and Communities
- Exploring Curricula & Pedagogy: Supporting Enquiry
- Children's Health & Well-being
- Social & Legal Context of Early Childhood
- Play
- Professional Development and Professional Placement 2

3rd year

- Reflective Practice: Educator as Change Agent
- Early Childhood Learning & Development in Context (birth – 6yrs)
- Inclusive Practices for Children and Families
- Supporting Creativity and Imagination
- Language and Literacy in Early Childhood
- Pedagogical Documentation & Assessment
- Establishing Quality Indoor and Outdoor Environments in Early Childhood
- Professional Development and Professional Placement 3

Final year

- Reflective Practice: Research and Methodology
- Early Childhood Learning & Development Challenges birth – 6yrs
- Leadership & Management in Early Childhood Education & Care
- Social Justice, Ethics and Diversity
- Transitions in Early Childhood Education & Care
- Dominant Discourse/Global Perspectives in Early Childhood Education & Care
- STEAM in Early Childhood Education & Care
- Professional Development and Professional Placement 4

You might also like

- PMEd Professional Masters in Education (Primary) - see pg 104.

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BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies

CAO Code: **MH102** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **New degree**

Places: 40 (10 places PME Primary*; 30 places PME Post Primary*)

Course Length: 3 years (4 if taking Erasmus/Study Abroad option) + 2 year postgraduate study

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes

Placement Option: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & 3rd language (minimum grade H5 in two subjects and a minimum of grade O6/H7 in the remaining four subjects. Minimum O6/H7 in Irish, English and a third language)

New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge introduced for Nua-Ghaeilge

Maynooth University is delighted to introduce a new Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination) for students who wish to study Nua-Ghaeilge as part of the Arts MH101/MH102 programmes but who do not hold the standard H4 requirement.

The new examination provides an additional pathway for students who have a strong interest in Irish. Students must first receive and accept a CAO offer for a place on MH101/MH102. Following registration, students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge and who do not have the required H4 in Irish will have the opportunity to sit the Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge.

Degree Overview

The Bachelor of Arts with Education is a new 3+2 pathway leading to a teaching career at Primary or Post-Primary. Students complete a three-year undergraduate degree within the existing MH101 programme, followed by a protected pathway into a two-year Professional Master of Education (PME Primary Teaching) or Professional Master of Education (PME Secondary Teaching). This structure gives students the space to explore teaching as a career, develop strong subject knowledge, and make an informed, confident choice before committing to a post graduate programme.

Note: place on either PME is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Students take four subjects in first year, including Education and choose the remaining three subjects from the groups below (only one subject may be taken from each group). You have up to four weeks to make your final choice. In second year, they continue to study two of the subjects plus Education. In third year, they focus fully on their two subjects, with no Education component. An additional Nua-Ghaeilge option is available within Group 3 for students aiming to meet the entry requirement in Irish for Primary teaching.

- Group 1
  - → Geography
  - → German
- Group 2 Compulsory
  - → Education
- Group 3
  - → English
  - → Mathematical Studies
  - → Extra Nua-Ghaeilge
- Group 4
  - → Nua-Ghaeilge
- Group 5
  - → Spanish
- Group 6
  - → Chinese
  - → French

Pathway to Professional Master of Education Primary/ Professional Master of Education Post-Primary

*Upon completion of year two, students will choose either the primary or post-primary pathway. If demand exceeds places on either primary or post-primary pathway, places will be allocated based on students' second-year results.

On completion of the BA in Education Studies, students continuing to the post-graduate teacher education programme will need to meet the entry requirements of the PME (Primary, Post-Primary) that are in place at that time.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

Graduates of this programme may choose to continue on the protected pathway into a two-year Professional Master of Education (PME Primary Teaching) or Professional Master of Education (PME Secondary Teaching). Following successful completion of the Professional Masters, graduates will have a qualification recognised by the Department of Education and Youth and will be eligible to register with the Teaching Council. Those who complete the PME (Primary) will be qualified to teach in primary schools in Ireland. Those who complete the PME (Secondary) will be qualified to teach in secondary schools. Both qualifications are also recognised under the EU directives on mutual recognition of professional qualifications.

While many graduates teach initially some move into employment areas such as volunteering internationally, authoring of educational texts, third level teacher education and the civil service. Graduates may opt not to continue into a teaching career. Over the course of the three- or four-year degree, students have opportunity to develop valuable skills including the important ability to think critically and analytically. Our Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies graduates are encouraged to become flexible thinkers who are ready for the challenges of the modern workplace.

Course Structure

1st year
- Four subjects, including Education

2nd year
- Three subjects, including Education

3rd year
- Two subjects, with no Education component

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year
- **Collaborative Microteaching: Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Practice**
- **Imagination, Creativity and Holistic Learning**
- Global Environments
- Foundational English 1A: Prose and Fiction
- Teanga agus Litríocht na Gaeilge
- Introduction to Calculus
- Beginners Mandarin Chinese
- Beginners Spanish

2nd year
- **Education, Social Justice and Equity**
- **Teacher Identity in Contemporary Schools: Perspectives and Practice**
- Chinese Social Theory
- Introduction to American Literature
- An Nua – Litríocht
- Linear Algebra 2
- Hydrology and water Resources
- Intermediate Spanish

3rd year
- Mandarin Chinese
- Methodologies for Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language
- Contemporary Cinema
- The Global Impulse of Irish Drama
- An Ghaeilge Scríofa & Labhartha
- Experimental and computational Mathematics

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BSc Science or BSc Mathematics and Computer Science or BSc Mathematics (with Education)

CAO Code: **MH212 SED or MCS or MED** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **422**

Places: 65 (MH212)

Course Length: 4 years + 1 year postgraduate study

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: No

Work Placement: Placement is required

Mature Applicants: Must apply before the 1st February. See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 Mathematics*

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH212 degree stream (entry requirements apply)

Transfer from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

*Students admitted to MH212 are required to have H4 Mathematics to register for MCS or MED.

Note: An offer of a place on this course is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Degree Overview

- This degree is recognised by the Teaching Council and qualifies graduates to teach up to Leaving Certificate higher level.
- Gain school-based experience to develop skills in planning, implementing and evaluating teaching and learning along with the opportunity to experience the daily life of the school, both inside and outside the classroom.
- There are three MH212 streams and you have up to four weeks following registration to decide on your preferred stream. Choose:
  - → **MH212 SED** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary science and/or mathematics teacher
  - → **MH212 MCS** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary mathematics and computer science teacher
  - → **MH212 MED** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary mathematics and applied mathematics teacher
- This degree offers a five-year route to post-primary teaching - studying a four-year Science/Mathematics/Computer Science degree, while also completing 60 credits in Education.
- After four years, you will be awarded a level 8 honours degree:
  - → BSc Science (with Education) or
  - → BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education) or
  - → BSc Mathematics (with Education) degree

  You will then have two pathways open to you:

  1. Choose to exit your studies with your level 8 qualification and take a different path in your education or career.

  2. Continue with your studies to become a fully qualified teacher. This means you complete one further year of study at postgraduate level - necessary to meet the Teaching Council requirements to be registered as a Newly Qualified Teacher (NQT) in two subjects. Having graduated with your level 8 degree, you are guaranteed your place in this postgraduate year.
  At the end of year five of your studies, you will have achieved a level 9 professional masters in addition to your level 8 higher degree, qualifying you to teach your chosen subjects to Leaving Certificate level.
- An alternative six-year route to second-level teaching is available. Students can take the BSc Bachelor of Science degree (MH201) for four years and then apply for a place on the level 9 Professional Master of Education degree. The PME is a two-year, full-time programme designed to qualify graduates to teach at post-primary level. Entry to the PME is competitive and is not guaranteed to graduates of the BSc Bachelor of Science degree (MH201).

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Once you have completed this Teaching Council-approved course, you will be qualified to teach to Leaving Certificate level at post-primary schools in Ireland and internationally:
  - → MH212 SED: depending on the subjects chosen - teach any two of the following subjects to Leaving Certificate level (HL): mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics
  - → MH212 MCS: computer science and mathematics teacher
  - → MH212 MED: mathematics and applied mathematics teacher
- Depending on your subject choice, you will also be qualified to teach Junior Cycle mathematics and science.
- If you decide to exit after four years with your level 8 qualification, you can pursue a range of careers and postgraduate courses.
- The Maynooth University Education Department and the Faculty of Science and Engineering offer a range of excellent postgraduate courses.
- Graduates apply to the Teaching Council of Ireland for registration.

You might also like

- BSc Bachelor of Science - see Section 2

Practice placements

Course Structure

- After four years of concurrent Science and Education studies, students may graduate with a level 8 honours degree in Science/Mathematics/Computer Science (with Education)
- To become a fully qualified science/mathematics/computer science teacher, students must complete a fifth year of study at Masters level – the Professional Master of Education
- Once students reach the required standards after 4th year, the place in 5th year is guaranteed

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematics
- Computer Science

2nd year
- Continue with any 2 of your 1st year subjects
- Introduction to Teaching – Critical Reflection on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning
- Foundations of Education

3rd year
- Continue with your 2 chosen subjects (40 credits)
- School-based experience (1 day per week)
- Learning, Teaching, Assessment and Curriculum
- Global Citizenship Education
- Critical Reflections on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning

4th year
- Continue with your 2 chosen subjects (40 credits)
- School-based experience (2 week block in September and 1 day per week in semester 1)
- The Teacher as a Critically Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusion, Diversity and Special Needs Education
- Critical Reflections on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning

Final year
- School-based experience (3 days per week in school)
- Teaching, Learning, Assessment and Curriculum: The Practice of Teaching
- Becoming a Teacher
- Lesson Study Research Project

What makes our degree unique

In SED you can choose to study any two subjects from biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics in any combination in year 2.

At the end of year 2 if you decide you do not want to teach, you can move into the BSc Bachelor of Science MH201.

At the end of this course you will graduate with an undergraduate BScEd and a postgraduate Professional Master of Education.



Aoife Mullally

Mathematics Teacher in Coláiste na hInse

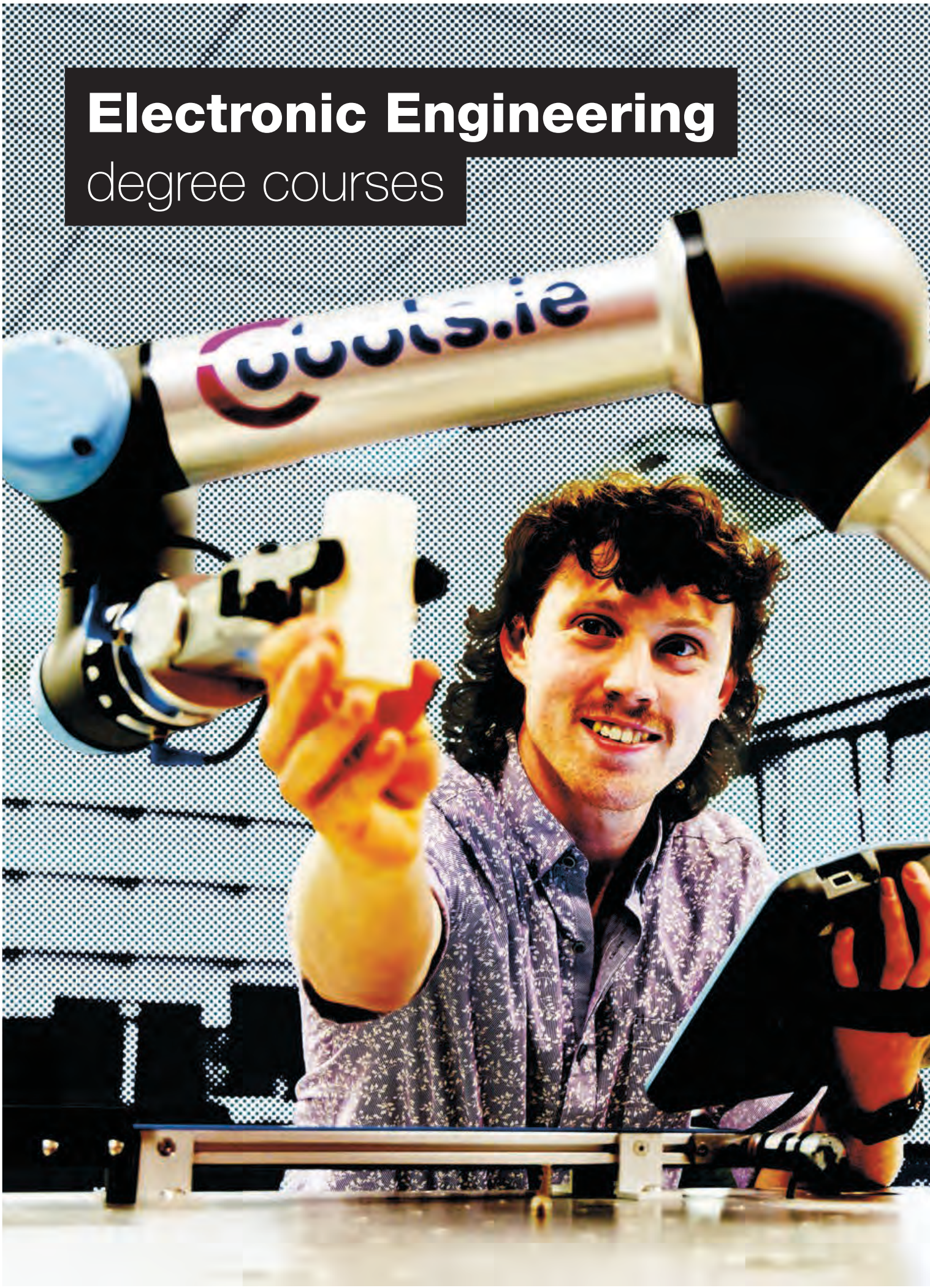
BSc Mathematics with Education
Professional Master in Education (PME)

MU gave me the mindset that learning is a lifelong process.

Through the experience I gained from school placement, internships with Bank of Ireland's Training and Development team and Vodafone's Data Science team, taking part in the First Lego League workshops, as President of the Art and Craft Society, as Gender Equality Senator with the Maynooth Students' Union, during my work as a demonstrator in computer science and mathematics labs and my work as a tutor in the Maths Support Centre, I had to lead, teach, and represent others. All my experiences helped to grow my confidence.

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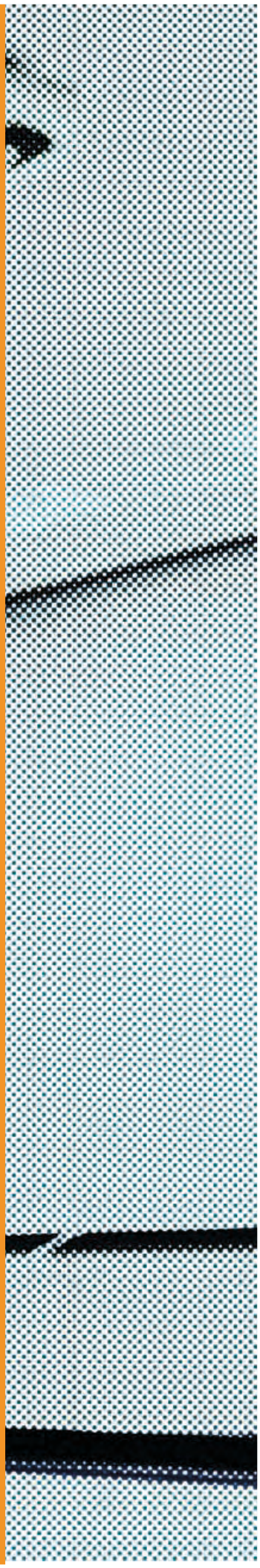
Electronic Engineering
degree courses





Electronic Engineering
degrees

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BE Bachelor of Electronic Engineering

CAO Code: **MH304** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **363**

Accredited by Engineers Ireland

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Transfer
40	4/5 years	Yes – subject to availability	Yes - subject to availability (year 4 of 5 year programme)	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	MH201 into this degree - see p. 75

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & a Science subject (i.e. Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, Physics with Chemistry or Technology) & H4 Mathematics. **Applicants under 23 years of age must have at least 350 points.**

Engineering Scholarship: W.A. Barrett Scholarship in Engineering
The W.A. Barrett Scholarship in Engineering at Maynooth University was established in 2023 through the generosity of Earthridge International and the Barrett family to commemorate the late William Anthony (Tony) Barrett. The scholarship provides €3,000 to eligible first year students taking a Level 8 course that is accredited by Engineers Ireland at Maynooth University. Two scholarships are available for MH304/MH306 Engineering students. **www.mu.ie/scholarships**

Degree Overview

- If you want to become a chartered engineer with an internationally recognised qualification, the MH304 Bachelor of Electronic Engineering (BE) and (optional) Master of Engineering (ME) are for you.
- Accredited by Engineers Ireland, students take engineering fundamentals, mathematics modules and problem-based learning projects in each year.
- Problem-based learning modules help to better prepare our students to meet the challenges in modern society. Our students are given a solid grounding in:
  - effective communication
  - ethics
  - sustainable development goals
  - project delivery
- If you achieve a 2.2 grade (50%) minimum in third year, you can choose the ME stream, opening up the following opportunities in fourth year - subject to availability:
  - 6-month industry work experience
  - Erasmus or study abroad
  - Research internship or project
- Learn from our world-class experts in mobile communications, radio and wireless communications, biomedical engineering research, dynamics and control research, wave energy research, and robotics.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our graduates are highly sought-after in a wide range of engineering and non-engineering roles including:
  - silicon chip manufacturing and design
  - communications
  - in the development of products closely combining hardware and software
  - in the automotive, health, education, business and finance sectors – all of which are examples of activities now dependent on electronic engineering
- Beyond electronic engineering, MH304 graduates have the software skills to work in most software companies, and the problem solving and mathematical skills for many roles in the financial, consultancy and management sectors.
- Many graduates pursue postgraduate study and the Department offers a range of excellent programmes.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure & Sample Modules

In response to consultation with our industry advisory board, this programme offers Project Based learning throughout.

1st & 2nd year

Students take Engineering fundamentals, Programming and Mathematics modules and start their first four Problem Based Learning Projects.

3rd year

3rd year students complete a selection of taught modules and two PBL (Project Based Learning) modules. Students have two progression routes out of the programme to qualification, depending on their grade average in 3rd year.

4th year

In fourth year students can choose from a selection of module options. Students planning to exit after 4th year complete a final year project.

OR

Students with a minimum of 2:2 grade (50%) in 3rd year may complete a further 2 years to graduate with an ME in Electronic Engineering.

Work experience is available to students in the 4th year of the 5 year Masters. Students may alternatively choose Erasmus, Study Abroad or a Research Internship or Project (subject to availability).

Scholarship Opportunity

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BE Bachelor of Electronic Engineering

CAO Code: **MH304** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **363**

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year
- Electronic Fundamentals
- Statics & Dynamics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Programming
- Systems & Control
- Project Based Learning x 2

2nd year
- Analogue Electronics
- Telecommunications
- Mathematics
- Digital Systems
- Programming
- Electric Circuits
- Project Based Learning x 2

3rd year
- Digital Signal Processing
- Mathematics
- Software Engineering
- Embedded Real-Time systems
- Control System Design
- Community Based Project (PBL – Project Based Learning)

4th year BE Option
- RF Circuits & Systems
- Computer Control Systems
- Computer Vision
- Robotics & Automation
- Information Theory
- Wireless Digital Communications

4th year – ME options

Plus: select from 1 of the following in semester 2
- Research Project
- Erasmus or Study Abroad
- Work placement (all subject to availability)

5th year - ME options
- Advanced Wireless Communications
- Design of Experiments & Data Analysis
- Electromagnetic Emissions
- Optimization Theory
- Advance Real Time Systems
- Capstone Project



Will Douglas

NPU AI Automation & Operations Engineer at Intel

I'm an Electronic Engineer at Intel with experience across NPU lab operations, hardware validation, SoC/NPU integration, and process automation.

The MU Department of Electronic Engineering were seriously into engineering and that focus is what led me to where I am now.

BSc Robotics and Intelligent Devices

CAO Code: **MH306** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **353**

Accredited by Engineers Ireland

Places: 35

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: No

Work Placement: Yes - subject to availability

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O3/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- The programme is ideally suited to students who want to use robotics and intelligent device-based technologies and solutions to make a difference in areas such as health and wellbeing, assistive living, smart agriculture and manufacturing, retail and hospitality.
- Blending electronic engineering and computer science, you will focus on adding intelligence to everyday systems and developing robots that can collaborate and interact with humans and our environment.
- Choose this degree if you want to graduate with an internationally recognised qualification which is accredited by Engineers Ireland.
- You will complete a work placement (subject to availability) or a design challenge in third year and compete in high profile robot competitions and other competitive challenges.
- You will focus on the design, implementation, and use of intelligent physical things including:
  - robots
  - autonomous vehicles
  - smart sensors
  - internet-of-things devices
- With a problem-based learning (PBL) approach and substantial projects throughout the programme, expect to build a compelling portfolio of projects to show potential employers. PBL is essential to develop skills including:
  - skills in hardware and software analysis and design
  - key skills in technical and non-technical communication
  - teamwork skills
  - engineering management
  - impact evaluation
- Throughout the programme students can work with multiple robotic and intelligent device platforms in well-equipped labs.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- With the rapid pace of progress in the development of robotics, AI, and intelligent device technologies, graduates gain employment in sectors such as:
  - manufacturing
  - food science
  - pharmaceuticals
  - healthcare
  - energy
  - communications
  - research
  - finance
- Possible graduate roles may include:
  - robotics engineer
  - software engineer/ developer
  - embedded systems engineer/ developer
  - intelligent systems architect
  - intelligence analyst
- Employers appreciate the experience that graduates bring, resulting from their work placement and portfolio of projects.
- Many graduates pursue postgraduate study and the Department offers a range of excellent programmes.

Scholarship Opportunity See p. 112

Course Structure

In response to consultation with our industry advisory board, this programme offers Project Based learning throughout.

1st year

- Students take a range of modules covering mathematics, physics, programming, electronic fundamentals and project work

2nd year & 3rd year

- Over these 2 years you will develop a strong basis in robotics and intelligent devices
- Complete a work placement (subject to availability) or a design challenge in third year.
- Students are encouraged to compete in high profile robot competitions and other competitive challenges

Final year

- Students choose between robotics and intelligent device thematic large projects

Course Structure & Sample Modules

Substantial team projects in each of the first 5 semesters with key modules in computing and embedded systems, systems and control, machine learning, and robotics.

1st year

- Electronic Fundamentals
- Statics & Dynamics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Programming
- Systems & Control
- Project Based Learning x 2 (including Robotics and Control)

2nd year

- Intelligent Systems Project
- Systems Dynamics and Control Project
- Computing for Engineers
- Digital and Analogue Electronics
- Mathematics
- Object Oriented Programming (C++)
- Algorithms and Data Structures
- Operating Systems

3rd year

- Robotics & Intelligent Devices for Society Project
- Probability and Statistics
- Software Engineering
- Real-Time and Embedded Systems
- Robotics & Automation
- Six month work placement (subject to availability)

Final year

- Capstone Project
- Digital Signal Processing
- Computer Control Systems
- Machine Learning and Neural Networks
- Autonomous Mobile Robotics
- Robotic actuation and sensing
- Computer Communications Networks
- Digital Design and Verilog
- Computer Vision

Topics listed are subject to change; individual modules may not be offered in a particular year.

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Work placement opportunity

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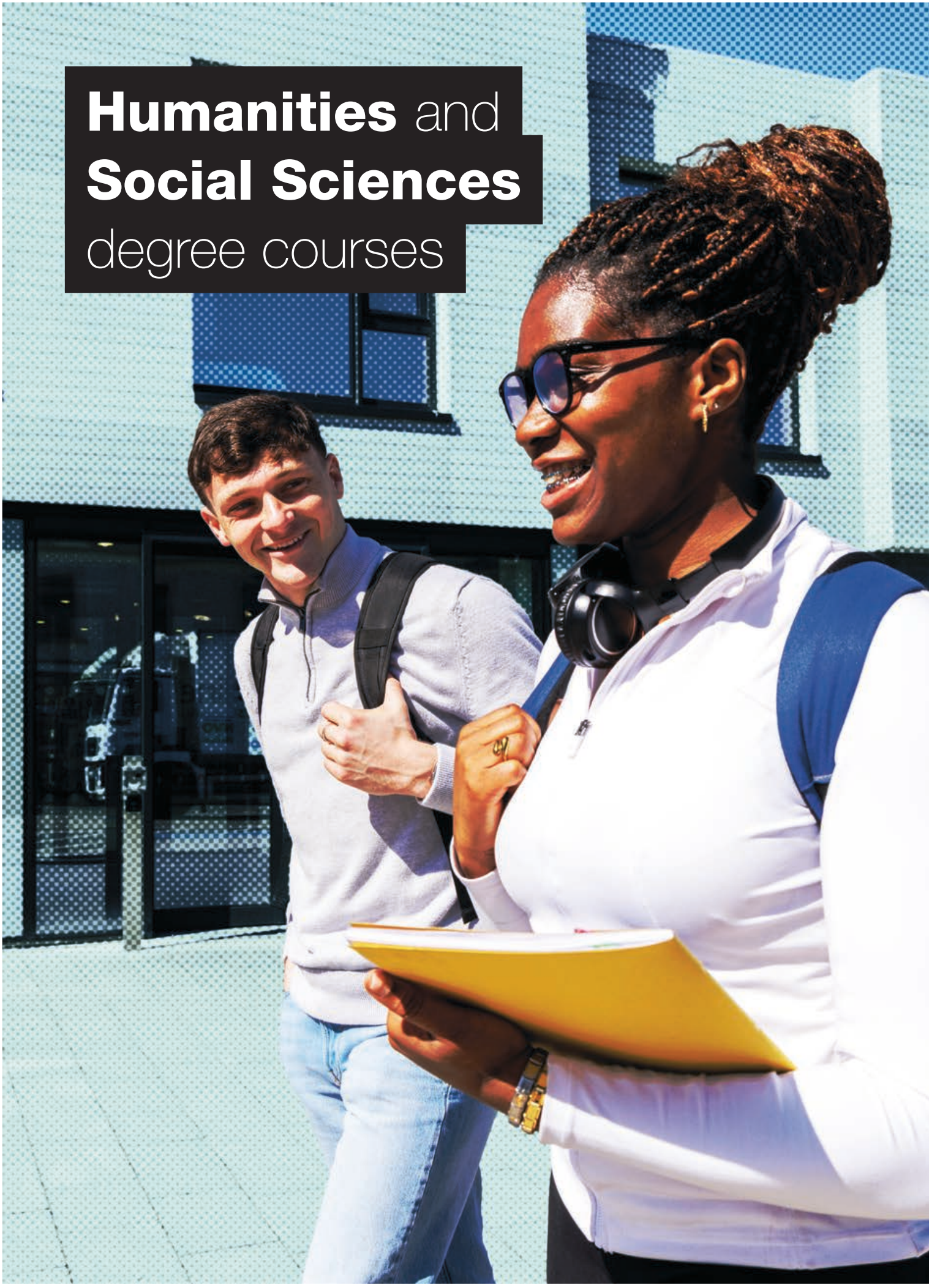
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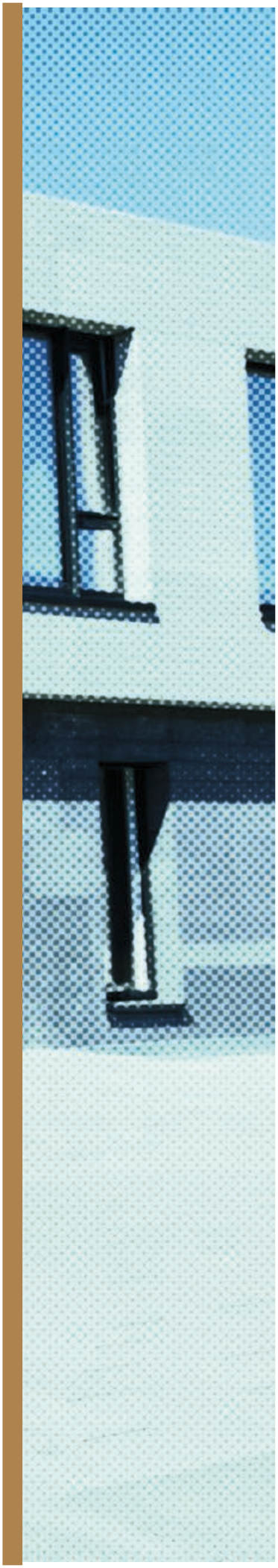
Humanities and **Social Sciences** degree courses





Humanities and Social Sciences degrees

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BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies

CAO Code: **MH102** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **New degree**

Places: 40 (10 places PME Primary*, 30 places PME Post Primary*)

Course Length: 3 years (4 if taking Erasmus/Study Abroad option) + 2 year postgraduate study

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes

Placement Option: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & 3rd language (minimum grade H5 in two subjects and a minimum of grade O6/H7 in the remaining four subjects. Minimum O6/H7 in Irish, English and a third language)

New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge introduced for Nua-Ghaeilge

Maynooth University is delighted to introduce a new Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination) for students who wish to study Nua-Ghaeilge as part of the Arts MH101/MH102 programmes but who do not hold the standard H4 requirement.

The new examination provides an additional pathway for students who have a strong interest in Irish. Students must first receive and accept a CAO offer for a place on MH101/MH102. Following registration, students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge and who do not have the required H4 in Irish will have the opportunity to sit the Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge.

Degree Overview

The Bachelor of Arts with Education is a new 3+2 pathway leading to a teaching career at Primary or Post-Primary. Students complete a three-year undergraduate degree within the existing MH101 programme, followed by a protected pathway into a two-year Professional Master of Education (PME Primary Teaching) or Professional Master of Education (PME Secondary Teaching). This structure gives students the space to explore teaching as a career, develop strong subject knowledge, and make an informed, confident choice before committing to a post graduate programme.
Note: place on either PME is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Students take four subjects in first year, including Education and choose the remaining three subjects from the groups below (only one subject may be taken from each group). You have up to four weeks to make your final choice. In second year, they continue to study two of the subjects plus Education. In third year, they focus fully on their two subjects, with no Education component. An additional Nua-Ghaeilge option is available within Group 3 for students aiming to meet the entry requirement in Irish for Primary teaching.

- Group 1
  - Geography
  - German
- Group 2 Compulsory
  - Education
- Group 3
  - English
  - Mathematical Studies
  - Extra Nua-Ghaeilge
- Group 4
  - Nua-Ghaeilge
- Group 5
  - Spanish
- Group 6
  - Chinese
  - French

Pathway to Professional Master of Education Primary/ Professional Master of Education Post-Primary

*Upon completion of year two, students will choose either the primary or post-primary pathway. If demand exceeds places on either primary or post-primary pathway, places will be allocated based on students' second-year results.

On completion of the BA in Education Studies, students continuing to the post-graduate teacher education programme will need to meet the entry requirements of the PME (Primary, Post-Primary) that are in place at that time.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

Graduates of this programme may choose to continue on the protected pathway into a two-year Professional Master of Education (PME Primary Teaching) or Professional Master of Education (PME Secondary Teaching). Following successful completion of the Professional Masters, graduates will have a qualification recognised by the Department of Education and Youth and will be eligible to register with the Teaching Council. Those who complete the PME (Primary) will be qualified to teach in primary schools in Ireland. Those who complete the PME (Secondary) will be qualified to teach in secondary schools. Both qualifications are also recognised under the EU directives on mutual recognition of professional qualifications.

While many graduates teach initially some move into employment areas such as volunteering internationally, authoring of educational texts, third level teacher education and the civil service. Graduates may opt not to continue into a teaching career. Over the course of the three- or four-year degree, students have opportunity to develop valuable skills including the important ability to think critically and analytically. Our Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies graduates are encouraged to become flexible thinkers who are ready for the challenges of the modern workplace.

Course Structure

1st year
- Four subjects, including Education

2nd year
- Three subjects, including Education

3rd year
- Two subjects, with no Education component

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year
- **Collaborative Microteaching: Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Practice**
- **Imagination, Creativity and Holistic Learning**
- Global Environments
- Foundational English 1A: Prose and Fiction
- Teanga agus Litríocht na Gaeilge
- Introduction to Calculus
- Beginners Mandarin Chinese
- Beginners Spanish

2nd year
- **Education, Social Justice and Equity**
- **Teacher Identity in Contemporary Schools: Perspectives and Practice**
- Chinese Social Theory
- Introduction to American Literature
- An Nua – Litríocht
- Linear Algebra 2
- Hydrology and water Resources
- Intermediate Spanish

3rd year
- Mandarin Chinese
- Methodologies for Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language
- Contemporary Cinema
- The Global Impulse of Irish Drama
- An Ghaeilge Scríofa & Labhartha
- Experimental and computational Mathematics

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BMus Bachelor of Music

CAO Code: **MH103** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **Not applicable**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
25	3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)	Yes – subject to availability	No	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/ H7, Irish, English & 3rd language. *Restricted-application course – apply to the CAO by February 1st

Degree Overview

- This dynamic programme for music specialists blends performance, composition, and academic study.
- By choosing to study music with us, you can access academic expertise and unparalleled choice in areas such as:
  - Irish traditional music
  - contemporary creative practices
  - plainchant performance
  - musical theatre
  - histories of European art music
  - popular music studies
- You can focus on your preferences and strengths in final year, with major/ minor specialisations in performance, composition, or musicology (music research). Further optional modules available include 'Music and Film', 'Opera in Context', 'Electronic Music Composition', and 'Popular Music Studies'.
- Students develop their performance skills through access to individual tuition.
- Participate in ensembles such as:
  - Choral Society
  - Chamber Choir
  - Jazz & Blues Band
  - Musical Society
  - Traditional Music Group
  - Pop & Rock Band

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- For those considering teaching Music at second level, Music in the MH101 degree also satisfies the Teaching Council subject requirements.
- Our students have found work as professional musicians in a broad range of roles and genres (performers, composers and conductors).
- Music graduates are equipped with a wide range of transferable skills and our graduates also work in adjacent areas such as:
  - music education
  - arts administration
  - multimedia
  - music promotion and marketing
  - journalism
  - radio production and presentation
  - music libraries
- Music graduates often pursue further study in The Department of Music, which offers a range of postgraduate courses in music and music technology.

*MH103 is a CAO restricted-application course. Prospective students must complete an online video audition. Applicants must be able to demonstrate, during the audition, a minimum of Grade 6 standard (ABRSM, RIAM, Trinity College London) on a standard orchestral instrument (excluding percussion), piano, organ, classical guitar, voice or saxophone, or a minimum of Grade 6 standard (Rockschool, Trinity College London) on bass, drums, vocals, keyboard or guitar (electric or acoustic). Traditional Irish instrumentalists and musical theatre vocalists of a comparable fluency are also invited to audition. Please see further details on the Department of Music website. Applicants to MH103 will be sent full details on the assessment process in March annually by the Department of Music. Offers will be made to successful applicants in May, subject to students attaining matriculation requirements in the Leaving Certificate or equivalent examination.

Course Structure

1st year

- 45 credits of Music
- Choose 1 other subject, which may include Critical Skills, from Subject Groups 1, 3, 4 or 6. See p. 29.

2nd & Final year

- Concentrate on Music only
- Students may apply to study overseas after 2nd year (on Erasmus or Study Abroad) and graduate with a BA (International) after 4 years. See the International Office website for details.
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

Sample Modules

1st year

- Performance
- Introduction to Music Studies
- Music Traditions and Repertoires
- Music Creativity and Technique

2nd year

- Performance (solo and ensemble)
- Electronic Music Composition
- Music and History
- Music and Film
- Irish Traditional Music

Final Year

- Performance (solo and ensemble)
- Composition
- Music Therapy
- Popular Music Studies
- Music and its Sources

You might also like

- Music and Music Technology in Arts (MH101) - see section 1

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BA Psychology

CAO Code: **MH106** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **481**

Places: 25

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work placement: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & 3rd language

Accredited by the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI)

Degree Overview

- This degree is accredited by the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) and is suited to students who are interested in studying the human mind and behaviours with the rigours of scientific testing.
- Psychology is the scientific study of mental life and behaviour. It involves topics such as:
  - Brain and Behaviour
  - Social Psychology
  - Cognitive Psychology
  - Developmental Psychology
  - Psychological Research Methods
- Choose this degree if you would like to study psychology along with two arts subjects in first year – examples of available subjects include languages such as German, Nua-Ghaeilge and Spanish along with subjects such as Philosophy, Law, Anthropology and Sociology.
- You will concentrate on psychology only in second and third year.
- Students use research methods including observation, measurement, hypothesis testing, experimentation, logical inference and statistical analysis.
- For those who wish to pursue a career as a professional psychologist, this PSI-accredited degree opens up a variety of study options and career paths.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Choose from a variety of career paths, both within and outside psychology: for students who aim to pursue a career as a professional psychologist, an undergraduate degree is the first stage in professional training that will require an additional two to six years of study and supervised experience.
- Examples of professional psychologists include:
  - clinical psychologists who provide comprehensive mental and behavioural health care across the lifespan
  - educational psychologists who promote better understanding of children's and young people's strengths and needs, and support and enhance schools' systems
  - organisational psychologists who identify solutions to problems that improve the well-being and performance of organisations and their employees
- A variety of career paths outside of psychology are also open to graduates. Some graduates choose to pursue postgraduate conversion courses in different fields of interest.

Course Structure

1st year

- Psychology plus 2 other subjects, 1 of which may be Critical Skills in 1st year – choose from Subject Groups 1, 3, 4, 5 on p. 29 (maximum one per group)

2nd & 3rd year

- At the end of 1st year, students who do not wish to continue with MH106 have the option of transferring to the Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) and continuing with their other 2 Arts subjects, or with Psychological Studies and another subject as a Double Major
- Students who remain in MH106 concentrate on Psychology in 2nd and 3rd year
- Option of an Elective in 2nd year

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Biological, Cognitive, Social and Developmental Psychology and Individual Differences
- Introduction to Research Design and Analysis in Psychology
- Introduction to Practical Experimental Psychology

2nd year

- Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology, and Brain and Behaviour
- Professional Issues and Considerations in Psychology
- Practical Experimental Psychology
- Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

Final year

- Psychology of Learning
- Social Psychology
- Neuropsychology
- Criminal Psychology
- Critical Analysis in Contemporary Psychology
- Mental Health

You might also like

- Psychological Studies in the Bachelor of Arts MH101 p. 62

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BSocSc Bachelor of Social Science

CAO Code: **MH107** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **326**

Places: 70

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes - subject to availability

Work placement: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & 3rd language

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Social Science degree (BSocSc) if you want to study Social Policy – the core subject of this degree. Social Policy is only available to study in the BSocSc degree, and it focuses on:
  - government and institutional policies concerned with human needs and welfare - in the broadest sense
  - how these needs are addressed
  - how human societies are organised
  - the social forces, institutions and ideologies that shape society
  - the factors that influence the wellbeing of individuals, families, communities, and countries
  - social class, gender and race
- As a double major degree programme, along with Social Policy, you choose one of the following subjects: Sociology, Philosophy, History, Anthropology, Geography or Economics and you study both equally for all three years of the degree.
- You will be introduced to the social professions, including:
  - social work
  - community work
  - youth work
- By studying the BSocSc, clear pathways to postgraduate study in these areas are opened. Postgraduate opportunities in social policy are also available.
- Students develop the ability to analyse contemporary social issues and policy responses in areas such as:
  - poverty and social exclusion
  - environmental justice
  - criminal justice
  - housing
  - migration
  - racism and anti-racism
  - child and family
  - ageing
  - gender
- A key focus is on addressing inequality and promoting human rights.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates can take the National Qualification in Social Work at master's level (for more information visit www.coru.ie). This degree is prescribed as the basis for undertaking a master's in social work.
- Social policy is the basis for careers in policy research and policy analysis.
- Graduates pursue careers in policy analysis, social research and social professions (social work, community work and youth work), the civil service and the charitable sector.
- Our graduates are also found in management and public administration, the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector, journalism, the media and social research.
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

1st year

- The core subject is Social Policy – only available in the BSocSc degree
- Social Policy, Sociology, Critical Skills for Social Sciences and 1 of the following subjects: Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History or Philosophy

2nd & Final year

- Continue with Social Policy and 1 of your 1st year subjects as a Double Major Bachelor of Social Science degree
- Option of an Elective in 2nd year

Sample Modules

1st year

- Critical Skills for Social Science e.g. analysis, communication
- Social Policy – an introduction
- Sociology (Contemporary Irish Society, Sociological Imagination)
- Studies in one other subject

2nd year

- Social Policy
  - Advanced Social Policy
  - Policy Research and Analysis
  - Child and Family Policy
  - Civil Society, Activism and Advocacy Influencing Policy
  - Case studies in social policy for criminal justice
  - Comparative and European Social Policy
  - Education Policy
  - The Social Professions (Social Work, Community Work, Youth Work)
- Studies in one other subject

Final year

- Social Policy
  - Social Policy and Gender
  - Social Policy and Ageing
  - Social Policy and Welfare States in Times of Change
  - Environment, Sustainability and Social Justice
  - Dissertation
  - Political Economy of the Welfare State
- Studies in one other subject

You might also like

- Sociology in the Bachelor of Arts MH101 p. 63
- MH116 BSocSc Community and Youth Work p. 124

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BA Media Studies

CAO Code: **MH109** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **337**

Places: 40

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work placement: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, a third language & H5 English

Degree Overview

- By choosing our Media Studies degree you will:
  - gain practical experience through hands-on instruction in creative media practice
  - use critical and creative thinking in your practice of media design and production and interactive storytelling
  - combine creative and practical storytelling with the development of a critical understanding of media - a vital skill since media industries are constantly expanding, with new platforms emerging each year and new issues materialising like AI or fake news
  - learn to critically analyse a range of media forms in society, culture and politics
  - research and analyse media cultures, genres and industries as well as the role of media in society and politics
- You will develop your employability and professionalism through your exploration of media industries and careers.
- You will also broaden your educational experience by studying Media Studies along with an arts subject (such as a language, a business subject, social sciences, computer science and more).
- Media Studies can be combined with Computer Science allowing you to develop a broad expertise in Media Technologies.

We work in conjunction with our industry partner Kairos Communications Ltd who offer students the experience of learning media practice from experienced professionals.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates emerge with a range of practical, critical and transferable skills that enhance their employability in areas including:
  - film
  - television and radio production
  - social media
  - marketing, PR and communications
  - web and graphic design
  - content creation
  - media research
  - IT
- Our graduates have taken up positions at RTÉ, Virgin Media, BBC One, Cartoon Saloon, Brown Bag Films, Microsoft, Accenture, BBDO, Netflix and The Irish Times. In addition, graduates have become independent creative professionals in filmmaking, content creation and social media.
- The Department offers postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Media Studies theory and practice modules
- Choose 2 other subjects from Subject Groups 1-5. The only compatible double subject is Mathematics (Pure). See p. 29 - maximum 1 subject per Group.

2nd & Final year

- Media Studies and another subject either as a Double Major or Major/Minor
- 2nd year optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)

Erasmus/study Abroad option after 2nd year

Sample Modules

1st year

- Introduction to Media & Cultural Studies
- Media Design
- Documentary Production

2nd year

- TV Studio Production
- Interactive Storytelling
- Media and Cultural Theory
- Digital Marketing Content Creation
- Media, Society and Politics

Final year

- Short Film Production
- Live Radio Production
- Podcasting
- Global Cinema
- Media and Cultural Industries
- Media and Cultural Work

You might also like

- Media, Film & Cultural Studies in the Bachelor of Arts MH101 p. 56

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BA Creative Writing and English

CAO Code: **MH111** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **356**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:	Work placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:	Transfer
34	3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)	Yes – subject to availability	No	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, a third language and H5 English	from MH101 into this degree - see p. 43

Degree Overview

- The BA in Creative Writing and English offers you the opportunity to develop critical and creative skills within one programme, which is innovative not only for its integration of two intertwined subjects, but for its industry links and its teaching practices.
- As a student of Creative Writing and English, you will learn:
  - how to develop your creative writing (fiction/ poetry/memoir/creative non-fiction) through intensive workshops
  - the practicalities of creative literary industries
  - about the development of literary genres and practices
  - about the conditions that shape literature – from history and geography to questions of gender, race, sexuality, and class

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of the BA in Creative Writing and English will be equipped with:
  - skills in creative thinking
  - the ability to formulate, present and disseminate complex ideas
  - excellent communication skills
  - a highly-tuned sensitivity to language usage
  - the ability to tell and organise stories in compelling ways
  - an understanding of how to inhabit alternative viewpoints and outlooks

  As such, you will be well prepared for the world of work and will have the capacity to be flexible, inventive and adaptable in your chosen career.
- Maynooth University's Department of English includes award-winning creative writers as well as internationally-acclaimed scholars of Irish, American, Arab, African, and global literatures. We offer MA programmes in Literatures of Engagement and in Creative Writing, and also offer PhDs in Creative Writing and in critical literature.

Course Structure

1st year

Semester 1

- Students take modules in Creative Writing and English:
  - Introduction to Creative Writing
  - Foundational English 1 (Prose)
  - Climate Fiction
- Plus choose 1 other subject, which may include Critical Skills, from the available Subject Groups 1, 2, 4 or 5. See p. 29.

Semester 2

- Students take modules in Creative Writing and English:
  - Introduction to Creative Writing
  - Foundational English 2 (Poetry and Drama)
  - Literary Criticism and Theory
- Continue with the other subject.

2nd year and Final year

- English and Creative Writing
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)
- Erasmus/Study Abroad option after 2nd year

Sample Modules

1st year

Introduction to Creative Writing: This module is a foundational workshop that provides Creative Writing and English BA students with a grounding in key elements of structure, technique and form through writing practice, including fiction, creative non-fiction, and poetry. The course assists students in establishing and developing their writing practice through exercises and assignments, as well as through reading and through the giving and receiving of feedback.

Climate Fiction: This module considers climate fiction or 'cli-fi'. It examines how writers and artists represent the climate crisis, how they confront its scale, how they urge us to move beyond the anthropocentric and imagine nature, and how they engage readers ethically, with an emphasis on individual and collective responsibility.

2nd year

Specialist Module in Creative Writing: This workshop will be led by the Maynooth University Kildare Arts Writer-in-Residence, with content and genre determined by their expertise. Past holders of this position, in place since 2015, are novelists Louise O'Neill and Booker Prize winner Paul Lynch, now a member of staff. The Writer-in-Residence will deliver a seminar / workshop series that examines, for instance, the genre of the novel, with classes analysing selected examples and supporting students to generate material in a workshop setting. The module offers the opportunity to learn from experts in their fields, enhancing student understanding of form and developing their analytical skills while also working to produce original work in the specified genre.

Experiential Learning: This module sees students gathering practical experience of the creative literary industries in Ireland, exposing them to key elements and aspects of a literary life (for example, book launches, literary festivals, book podcasts, literary journals). Assessment in this module aims at the practice of useful skills for those in the creative industries and the production of relevant project-work.

Final year

Literary Festival/ Journal Production: In their final semester, students will work as a cohort to stage a mini-festival/event series or to produce a literary journal. With guidance from lecturers and staff, students will take on different roles in their production(s), which will align with student interests and further their practical experience.

Final Year Project: In addition to their coursework, each student will work with a supervisor to develop and submit a thesis, an extended piece of writing, in their final year: a collection of poetry; a series of short stories; an extract of a novel; or an extended piece of creative non-fiction. Co-supervision with members of other Departments where appropriate to the project/ practice will be supported.

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BSocSc Community and Youth Work (full-time)

CAO Code: **MH116** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **Not applicable**

Places: 25-30

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Work placement: Yes – fieldwork placements integral to programme

Mature Applicants: 23 years or older on January 1st of the year of entry. See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Professionally accredited by: **NSETS** (North/South Education and Training Standards) **AIEB** (All Ireland Endorsement Body for Community Work, Education and Training)

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English. *Strict CAO application deadline of 1st February.

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability. We encourage students to consider undertaking international fieldwork placements in years 2 or 3.

Degree Overview

- The BSocSc Community and Youth Work is a professional qualification in community work and youth work, dual endorsed by AIEB and NSETS.
- Community work and youth work are both concerned with the achievement of social change. This programme combines the full-time level 8 degree with a supervised block fieldwork placement each year, creating a unique and transformative learning environment. This provides a solid foundation for practical learning, critical reflection, and readiness for employment in the sector.
- A range of topics relating to community and youth work are studied in all three years of the programme, in a small group setting, with and from others who are committed to making the world a better place.
- Students are taught by a highly experienced, committed and passionate staff team who will challenge and support students to reach their potential as professionally qualified youth workers and community workers.
- The Department of Applied Social Studies (DAPPSS) is the longest established provider of professional education and training in youth work and community work in the Republic of Ireland.
- This programme is for you if you are passionate about and committed to social and environmental justice and want to work in solidarity with those affected by human rights denial, poverty and inequality.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates find employment in a range of community and youth work organisations and agencies such as:
  - community development projects
  - urban and rural development groups
  - environmental justice groups
  - youth projects
  - organisations concerned with particular groups (e.g. women, Travellers, LGBTQ+) or issues (e.g. global citizenship education, Human Rights, unemployment, migrant rights, drugs, poverty etc.)
- Graduates enjoy a wide range of options to continue their study at postgraduate level.

Application procedure

As a restricted-application course, entry to MH116 BSocSc Community and Youth Work is not based on CAO points. The application process is designed to assess applicants' potential to develop as professional practitioners. All applicants are invited to Maynooth University to complete a written exercise. Applicants who have a disability and who may require exam supports should refer to page 161. The selection process also includes an individual and group interview, which take place at Maynooth University in April 2027. Applicants attending interview will be asked to bring one work-, volunteer-, or study-related reference.

Work placement opportunity

Note 1: 50% of places are reserved for appropriately experienced mature students.

Note 2: Any offer of a place on this programme is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Course Structure

- The MH116 degree is a level 8 honours degree and professional qualification in Community Work and Youth Work. It combines on-campus study of a range of topics relevant to community and youth work with off-campus full-time block supervised fieldwork practice. Classes run from early September to late May each year with an attendance requirement of 80%.
- Students are required to complete 520 hours of full-time block supervised fieldwork in each year of the degree. This will involve evening and weekend work. All students complete fieldwork practice in both community work and youth work.

Sample Modules

1st year
- Community and Youth Work Principles and Practices
- Introduction to Social Sciences
- Youth and Community Arts
- Practice Skills Development
- Fieldwork Practice

2nd year
- Community and Youth Work Issues and Policies
- Professional Studies
- Applied Social Sciences
- Practice Skills Development
- Fieldwork Practice

Final year
- Research for Practice
- Social Science Context of Practice
- Critical Issues in Practice
- Professional Development
- Fieldwork Practice

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BSc Product Design and Innovation

CAO Code: **MH305** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **326**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
40	4 years	Yes – subject to availability	Yes – subject to availability	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English and O3/H7 Mathematics plus 3 other subjects

Degree Overview

- Join a programme with a track record of international success, including winners and shortlists for The James Dyson Award, IDI Graduate Award for Medical Device Design, CUMULUS Green Award, Creative Conscience Commendation for Product Design, and the Enterprise Ireland Student Entrepreneur Awards.
- Using Design Thinking and research-led approaches, you will learn to create products that are functional, feasible, and environmentally responsible, responding to real needs in society.
- In your third year, you can choose a six-month work placement or Erasmus/study abroad allowing you to expand your portfolio of experience.
- This is a hands-on, studio-based programme combining project work, workshops, CAD lab sessions, and group activities. Expect:
  - real clients, professional briefs and industry-linked projects
  - meaningful experience within real-world constraints
  - individual and team projects, building confidence in your ideas while developing collaboration skills
  - experience in visualisation, sketching, 3D modelling, digital rendering and prototyping, using a range of traditional and digital tools
  - creative, analytical, and practical skills development
  - a strong understanding of materials, manufacturing, and human-centred design
  - research-active designers and entrepreneurs leading your learning
- The interdisciplinary nature of the programme draws on engineering, business, and social innovation, preparing you to tackle complex design challenges with creativity, technical ability, and commercial awareness.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Our graduates are equipped with the skills and knowledge to contribute to a wide range of fields, including:
  - product design
  - User Experience and User Interaction (UX/UI) design
  - service design
  - agri-tech
  - medical device development
  - furniture and homeware design
  - digital marketing
  - user research
  - roles focused on design-led innovation
- Product designers shape how we interact with products, services, and systems. As design plays a key role in addressing technological and social change, this degree prepares students to think critically, act creatively, and collaborate effectively across the fields of design, engineering, and business.
- Many continue their studies through the Department's range of postgraduate programmes.

Work placement opportunity

Final Year Degree Show showcases the work of graduating students to industry and the public

Course Structure

- As a specialised 4 year Bachelor of Science degree in Product Design and Innovation, a range of technology, marketing and design subjects are taken in all years.
- In third year, students may choose either to undertake a six-month, full-time work placement in a relevant employment setting, or to participate in the Erasmus/Study Abroad exchange programme by completing a semester at a third-level partner institution within the EU or at a non-EU partner university through Erasmus+ (subject to availability).

Sample Modules

1st year
- Design Principles and Introduction to Design Thinking
- Design Sketching and Visualisation
- Design Studio Practice (hands-on projects)
- Materials and Manufacturing Processes
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD)
- Electronic Systems Project (introduction to embedded electronics)

2nd year
- Design Studio Practice (project-based learning)
- Usability, Ergonomics and Aesthetics (designing for people)
- Visual Communication and Portfolio
- Design History and Culture
- Service Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Optional: Digital Marketing or User-Centred Software Engineering

3rd Year
- Design Ethnography (user research)
- Human-Computer Interaction (digital interface design)
- Design for Manufacture and Sustainability
- Design Process and Industry Projects
- Industry Work Placement or Erasmus/Study Abroad

Final year
- Advanced Materials and Design for Manufacture
- Systematic Design Methods (innovation strategies)
- Group Design Project (industry collaboration project)
- Final Year Individual Project

You might also like

- MH306 BSc Robotics & Intelligent Devices p. 114
- MH411 BBS/BBA Entrepreneurship p. 91

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Bachelor of Arts – part-time, flexible learning

(two part-time evening degrees for mature* students aged 21 years or older only)

CAO Code: **MH804** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **Not applicable**

Teaching Council Accredited - BA Adult, Community and Further Education stream

- BA Equality and Community Studies
- BA Adult, Community and Further Education

Places: 50 (MH804)

Course Length: BA Equality and Community Studies: 4.5 years (part-time) BA Adult, Community and Further Education: 6 years (part-time)

***Mature Applicants:** Leaving Certificate not applicable - applicants must be 21 years or older on 1 January of the year of entry. Application through the CAO. Selected candidates are invited for interview. See our website for details.

QQI Link: No

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

OPC (Open Choice Option): Decision on choice of MH804 degree stream is made at registration in September.

SUSI Part-Time Fee Scheme
This course is eligible for funding under the SUSI Part-Time Fee Scheme for specified undergraduate courses. Eligible students may apply to SUSI for a fee contribution towards the cost of this approved part-time undergraduate course. Further information on eligibility criteria, income thresholds and how to apply is available on the SUSI website: https://www.susi.ie/funding-for-part-time-undergraduate-courses/

Degree Overview

- If you are a *mature applicant considering an interdisciplinary part-time, evening degree (some daytime options are available), you will be interested in our MH804 BA programmes. When you start at Maynooth University, you choose one of the degree options:
  - BA Equality and Community Studies
  - BA Adult, Community and Further Education
- If you have previous learning, you can fast-track to the degree award through the University's Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) system.
- This is a 4.5 or 6 year programme, with defined core modules. From year two onwards, you can choose from a range of optional modules.
- If you have been out of the education system for some time, you will benefit from dedicated study skills and student support throughout the degree.
- These degrees are led by the Department of Adult and Community Education in collaboration with Maynooth University academic departments which may include:
  - Applied Social Studies
  - History
  - Geography
  - Anthropology
  - Sociology
  - Classics
  - Centre for Irish Cultural Heritage
  - Nua-Ghaeilge

BA Equality and Community Studies

Focuses on community work, addiction and recovery, social justice, youth studies, development, adult education, politics, society and culture.

BA Adult, Community and Further Education

If you are interested in understanding how adults learn, education across the lifespan, design and delivery of Adult Education programmes, and are working in, or seeking to work in learning contexts across community and further education, then this degree is for you (Teaching Council accredited).

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

BA Equality and Community Studies

- The community, voluntary and statutory sectors.
- Adult and further education and training, community development, teaching, drug and alcohol services, civil service and non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

BA Adult, Community and Further Education

- Teaching in a range of further education settings including in colleges of further education, adult learning centres, YouthReach, community education, prison education, National Learning Network, private providers.
- Education positions in NGOs and in the tertiary sector.

The Department of Adult and Community Education offers a range of postgraduate study options which are popular with our graduates.

Sample Modules

BA Equality and Community Studies

- Community work principles and processes
- Anti-Racism in Community Work
- Delivering EDI within Organisations
- Substance Misuse and Dependence
- Disability Studies
- Group Facilitation Skills

BA Adult, Community and Further Education

- Reflecting on equality, diversity, and inclusion
- Urban Society: global processes in local settings
- Adult Learning in groups
- Philosophy of Adult Education
- Curriculum Studies and assessment methods

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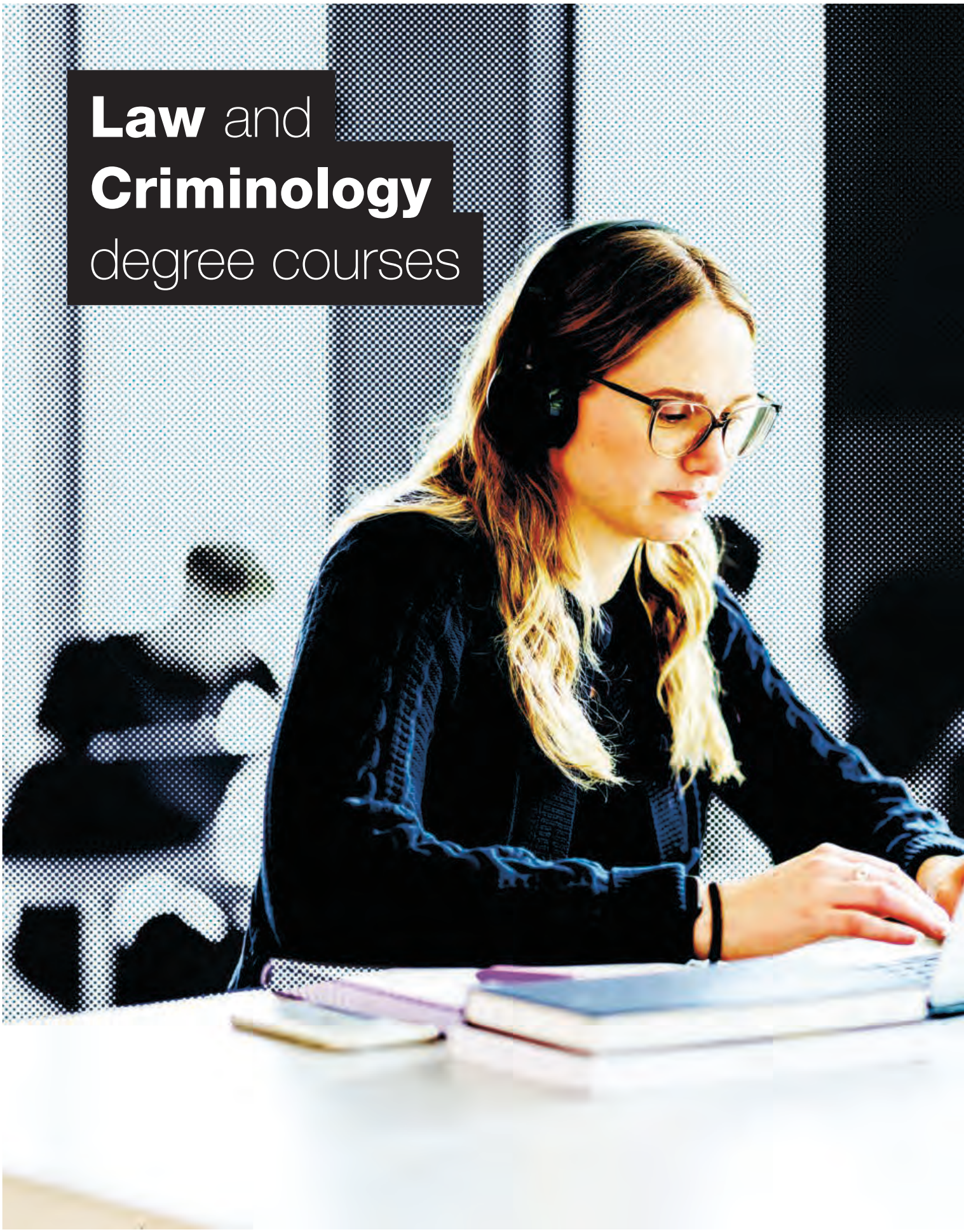
MH305 BSc Product Design and Innovation Graduate

National Winner for Ireland (2025) of the prestigious James Dyson Award for her invention Lymphia

I chose the BSc Product Design at Maynooth University because the course draws from multiple fields, including business, marketing, design, sociology, and engineering, which was perfect for me as I wasn't sure what I wanted to study, I just knew I liked being creative.

It turned out to be the perfect degree to develop technical skills across so many disciplines, from social ethnographic field research to design history to electronic engineering, and that is where the course truly excels.

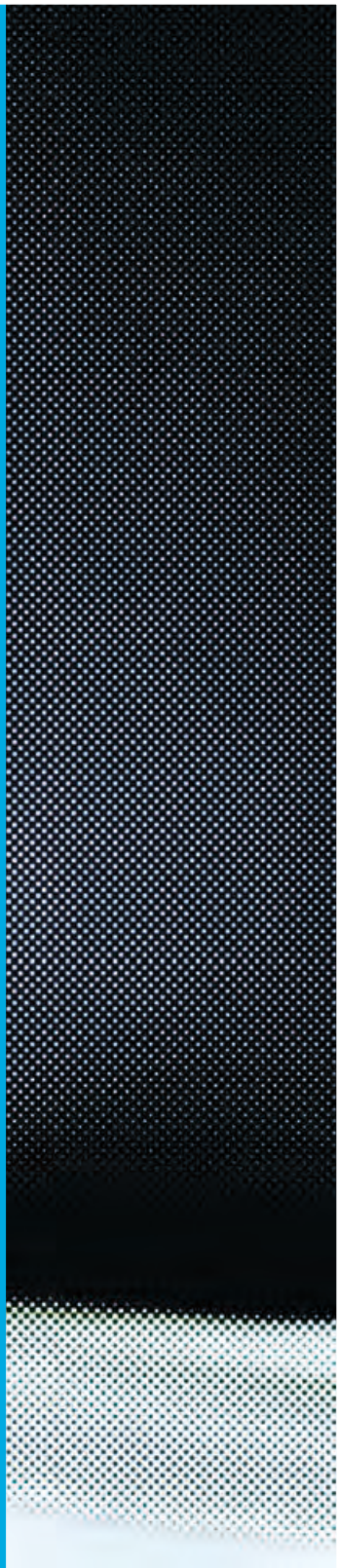
Law and **Criminology** degree courses





Law and **Criminology** degrees

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MH502 OPC	You can choose OPC (Open choice to any degree stream) on your CAO application and make up your mind on your chosen degree stream during the first four weeks of semester one (provided you meet the minimum entry requirements for that stream).	
MH503	BCL (Law and Languages)	**135**
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	Criminology, languages and Law also available in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1	



LLB Law

CAO Code: **MH501** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **453**

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Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:	Transfer
60	4 years	Yes – subject to availability	Yes – subject to availability**	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English	from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the four-year LLB degree if you want to study law in depth and detail.
- This innovative programme, almost exclusively in law, is accredited by the Honorable Society of the King's Inns.
- Students may apply to complete a work placement year in a law firm or a year studying abroad at one of our international partner institutions – both options are subject to availability.
- MH501 provides students with a wider selection of law modules than the three-year BCL degree (MH502):
  - acquire a thorough grounding in the fundamental areas of legal study
  - future-proof your degree with modules in Law and Technology
  - choose from a broad range of specialist modules such as Law and Biotechnology, Tax Law, and Media Law
- Enhance employability by developing:
  - your faculties for argument, reasoning and for the analysis of complicated ideas
  - your verbal and written advocacy skills through applied modules such as legal skills, negotiation, dispute resolution
- Student societies such as the Law Society, European Law Students' Association or Student FLAC (Free Legal Advice Centre) Society are all valuable additions to our students' university experience.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of the LLB are eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor) and the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister).
- Studying law also opens up a whole range of career options outside of being a lawyer such as careers in:
  - civil and public service
  - policy development
  - business and finance
  - management consulting
  - the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector
  - national and international public administration (such as with the EU or UN)
- The School of Law and Criminology offers a wide range of postgraduate study options including Criminology, International Business Law and International Justice.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

- You concentrate on the study of Law through a wide range of legal subjects for each of the four years of the programme.
- Students take the core modules required for professional legal training, but also choose from a wide range of optional modules.
- A number of modules focus on developing critical skills (legal writing, advocacy, and communication skills).
- You can apply for a work placement in a law firm, or for a year studying abroad, during your degree (subject to availability).

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules such as Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, and Contract Law
- Legal Skills
- Critical skills modules, like Legal Writing and Advocacy
- Practical modules, like Negotiation

2nd year

- Core modules such as EU Law, Administrative Law, and Law and Technology
- Optional modules, like Commercial Law and International Law
- Practical modules, like Moot Court

3rd year

- Core modules such as Property Law, Equity, and Evidence
- Critical skills modules, like Dispute Resolution
- Optional modules include Media Law, Environmental Law, Sports Law, and Family Law

Final year

- Business and Finance (e.g. Tax Law, Banking and Financial Law)
- Human Rights and Justice (e.g. Migration and Human Rights, Criminology)
- Options such as Intellectual Property Law, Law and Biotechnology, Introduction to Chinese Law
- Company Law

You might also like

- Law and Criminology in the Bachelor of Arts degree MH101 - see Section 1

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BCL (Law and Accounting)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWA** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Accredited by Chartered Accountants Ireland, ACCA and CIMA

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Places: 200 (MH502)

Course Length: 3 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English & 04/H7 Mathematics*
*Students admitted to MH502 are required to have minimum O4/H7 Mathematics to register for LWA

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply)

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject - in this case accounting.
- This three-year degree is jointly accredited by both the legal and accounting professions. Avail of exemptions (upon graduation) from:
  - CAP 1 examinations from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland
  - equivalent examinations from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) professional accounting bodies
  - equivalent CTA examinations from the Irish Tax Institute (ITI)
- Students will gain a strong grounding in both law and accounting subjects. For the three years of this programme, students take Law and Accounting in equal measure, making this degree particularly attractive for those considering a career in either of these fields.
- You can apply for a work placement in a law or accounting firm, or for a year studying abroad, during your degree (subject to availability).
- You will acquire key financial and accounting skills alongside a thorough grounding in core law subjects.
- Become a highly sought-after law and accounting graduate with the technical and transferable skills needed to succeed in your chosen career. Enhance your employability by developing your faculties for argument, reasoning and for the analysis of complicated ideas.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Embark on the route to becoming a professional in accounting or law, both of which offer a rewarding career with international mobility and high earning potential:
  - accounting – you will be in a position to enter professional training and avail of exemptions from professional tax and accounting bodies
  - law – you will be eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor) and the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister).
- The numeracy skills, coupled with an ability to think critically and analytically, which are developed on this programme, are invaluable assets in a wide range of careers. Graduates have successful and rewarding careers in accounting, banking and the financial services sector generally, as well as financial research and teaching.
- Many of our students continue to further postgraduate study in a very wide range of Law, Business, Accounting and Finance subjects at Maynooth University.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

- Accounting is taken jointly with Law for the three years of the programme, with a wide range of accounting and legal subjects being studied.
- Students take the core modules required for professional legal and accounting careers, but also choose from a range of optional modules. No prior knowledge of accounting or law is required, as we teach both subjects from first principles.
- A number of modules focus on developing critical skills (legal writing, advocacy, financial literacy and communication skills).
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year. Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules, like Criminal Law, Contract Law, Introduction to Accounting, and Fundamentals of Finance
- Critical skills modules, like Legal Research Methods
- Practical skills, participating in mock trials

2nd year

- Core modules, like Company Law, EU Law, Financial and Management Accounting and Taxation
- Critical skills, analysing materials in tutorials and seminars
- Practical skills, like participating in negotiation

Final year

- Core modules, like Property Law, Equity, Management Accounting, Financial Accounting and Finance
- Critical skills, analysing the philosophy of law, and the ethics of corporate governance
- Choose from a range of options, including Media Law, Employment Law, and Environmental Law

You might also like

- Specialised Accounting degrees - see section 3
- Other BCL Law degrees and our LLB degree - see section 8
- Accounting and Law as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BCL (Law and Business)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWB** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Places: 200 (MH502)

Course Length: 3 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English & 04/H7 Mathematics*
*Students admitted to MH502 are required to have minimum O4/H7 Mathematics to register for LWB

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply)

Transfer from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject - in this case business.
- This degree is accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns.
- Students have the option of taking a four-year degree with a work placement or study year abroad (subject to availability), thus combining what they learn in university with insights into industry (legal or commercial) or another culture.
- The combination of both law and business allows students to develop a thorough understanding of both disciplines, and is ideal for those who may wish to run their own practice, to work in a setting where law is applied, to work in a business itself, or to practice commercial law.
- Business is the way by which every product and service you use in daily life is developed, promoted and delivered on the global stage. This degree provides students with insights into the core functions of business and how they interact to create value for and capture value from clients and customers.
- Our law and business students are offered unparalleled flexibility and choice. Students who successfully complete first year can choose from the following options:
  - → continue in MH502 BCL Law and Business
  - → transfer into the second year of the LLB degree (MH501)
  - → transfer into the second year of the BBS Business and Management degree (MH404)
- The BCL focuses on developing students' faculties for argument and reasoning, for clear thinking, for the analysis of complicated ideas and for understanding the commercial context in which the law operates. Graduates are equipped with an excellent skill-set that enhances employability and career options.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This degree combines the best elements of the University's degrees in business and in law to ensure students graduate with the maximum range of career options:
  - → graduates are eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor)
  - → graduates are eligible to take the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister)
  - → business graduates are consistently among the most employable in the Irish education system. This degree opens a range of career options in the commercial world such as in general management, service, IT and management organisations, consulting, journalism, policy development, the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector, and national and international public administration.
- Both the School of Business and the School of Law and Criminology offer a range of postgraduate programmes in related fields.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

- Business is taken jointly with Law for the three years of the programme, with a wide range of business and legal subjects being studied.
- Some students may choose to complete a work placement or study abroad year between 2nd and final year and graduate after the 4th year. Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

- Students who successfully complete the 1st year of the programme have the option of transferring into the 2nd year of the LLB degree (MH501) or 2nd year of the BBS Business and Management degree (MH404). An introductory accounting module must be taken in semester 1 of 2nd year (in the case of the latter degree).

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules, like Business Models and Marketing, and Criminal Law
- Critical skills modules like Legal Research Methods, and Managing Innovation
- Practical skills, participating in mock trials

2nd year

- Core modules, like Company Law, EU Law, Human Resource Management, and Data Management Skills
- Develop critical analysis skills in tutorials and seminars

Final year

- Core modules, like Property Law, Equity, Strategic Management, and Sustainable Business Management
- Critical skills, like analysing the philosophy of law
- Choose from a range of optional modules including Innovation Management, Media Law, Environmental Law, Contemporary Issues in Marketing, and Project Management

You might also like

- MH101 Law and Business as subjects in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1
- Our range of specialised Business degrees - see section 3

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BCL (Law and Criminology)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWC** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

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Places: 200 (MH502) | **Course Length:** 3 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability | **Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability** | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165 | **Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English | **OPC (Open Choice Option):** Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply) | **Transfer** from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject - in this case criminology.
- This degree is accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns, and we are one of the few universities in Ireland to offer the option of studying law with criminology as part of an accredited law degree.
- Students have the option of taking a four-year degree with a work placement or study year abroad (subject to availability), thus combining what they learn in university with insights into industry (legal or commercial) or another culture.
- Our law students are offered unparalleled flexibility and choice. Students who successfully complete first year can choose from the following options:
  - ➔ continue in MH502 BCL Law and Criminology degree
  - ➔ transfer into the second year of the LLB degree (MH501)
  - ➔ transfer into the second year of the BA Criminology degree (MH504)
- Through studying Criminology, students examine the causes of crime and society's reaction to criminality. Faculty include leading international experts in the field with research interests in policing, restorative justice, gender, ethnicity, human trafficking, victimology, terrorism, and mental health.
- This is a unique interdisciplinary programme offering perspectives from:
  - ➔ sociology
  - ➔ psychology
  - ➔ anthropology
- Students acquire a thorough grounding in the fundamental areas of legal study including:
  - ➔ foundational legal principles
  - ➔ legal systems
  - ➔ the role of Irish, European, and international law

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of this degree enjoy a range of career options:
  - ➔ graduates are eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor)
  - ➔ graduates are eligible to take the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister)
  - ➔ graduates with an interest in law can broaden their career prospects into the criminal justice world, opening potential careers in the Gardaí, security services, data analytics, probation, the prison service, the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector and research institutes.
- The School of Law and Criminology also offers a range of postgraduate study options in related fields.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Law is taken jointly with Criminology for the 3 years of the programme, with a wide range of legal and criminological subjects being studied.
- In 1st year you will take 30 credits of Law, 15 credits of Criminology and 1 other subject, which may include Critical Skills, from the Subject Groups on p. 29. Students who successfully complete the first year of the programme have the option of transferring into the second year of the LLB programme (MH501), or the second year of the BA Criminology (MH504).

2nd year and Final year

- Continue with 30 credits of Law and 30 credits of Criminology in each of 2nd and 3rd year.
- You may apply to complete a work placement year, or to study abroad, after 2nd year, and graduate after 4 years. Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Core modules such as Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, and Contract Law
- Exploring Criminology: What is crime? What is theory and why is it important? Spotlights on key crime categories such as homicide and terrorism and key skills to study criminology at university level.
- Introduction to different models of criminal justice and the key personnel (police, judiciary, prison officers) involved in the criminal justice system.

2nd year

- EU Law and Company Law alongside various law options
- Core modules such as Criminological Theory, Policing, and Crime and the Media
- Optional modules such as Gender and Crime; Cybercrime, Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System

Final year

- Property Law and Equity alongside various law options
- Core modules such as Punishment, Penal Policies and Prisons
- Optional modules such as Victimology, Psychology of Terrorism, and Criminal Psychology

You might also like

- BA Criminology p. 136
- Criminology and Law in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see section 1

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BCL (Law and Arts)

CAO Code: **MH502 LWD** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

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Places: 200 (MH502) | **Course Length:** 3 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability | **Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability** | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165 | **Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English | **OPC (Open Choice Option):** Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH502 degree stream (entry requirements apply) | **Transfer** from MH101 into this degree - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- Choose the Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL) degree if you would like to study a three-year degree in law combined with one other subject, such as a language or another area within the humanities and social sciences – choose from the available subjects from the table on page 29 (excluding group 1).
- This law degree is accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns. Students receive an excellent grounding in core law subjects, while also retaining the flexibility to customise their own academic path.
- Students may apply to complete a work placement year in a law firm (subject to availability) or a year studying abroad at one of our international partner institutions (subject to availability).
- Our law students are offered unparalleled flexibility and choice. Students who successfully complete first year can choose from the following options:
  - → continue in MH502 BCL Law and Arts degree
  - → transfer into the second year of the LLB degree MH501

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Graduates of this degree enjoy a range of career options:
  - → graduates are eligible to take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor)
  - → graduates are eligible to take the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister)
- Studying law also opens a range of career options in addition to being a lawyer such as careers in:
  - → civil and public service
  - → policy development
  - → business and finance
  - → management consulting
  - → the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector
  - → national and international public administration (such as at the EU or UN)
- The School of Law and Criminology offers a wide range of postgraduate study options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Law
- Up to two other subjects (one of which may be Critical Skills) from the available groups - see p. 29

2nd year and Final year

- Continue in 2nd and 3rd year with at least 30 credits of Law and 30 credits of your chosen subject from 1st year (excluding Critical Skills).
- You may apply to complete a work placement year, or a study abroad year, after 2nd year, and graduate after 4 years (subject to availability). Students who successfully complete the 1st year of the programme have the option of transferring into the 2nd year of the LLB programme (MH501).
- Students who opt to spend a year studying abroad are awarded a BCL (International) degree

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- The nature of legal systems, and how laws are made nationally and internationally
- The role of lawyers, judges, legislators, and other actors in the legal system
- The laws relating to crime, negligence, and privacy

2nd year

- The laws relating to evidence, and building a legal case
- The laws relating to business and companies
- EU and international law

Final year

- The laws relating to the family, media, and property
- International law and justice
- The theory of laws and legal systems

You might also like

- Law and Criminology in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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BCL (Law and Languages)

CAO Code: **MH503** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **400**

Accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns

Places: 50

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – integrated

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English. Students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge as part of their degree must have at least a H4 in Irish.

Transfer from MH101 into this degree (subject to satisfying transfer requirements) - see p. 52

Degree Overview

- The BCL (Law and Languages) is a four-year degree in law combined with French, German, Nua-Ghaeilge or Spanish, opening a range of employment prospects within and beyond Ireland – as a graduate you will have a unique set of skills that will enable you to work between two legal jurisdictions.
- This law degree is accredited by the Honorable Society of King's Inns.
- You will receive an excellent grounding in core law subjects, while also developing your linguistic competence and intercultural awareness.
- Gain international experience through an integrated study abroad programme at one of our European or international partner institutions.
- Source a work placement in a country where your chosen language is spoken - placements are optional and are subject to approval and registration with the University's Careers and Employability Service.
- Depending on your choice of language, the degree includes all the required modules needed for law, and a suite of modules in your chosen European language:
  - modules in French, German and Spanish Law and specialised modules relating to law and the Irish language
  - classes in legal translation and vocabulary
  - additional opportunities to continue the study of other modern languages in first year and/or take up a new language as a beginner in second year
  - students taking Nua-Ghaeilge will be expected to combine a Gaeltacht placement or Irish-language work placement of one semester with an Erasmus study placement abroad of one semester in third year.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- As a graduate of this programme, you are eligible to:
  - take the Law Society's FE-1 entrance examinations (necessary to access training as a solicitor)
  - take the entrance examinations for the King's Inns' Barrister-at-law degree programme (necessary to access training as a barrister)
- You will have the opportunity to develop a strong capacity for analytical and critical thinking as well as strong linguistic skills and a keen sense of cultural awareness, opening up career opportunities such as in:
  - multinational companies and law firms based in Ireland or abroad; international agencies
  - the public and civil services in Ireland and the EU as legal translators and interpreters
  - various EU institutions who require the services of lawyer-linguists, i.e. European citizens with a degree in law and excellent knowledge of several European languages
- The School of Law and Criminology offers a wide range of postgraduate study options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Law
- 30 credits of language study - students can choose from French, German, Nua-Ghaeilge or Spanish. French, German and Spanish can be taken at beginners' or post Leaving Certificate-level.

2nd year

- Continue in 2nd year with at least 30 credits of Law and 30 credits of your chosen language.

3rd year

All students undertake a study abroad programme after 2nd year.

- Students can opt to spend their year studying abroad or a combination of both study abroad and work placement in a country/region where the language they are studying is spoken (not guaranteed and subject to approval).
- Nua-Ghaeilge students can opt for time abroad, a semester in the Gaeltacht and/or an Irish language work placement/internship (subject to approval).

Final year

- After spending a year studying or on work placement abroad, and completing year 4, students qualify with a 4-year BCL (International) degree.

Sample Modules

1st year

- The nature of legal systems, and how laws are made nationally and internationally
- Introduction to Legal Research and Professional Skills
- Introduction to Comparative Law

2nd year

- EU and Company Law
- Introduction to French/German/Spanish Law
- Legal Language & Legal Translation
- Irish Language and the Law

Final year

- The laws relating to the family, media, and property
- The theory of laws and legal systems
- Legal Language & Legal Translation

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BA Criminology

CAO Code: **MH504** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **380**

Places: 25 | **Course Length:** 3 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** Yes – subject to availability | **Work Placement:** Yes – subject to availability** | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165 | **Leaving Certificate:** 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish & English | **Transfer** from MH101 into this degree - see p. 41

Degree Overview

- Criminology can be described as the study of crime, criminal behaviour and society's reaction to it.
- In this unique, three-year interdisciplinary degree programme, you will study criminology in depth, equipping you with the skills to examine criminal behaviour and understand what drives it. You will study perspectives from:
  - sociology
  - psychology
  - anthropology
  - law
- Maynooth University is one of only two universities in the Republic of Ireland offering the opportunity to study Criminology as a single major degree.
- In first year, students acquire a thorough theoretical understanding of crime, both in an international and Irish context.
- This is built on in second and third year when students take core modules in subjects such as prisons and policing, as well as optional modules in line with their interests.
- You will learn from leading international experts in the field with research interests in prisons, policing, restorative justice, gender, ethnicity, human trafficking, victimology, terrorism and mental health.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This programme allows students to explore career prospects in the criminal justice world, opening up potential careers in:
  - the Gardaí
  - security services
  - data analytics
  - probation
  - the prison service
  - the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector
  - research institutes
- The skills you will gain from studying Criminology, such as a focus on evidence and data-based inquiry, are also highly transferable to other areas, including
  - law
  - journalism
  - social research
  - social work
  - counselling
  - community work
  - policy analysis
  - public administration
- The School of Law and Criminology also offers a range of postgraduate study options in related fields including the MA in Comparative Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Criminology (group 2 and group 7)
- Up to 2 other subjects (one of which may be Critical Skills) from the available groups - see p. 29

2nd year

- At least 50 credits of Criminology
- Optional 10 credit Elective
- Optional work placement or study abroad after second year – subject to availability
- Students who take at least 15 credits of Law in year 1 of MH504, and who pass 1st year, are eligible to transfer into year 2 of the MH502 BCL Law and Criminology degree or year 2 of the MH501 LLB degree.

Final year

- 60 credits of Criminology.

**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Sample Modules

1st year

- You concentrate on the study of Criminology through a wide range of criminological modules for each of the three years of the programme.
- Core modules such as: Exploring Criminology, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Thinking Like a Social Scientist, and Criminological Classics

2nd year

- Students take a number of core modules but can also tailor the degree to suit their interests through a wide range of optional modules.
- Core modules such as Policing, Research Methods, Criminological Theory, and Crime and the Media
- A range of optional modules including perspectives from anthropology (Forensic Anthropology), sociology (Society and State) and Criminology (Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System, Gender, Crime and Criminal Justice; Cybercrime and Technology)

Final year

- Core modules such as Punishment, Penal Policies and Prisons
- A range of optional modules such as: Criminal Psychology, Victimology, Psychology of Terrorism, Politics of Mass Incarceration, Forensic Anthropology, Miscarriages of Justice

You might also like

- Law, languages and Criminology in the Bachelor of Arts degree - see Section 1

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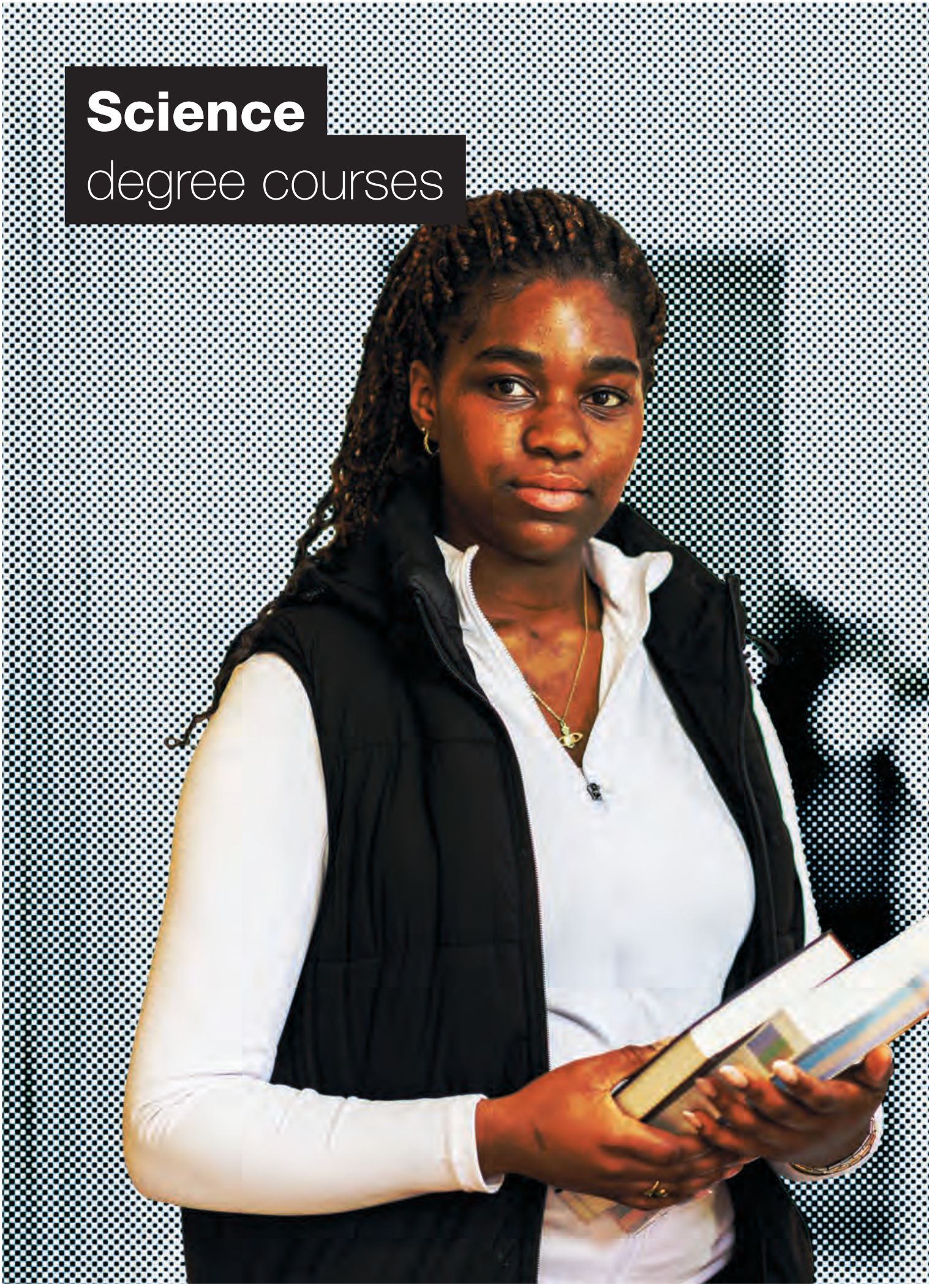
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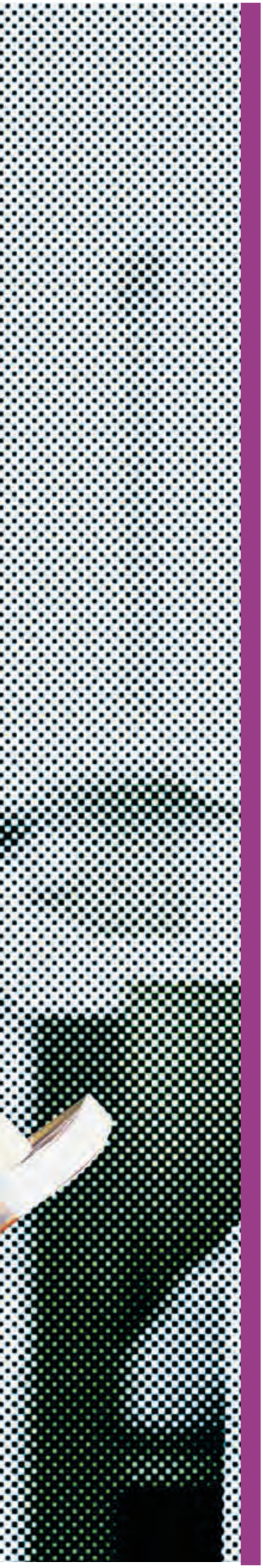
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My degree is professionally-accredited and offers great flexibility, which is exactly what I wanted. I was always interested in pursuing accounting, and the combination with law provides essential skills for a career in either field.

I was selected to take part in the Pinsent Masons Insight Exchange Programme, launched by the School of Law and Criminology, which introduced me to professionals working in tax and corporate law - career areas which really interest me.

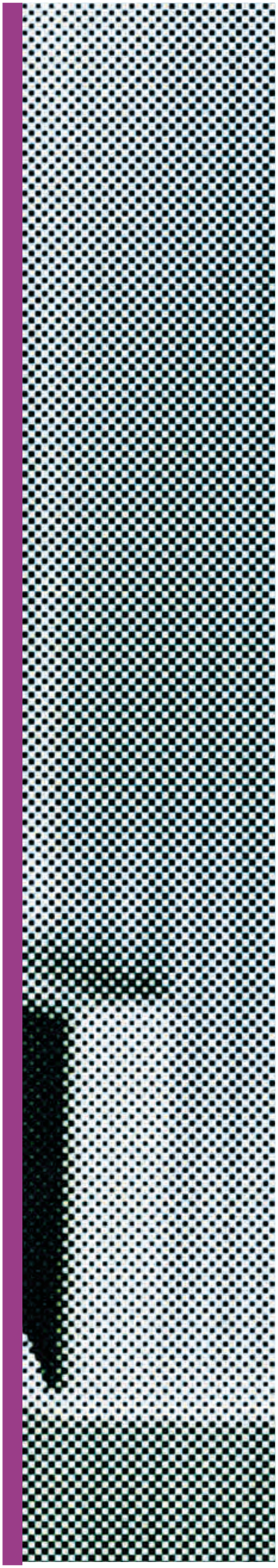
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BSc Biotechnology

CAO Code: **MH202** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **423**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
35	4 years	No	Yes – subject to availability	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & a Science subject (i.e. Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- Biotechnology is where science meets innovation, using biology to tackle global challenges from disease and food security to climate change and energy.
- This is a multidisciplinary field that combines biology, chemistry, genetics and other sciences.
- You will study core disciplines such as:
  - molecular biology
  - immunology
  - microbiology
  - biochemistry
  - cell biology

  as well as applied areas including:
  - genetic engineering
  - bioethics
  - molecular diagnostics
  - bioprocessing of food and drugs
- Professional placement: you will complete a work placement at the end of your final year, based on availability, strengthening your prospects of securing employment after graduation. Placement locations include leading domestic and international biotechnology companies.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Ireland has a world leading biopharmaceutical sector with exports worth over €100 billion and employing over 50,000 people. The majority of Maynooth University Biotechnology graduates are in full time employment in this and related sectors.
- Biotechnology is a global industry, and graduates are in high demand in a range of sectors including:
  - biopharmaceuticals
  - healthcare
  - agriculture
  - food production
  - environmental science
- Our graduates often pursue further study and the Department of Biology offers a range of postgraduate courses.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and 1 other Science subject (Data Science, Experimental Physics or Mathematical Physics)

2nd year
- Concentrate on Biotechnology, Chemistry and either Mathematics or a Physics subject, depending on 1st year choices
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Focus mainly on Biotechnology and Chemistry

Final year
- Concentrate on Biotechnology
- Industry work placement (subject to availability)

Sample Modules

1st year
- From cell to organism
- Biological function and diversity
- Chemistry

2nd year
- Biotechnology processes
- Cellular biotechnology
- Biochemistry

3rd year
- Microbiology
- Molecular biology
- Scientific communication

Final year
- Genomics and Proteomics
- Food biotechnology
- Business biotechnology
- Industry work placement (subject to availability)

You might also like

- Biology and Chemistry in BSc Science (MH201) - see section 2

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BSc Biological and Geographical Sciences

CAO Code: **MH203** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **401**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:	Work Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
35	4 years	Yes – subject to availability	Yes - subject to availability	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics & O6/H7 Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Geography, Physics or Physics with Chemistry)

Degree Overview

- Creating effective solutions for the climate and biodiversity crises requires a blended understanding of how organisms, the environment and climate interact together.
- Over four years, this programme integrates cutting-edge themes in geographical and ecosystem science:
  - Exploring how the dynamic planet Earth supports a diversity of climates, landforms, ecosystems and species
  - Investigating how human activity is impacting on the environment from a local to a global scale
- You will also learn state-of-the art technical skills informed by the latest research at MU and beyond, including:
  - Climate Science
  - Environmental Biology
  - Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
  - Advanced Field Skills
  - Ecosystem Functioning
  - Microbiomes
  - Remote Sensing
  - Molecular Ecology
  - Landscape Processes
  - Data Science and Visualisation
- Our students benefit from the international strengths, advanced technical competency and expertise of both the Biology and Geography Departments. Expect to obtain integrated training in the applied areas of:
  - environmental data acquisition
  - experimental observation and analysis

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- You will learn key transferable skills, all valuable in future careers, including:
  - independent thinking and analysis
  - working with data
  - advanced technical writing
  - presentation skills
  - group-working and leadership
- Examples of careers for graduates of this degree include:
  - environmental consultancy
  - geographical information systems officer
  - data scientist (environment and natural resources)
  - careers in science publishing and communication
  - biology careers in research, healthcare and conservation
- Graduates can also continue their studies with a PME and become a post-primary teacher of Biology and Geography to Higher Level Leaving Certificate and Junior Certificate Science.
- Both the Department of Biology and the Department of Geography offer a range of postgraduate study options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- 15 credits each of Geography, Biology, Mathematics AND either 15 credits of Introduction to Data Science OR Experimental Physics

2nd year
- 20 credits of Biology
- 20 credits of Geography

Choice of
- 20 credits of Data Science

OR
- 20 credits blended Data Science, Critical Skills (Communication) and Options

3rd year
- Concentrate on Biological AND Geographical Sciences (30/30 credits), OR choose to also continue with Data Science (20/20/20 credits)

Final year
- Concentrate on Biological and Geographical Sciences and associated research activities (thesis) and/or a short work placement - subject to availability

Sample Modules

1st year
- From Cell to Organism; Biological Function and Diversity; Living Landscapes or Global Environments; Differential Calculus; Introduction to Data Science

2nd year
- Biogeography, Climatology, Geographical Methods
- Intro to Statistics, Data Analysis, Using R for Statistics and Data Science
- Evolutionary Biology; Environmental Biology; Introduction to Field Ecology Methods, Animal Physiology

3rd year
- Geographical Information Systems; Climate Change; Oceanography; Geomorphology; Remote Sensing; Paleoecology; Animal Behaviour; Microbiology; Ecology; Field Studies in Geography and Ecology; Plant Responses to the Environment; Data Visualisation

Final year
- Food Security and Sustainability; Behavioural Ecology; Molecular Ecology and Biogeography; Advanced Palaeoecology; Ecological Climatology and Modelling; Field-Scale Remote Sensing; Global Challenges

You might also like

- Biology in the BSc Science (MH201) - see p. 71
- Geography in the BA Bachelor of Arts degree (MH101) - see p. 48

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BSc Physics with Astrophysics

CAO Code: **MH204** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **401**

Places: 35

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & a Science subject (i.e. Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 Mathematics

Transfer from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

Degree Overview

- Interested in astronomy, cosmology, celestial systems, and astrophysics? The Physics Department have developed a special 4-year course which combines the study of physics and astronomy.
- Many of your lecturers specialise their research in observational astronomy, theoretical modelling of black hole formation, analysis of Dark matter, Cosmology and the development of astronomical instrumentation.
- The University has a long tradition of excellence in physics and astrophysics.
- You will study astronomical instrumentation and data analysis techniques used to make the exquisitely sensitive observations needed in modern astrophysics.
- Field trips and scientific visits are organised to astronomy facilities such as the European Space Agency (ESTEC, the Netherlands), Jodrell Bank & SKA HQ (UK), Armagh Observatory & Dunsink Observatory.
- Final Year students are offered a week observing at the L'Observatoire d'Haute Provence (France) to gather data for a final year astrophysics project.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- You will receive an excellent grounding in all the core areas of experimental physics & astrophysics, opening all the career opportunities available to physicists.
- Astrophysicists find employment in high-tech industry and in areas where analytical and problem-solving skills are valued. Graduates have progressed to roles in organisations including:
  - European Space Agency (ESA)
  - Met Éireann
  - St Luke's Hospital Dublin
  - Intel
- Astrophysicists can find challenging and rewarding careers in astrophysics and in other fields such as medical physics, computational physics, forensic science, meteorology, environmental and climate physics.
- The Department of Physics offers a range of postgraduate study options and this option is especially suitable for those wishing to pursue research careers, either in industry or academia.

Course Structure

1st year
- Physics with Astrophysics
- Mathematics
- Choose 2 other Science subjects (Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering Science, Mathematical Physics) (Note: students taking Engineering Science must also take Computer Science. Students may take Computer Science and not take Engineering Science. See p. 69 for full details about subject combinations in MH201)

2nd year
- Physics with Astrophysics
- Continue with 2 of your 1st year subjects - 1 full subject, 10 credits in the 2nd
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Physics with Astrophysics
- Continue with your other subject

Final year
- Students take Physics with Astrophysics only

Sample Modules

1st year
- Introduction to Classical Physics: Mechanics, Physics of Heat, Electromagnetism and Optics
- Introduction to Atomic, Molecular and Nuclear Physics
- Introduction to Astrophysics: Solar System, Stars and Galaxies

2nd year
- Electricity and Magnetism
- Physical Optics and Astronomical Instrumentation
- Mechanics and Thermal Physics
- Quantum Physics
- Astronomy

3rd year
- Celestial Mechanics and Relativity
- Stellar Structure and Evolution
- Quantum Mechanics
- Applied Electromagnetics
- Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics
- Introduction to Computational Physics

Final year
- Radio Astronomy and the ISM
- Cosmology
- Planetary Science
- Statistics and Data Analysis
- Computational Optics
- Electromagnetic Radiation
- Physics of Atoms and Quanta
- High Energy Astrophysics
- Individual (Astrophysics) Project

You might also like

- Experimental Physics in the BSc Science (MH201) - see p. 76

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BSc Biomedical Science

CAO Code: **MH205** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **451**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:	Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK, EU & International Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:	Transfer
70	4 years	Yes	Research Lab Project Opportunity	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 in Mathematics	from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

Degree Overview

- Biology is the study of life, from the fundamental building blocks of our genes to the largest animals that inhabit our planet; how living things work – how they interact with one another and their surroundings, and how they change and evolve; and it involves the application of biomedical science to clinical research.
- Biomedical science seeks to:
  - → understand disease processes and how new therapies might be developed
  - → utilise fundamental biological knowledge to advance clinical research
- The degree is broadly similar to the pre-clinical component of a medical degree. You will learn how to:
  - → use analytical and technical procedures to monitor and improve human health
  - → investigate disease processes
  - → ask questions, make observations, and analyse evidence – in theory work and through practical laboratory sessions
  - → present and communicate findings clearly while developing computer literacy and research skills
- In first year, you will benefit from the opportunity to study either:
  - → a Bachelor of Arts subject such as Economics, Spanish or Anthropology
  - → a Bachelor of Science subject

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Academic staff in the Department of Biology enjoy international reputations and expertise in bioinformatics, cancer biology, cell biology, immunology, medical mycology, microbiology and molecular genetics. Many of our graduates pursue taught master's courses in a variety of areas such as biotechnology, molecular medicine, immunology or microbiology or research degrees (MSc or PhD) in fundamental science or clinical research.
- Graduates also obtain employment in the pharmaceutical or life science industries.
- This degree does not provide the qualification required to work as a medical scientist in a hospital diagnostic laboratory.

Research Lab Project Opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Maths
- Science or Arts subject

Science subjects:
- Chemistry
- Computer Science or
- Experimental Physics

Arts subjects
- Anthropology
- Business (International)
- Business (Management)
- Business (Marketing)
- Economics
- Spanish

2nd year

- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Maths or Science subject taken in 1st year (Chemistry, Computer Science or Experimental Physics)
- Optional 10 credit from Elective Streams available in 2nd year

3rd year

- Biology
- Biomedical Science

Final year

- Biomedical Science

Sample Modules

1st year

- From Cell to Organism
- Human Biology
- Biological Function and Diversity
- Mechanisms of Human Disease

2nd year

- Biochemistry
- Animal Physiology
- Cellular Biotechnology
- Molecular Biology
- Human Physiology & Disease

3rd year

- Introductory Immunology
- Molecular Biology 2
- Proteomics
- Bioinformatics
- Neuromuscular Disease

Final year

- Lab project/Lit review/Adv Practical
- Advanced Immunology
- Tumour Biology
- Translational Clinical Research
- Medical Mycology

You might also like

- Biology in the BSc Science (MH201) - see section 2

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BSc Theoretical Physics and Mathematics

CAO Code: **MH206** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **500**

Places: 10

Course Length: 3 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: No

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: No

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & a Science subject (i.e. Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & H2 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- This is an advanced three-year programme, designed for students with a very strong interest in theoretical physics and mathematics. We focus on developing mathematical models, computational simulations, and abstract frameworks to explain the fundamental laws of nature.
- By combining these disciplines, you do not just learn how to use mathematical tools; you learn the deep, fundamental reasons why those tools exist, as most high-level mathematics was invented specifically to solve physics problems.
- Choose this degree if you are interested in the entire physical world, from the microscopic to the cosmic, studying topics such as:
  - Quantum Physics
  - Quantum computing and information
  - Elementary particles
  - Superconductivity
  - Neural Networks
  - Black Holes & Cosmology
  - Matter in extreme conditions
- You will develop a deeper understanding of the various areas of modern mathematics - including analysis, algebra, geometry, and topology - and learn how to think hard and rigorously about mathematical questions and the fundamental theories of physics.
- You will get experience in
  - multivariable & vector calculus, linear algebra & matrix mechanics, differential equations and complex analysis
  - numerical analysis and scientific computing & statistical modelling

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Theoretical physicists and mathematicians are suitable for a wide range of occupations, not only in high-tech fields, but also in areas where analytical and problem-solving skills are valued.
- Graduates progress into careers in areas such as:
  - research and development
  - quantitative finance
  - machine learning & AI
  - quantum computing industry
  - computing and software engineering
  - advanced analytics
- Graduates are prepared for research in mathematics and theoretical physics and their applications in science and technology. Many of our graduates move on to postgraduate study and research at our university or major international universities.
- We also offer a MSc in Theoretical Physics & Mathematics as postgraduate option for MH206 students.

Course Structure

- Accelerated 3-year degree
- Students enter directly into the 2nd year of the standard 4-year Mathematical Physics programme, and take a more challenging Mathematics programme beginning in first year
- Students concentrate on Theoretical Physics and Mathematics for each of the 3 years of the degree
- Given the accelerated nature of this programme, a H2 grade in Leaving Certificate Mathematics is required for entry. You require 50% in Maths (Pure) to proceed to 2nd year. You continue with Mathematical Studies in 2nd year if you attain less than 50%.

Sample Modules

1st year

- Relativity
- Electromagnetism
- Thermal physics
- Analysis
- Linear algebra
- Multivariable calculus

2nd year

- Quantum mechanics
- Statistical mechanics
- Computational physics
- Real and complex analysis
- Group theory
- Rings and fields

Final year

Students take 60 credits from modules in Theoretical Physics and Mathematics. The 60 credits can be divided between the two subjects with at least 20 credits in each subject.

- Advanced electromagnetism
- General relativity
- Quantum information processing
- Topology
- Differential geometry
- Number theory

You might also like

- Mathematical Physics and Experimental Physics in the BSc Science (MH201) - see Section 2

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BSc Data Science

CAO Code: **MH207** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **413**

Places: 10 | **Course Length:** 4 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** No | **Work Placement:** No | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** No | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & a Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O1/ H5 Mathematics

Transfer from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

Degree Overview

- This degree focuses on the science of collating, managing, analysing, visualising and understanding data. Data science is key to unlocking the hidden wisdom that is stored in the vast amounts of data available in today's world.
- In this degree you will learn to appreciate the overlap between eliciting valuable information from data through statistical reasoning and managing databases via complex manipulations.
- If you want to play a central role in solving the world's critical problems through data or play an influential role in developing the next generation of Artificial Intelligence, then this degree programme is for you.
- Over the course of this programme, studying Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics, students become equipped with skills including:
  - collecting and managing large volumes of raw data
  - developing statistical models and understanding their mathematical underpinnings
  - unlocking valuable information stored within local, national and global datasets

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Data literacy is one of the most highly sought after skills by employers in today's data driven world, be it in business, science, health or social sciences and as such, graduates with data science skills are in high demand and are extremely attractive to employers.
- Graduates have the power to make the world a better place through channelling their analytical skills to solving global problems such as climate change, developing new drugs or eliminating world hunger.
- Employment opportunities across a wide range of fields (science, health, business etc.) are abundant for graduates of this degree programme.
- The Department offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Course Structure

1st year
- Students take a specialised Data Science subject alongside Computer Science, Mathematics and choose one other subject from Engineering Science or (additional) Computer Science

2nd year
- Statistics, Computer Science and Mathematics

3rd year
- Statistics and Computer Science are taken

Final year
- Statistics and Computer Science are taken
- Students undertake two capstone projects

Sample Modules

1st year
- Introduction to Data Science 1 & 2
- Introduction to Computer Science 1 & 2
- Linear Algebra
- Calculus

2nd year
- Introduction to Statistics
- Data Analysis
- R for Statistics and Data Science
- Nonparametric Statistics
- Databases
- Algorithms and Data Structures 1 & 2
- Operating Systems, Communications and Concurrency
- Calculus
- Linear Algebra

3rd year
- Probability
- Linear Models
- Time Series
- Programming for Data Science
- Computer Networks
- Software Engineering and Software Process
- Data Visualisation

Final year
- Applications of Complex Models
- Advanced R programming
- Statistical Machine Learning
- Robotics & Automation
- Artificial Intelligence and Language Processing
- Machine Learning and Neural Networks
- Bayesian Data Analysis

You might also like

- Statistics in the BA Bachelor of Arts (MH101) p. 65
- Statistics in the BSc Science (MH201) p. 79

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BSc Psychology (through Science)

CAO Code: **MH209** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **498**

Accredited by the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI)

Places: 23

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – research internship & work placement (subject to availability)

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 in Mathematics

Degree Overview

- This degree is accredited by the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI).
- Psychology is the scientific study of mental life and behaviour. It involves topics such as Brain and Behaviour, Social Psychology, Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology and Psychological Research Methods.
- In third year, you will spend one semester on a research internship, and have the option of spending one semester on work placement or studying abroad (all subject to availability).
- This degree is for students who are interested in studying the human mind and behaviours with the rigours of scientific testing.
- Students use research methods including observation, measurement, hypothesis testing, experimentation, logical inference and statistical analysis.
- For those who wish to pursue a career as a professional psychologist, this PSI-accredited degree opens up a variety of further study options and career paths.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Choose from a variety of career paths, both within and outside psychology.
- For students who aim to pursue a career as a professional psychologist, an undergraduate degree is the first stage in professional training that will require an additional two to six years of study and supervised experience.
- Examples of professional psychologists include:
  - clinical psychologists - provide comprehensive mental and behavioural health care across the lifespan
  - educational psychologists - promote better understanding of children's and young people's strengths and needs, and support and enhance school's systems
  - organisational psychologists - identify solutions to problems that improve the well-being and performance of organisations and their employees
- A variety of career paths outside of psychology are also open to graduates. Some graduates choose to pursue postgraduate conversion courses in different fields of interest.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- Psychology
- Mathematics
- Choose 1 other Science subject from Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering Science or Experimental Physics

2nd year
- Psychology as a Single Major subject
- Optional 10 credit Elective in 2nd year (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- 1 semester on work placement or studying abroad and 1 semester on a research internship

Final year
- Psychology studied as a Single Major subject

Sample Modules

1st year
- Introduction to Biological, Cognitive, Social and Developmental Psychology and Individual Differences
- Introduction to Research Design and Analysis in Psychology
- Introduction to Practical Experimental Psychology

2nd year
- Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology, and Brain and Behaviour
- Professional Issues and Considerations in Psychology
- Practical Experimental Psychology
- Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

3rd year
- Research Internship
- Study Abroad OR Work Placement (subject to availability)

Final year
- Psychology of Learning
- Social Psychology
- Neuropsychology
- Criminal Psychology
- Critical Analysis in Contemporary Psychology
- Mental Health

You might also like

- Psychological Studies in the Bachelor of Arts (MH101) p. 62
- MH106 BA Psychology p. 120

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BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry

CAO Code: **MH210** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **430**

Places: 24

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – research internship & work placement (subject to availability)

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 in Mathematics

Transfer from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

Degree Overview

- If you are interested in how chemistry is used to develop medicines, understand disease, and improve human health, this specialised degree is designed for you.
- Our students benefit from:
  - industry-focused learning – studying topics directly relevant to pharmaceutical and biomedical careers
  - professional work placement opportunity - gaining real-world experience through a six-month placement or internship (subject to availability)
  - career-ready skills - developing expertise in lab techniques, data analysis, analytical thinking, communication, scientific writing and presentation and teamwork
- You will build a strong foundation in chemistry and biology in first year, before moving into more specialised areas such as:
  - medicinal chemistry and drug design
  - biochemistry and molecular biology
  - pharmaceutical analysis and drug action
- In this programme you will receive an excellent education in a range of different aspects of chemistry and explore concepts such as computational, pharmaceutical and medicinal chemistry, drug design and drug formulation.
- Combining chemistry and biology, you will develop a deep understanding of how drugs are designed, developed, and tested, preparing you for a career in one of Ireland's most important and rapidly growing industries.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- The pharma-chemical industry in Ireland employs more than 26,000 people and produces over €100bn in annual exports.
- Chemists work in a wide range of areas including:
  - pharmaceutical companies
  - biotechnology companies
  - cosmetics
  - medical devices firms
  - agricultural, food and drinks sector
- Some of the roles our graduates have progressed into include:
  - laboratory-based quality control
  - research and development
  - manufacture support
  - regulatory positions
- The Department of Chemistry offers a range of postgraduate study options.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- 1 other subject (Computer Science, Experimental Physics or Mathematical Physics)

2nd year
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry Workshops
- Mathematics
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)

3rd and Final year
- Chemistry
- Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry
- Biology
- Work placement/internship (subject to availability)

Sample Modules

1st year
- From Cell to Organism
- Biological Function and Diversity
- General Chemistry 1 & 2

2nd year
- Biochemistry, Molecular Biology of the Cell
- Biotechnology Processes, Cellular Biotechnology
- Organic Chemistry
- Spectroscopy and Analytical Chemistry
- Inorganic Chemistry

3rd year
- Heterocyclic, Carbohydrate and Peptide Chemistry
- Biomedical Chemistry of Drug Action
- Biomolecule Production and Structure Determination
- Introduction to Immunology,
- Molecular Biology

Final year
- Bioinorganic and "F" Block Chemistry
- Medicinal Chemistry and Drug Design
- Medical Mycology
- Work placement/internship (subject to availability)

You might also like

- Chemistry in BSc Science (MH201) - see Section 2

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BSc Science or BSc Mathematics and Computer Science or BSc Mathematics (with Education)

Accredited by the Teaching Council of Ireland

CAO Code: **MH212 SED or MCS or MED** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **422**

Places: 65 (MH212)

Course Length: 4 years + 1 year postgraduate study

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: No

Work Placement: Placement is required

Mature Applicants: Must apply before the 1st February. See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry) & O4/H7 Mathematics*

OPC (Open Choice Option): Up to 4 weeks to decide on MH212 degree stream (entry requirements apply)

Transfer from MH201 into this degree - see p. 70

*Students admitted to MH212 are required to have H4 Mathematics to register for MCS or MED.

Note: An offer of a place on this course is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Degree Overview

- This degree is recognised by the Teaching Council and qualifies graduates to teach up to Leaving Certificate higher level.
- Gain school-based experience to develop skills in planning, implementing and evaluating teaching and learning along with the opportunity to experience the daily life of the school, both inside and outside the classroom.
- There are three MH212 streams and you have up to four weeks following registration to decide on your preferred stream. Choose:
  - **MH212 SED** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary science and/or mathematics teacher
  - **MH212 MCS** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary mathematics and computer science teacher
  - **MH212 MED** - if you are interested in a career as a post-primary mathematics and applied mathematics teacher
- This degree offers a five-year route to post-primary teaching - studying a four-year Science/Mathematics/Computer Science degree, while also completing 60 credits in Education.
- After four years, you will be awarded a level 8 honours degree:
  - BSc Science (with Education) or
  - BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education) or
  - BSc Mathematics (with Education) degree

  You will then have two pathways open to you:

  1. Choose to exit your studies with your level 8 qualification and take a different path in your education or career.

  2. Continue with your studies to become a fully qualified teacher. This means you complete one further year of study at postgraduate level - necessary to meet the Teaching Council requirements to be registered as a Newly Qualified Teacher (NQT) in two subjects. Having graduated with your level 8 degree, you are guaranteed your place in this postgraduate year.
  At the end of year five of your studies, you will have achieved a level 9 professional masters in addition to your level 8 higher degree, qualifying you to teach your chosen subjects to Leaving Certificate level.
- An alternative six-year route to second-level teaching is available. Students can take the BSc Bachelor of Science degree (MH201) for four years and then apply for a place on the level 9 Professional Master of Education degree. The PME is a two-year, full-time programme designed to qualify graduates to teach at post-primary level. Entry to the PME is competitive and is not guaranteed to graduates of the BSc Bachelor of Science degree (MH201).

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Once you have completed this Teaching Council-approved course, you will be qualified to teach to Leaving Certificate level at post-primary schools in Ireland and internationally:
  - MH212 SED: depending on the subjects chosen - teach any two of the following subjects to Leaving Certificate level (HL): mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics
  - MH212 MCS: computer science and mathematics teacher
  - MH212 MED: mathematics and applied mathematics teacher
- Depending on your subject choice, you will also be qualified to teach Junior Cycle mathematics and science.
- If you decide to exit after four years with your level 8 qualification, you can pursue a range of careers and postgraduate courses.
- The Maynooth University Education Department and the Faculty of Science and Engineering offer a range of excellent postgraduate courses.
- Graduates apply to the Teaching Council of Ireland for registration.

You might also like

- BSc Bachelor of Science - see Section 2

Practice Placements

Course Structure

- After four years of concurrent Science and Education studies, students may graduate with a level 8 honours degree in Science/Mathematics/Computer Science (with Education)
- To become a fully qualified science/mathematics/computer science teacher, students must complete a fifth year of study at Masters level – the Professional Master of Education
- Once students reach the required standards after 4th year, the place in 5th year is guaranteed

Course Structure & Sample Modules

1st year
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Experimental Physics
- Mathematics
- Computer Science

2nd year
- Continue with any 2 of your 1st year subjects
- Introduction to Teaching – Critical Reflection on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning
- Foundations of Education

3rd year
- Continue with your 2 chosen subjects (40 credits)
- School-based experience (1 day per week)
- Learning, Teaching, Assessment and Curriculum
- Global Citizenship Education
- Critical Reflections on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning

4th year
- Continue with your 2 chosen subjects (40 credits)
- School-based experience (2 week block in September and 1 day per week in semester 1)
- The Teacher as a Critically Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusion, Diversity and Special Needs Education
- Critical Reflections on Science and Mathematics Teaching and Learning

Final year
- School-based experience (3 days per week in school)
- Teaching, Learning, Assessment and Curriculum: The Practice of Teaching
- Becoming a Teacher
- Lesson Study Research Project

What makes our degree unique

In SED you can choose to study any two subjects from biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics in any combination in year 2.

At the end of year 2 if you decide you do not want to teach, you can move into the BSc Bachelor of Science degree MH201.

At the end of this course you will graduate with an undergraduate BScEd and a postgraduate Professional Master of Education.



Aoife Mullally

Mathematics Teacher in Coláiste na hInse

BSc Mathematics with Education
Professional Master in Education (PME)

MU gave me the mindset that learning is a lifelong process.

Through the experience I gained from school placement, internships with Bank of Ireland's Training and Development team and Vodafone's Data Science team, taking part in the First Lego League workshops, as President of the Art and Craft Society, as Gender Equality Senator with the Maynooth Students' Union, during my work as a demonstrator in computer science and mathematics labs and my work as a tutor in the Maths Support Centre, I had to lead, teach, and represent others. All my experiences helped to grow my confidence.

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BSc Sport Science and Health

CAO Code: **MH221** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **441**

Places: 55

Course Length: 4 years

Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option: No

Work Placement: Yes – (subject to availability)

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics & O6/H7 Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physical Education, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry)

Note: An offer of a place on this course is subject to a satisfactory background check by the National Vetting Bureau.

Degree Overview

- Based on the core scientific disciplines of sport and exercise science including physiology, psychology, biomechanics, coaching and strength and conditioning, this degree considers three core questions:
  - how do we respond to different types of exercise?
  - how can we maximise the effects of training?
  - how can physical activity and exercise reduce and prevent disease and injury?
- With the future of exercise as a clinical intervention, this programme provides a strong scientific foundation for career development in this area, therefore this programme focuses on:
  - the value of exercise and sport for the enhancement of health, as well as performance for athletes
  - in the case of the general population - to help with specific health concerns for the ill, the aging, or those recovering from injury
- Work placement of up to 6-month duration, in Ireland or abroad, during the second semester of third year, subject to availability. As an integral part of the degree, this gives you the opportunity to put learning into practice in a professional setting and significantly improves graduate employability.
- Data is being increasingly used in sport science, enabling personalised exercise interventions to improve health and performance. This programme provides a data science component, including data analytic techniques, to equip you with the skills needed to use data fully for group training and personalised exercise interventions.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- The sports, exercise, health, and well-being sectors are some of the largest service industries in Ireland and globally - ranging from small to large enterprises. In addition, professional and amateur sporting bodies are some of the largest community-based activities in any region. Key to these sectors are professionals with a background in the science of sport, exercise, and physical activity to improve health and performance, and develop new products and services to support athletes and the general population.
- Graduates will be suitably qualified to gain employment in the sports, exercise, health, and well-being sectors, which may include:
  - high performance coach
  - health promotion
  - product and service development in sports and exercise
  - community health and fitness professional
  - sports coach with a club or within the community
- With the strong scientific foundation, students will also be highly employable in other careers in the life sciences and health sector.
- Sport Science and Health graduates may also be interested in further study in areas such as physiotherapy and sports psychology. Graduates may also undertake careers in research and a post graduate MSc or PhD.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

Sport Science and Health (30 credits), Biology (15 credits) and Mathematics (15 credits)

2nd year

- Sport Science and Health (40 credits) and Biology (10-20 credits) with option of second-year Elective (10 credits - see p. 18 for details)

3rd year

- Sport Science and Health (60 credits) including 30 credits of taught modules in first semester and Work Placement (30 credits) in second semester (subject to availability).

Final year

- Sport Science and Health (60 credits) including a capstone final year project (20 credits)

Sample Modules

1st year

- Fundamentals of Exercise Science
- Physiology and Exercise
- Functional Anatomy
- Biological Function and Diversity

2nd year

- Strength and Conditioning
- Cardiovascular and Respiratory Physiology
- Sports Injuries
- Biomechanics for Sport and Health
- Physiological Measurement and Exercise Testing

3rd year

- Advanced Performance Science
- Applied Sports Psychology
- Nutrition for Health and Performance
- Exercise for Health
- Adaptation and Training

Final year

- Technology and Data in Sports
- Sports Nutrition
- Exercise for injury recovery
- Physiological Systems and Elite Performance

Course structure and modules are subject to review. See the website for any updates.

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ask on webchat

BSc Food Science and Human Nutrition

CAO Code: **MH222** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **422**

Places: 25 | **Course Length:** 4 years | **Erasmus/ Study Abroad Option:** No | **Work Placement:** Yes – (subject to availability) | **Mature Applicants:** See p. 162 | **QQI Link:** See p. 163 | **UK, EU & International Applicants:** See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics & O6/H7 Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics or Physics with Chemistry).

Degree Overview

- Choose this degree if you want a broad science-based education, with specialist content on:
  - the future of food development and production
  - food safety and quality assurance
  - food chemistry
  - human nutrition
  - the role of food and healthy living
  - the science of sensory perception and how we experience food
  - the future of food in a diverse society
  - the social and global challenges around food security
- In third year you have an opportunity to undertake a work placement (subject to availability), in Ireland or abroad, putting learning into practice and improving graduate employability. Given the diversity of businesses in this sector, ranging from food production to assurance to development, there are opportunities to apply learning in areas to suit all interests.
- The degree programme explores the future of food, from superfoods that address particular health concerns, to the challenges around obesity, allergies, food security and sustainability. This will give a unique perspective to anyone interested in future food product development and Human Nutrition.

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- The food sector is Ireland's largest industry with a turnover exceeding €25 billion, sustaining over 230,000 jobs. This programme is designed to support careers in both large multinational companies and small custom businesses, as well as exploring the social policy aspects. It will support roles as diverse as product development, public health, food quality assurance and safety. As one of Ireland's largest sectors, graduates are in high demand in all of these areas.
- In Ireland, the focus is shifting from raw ingredients to value-added product development, increasing demand for a skilled workforce across production, handling, and food innovation.
- Graduates of this programme will be able to take up roles in:
  - production management
  - nutrition
  - food quality and safety
  - new product development and research
  - sales and marketing
  - in the public sector such as in the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, and Teagasc or in health-focused charities
- The programme is an excellent preparation for progression to accredited postgraduate programmes in the area of Dietetics, as well as other postgraduate opportunities in the area of public health and social policy.
- There are opportunities for students to undertake research degrees, at Masters and PhD level in a variety of topics in the area of food science and nutrition.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year
- Food & Nutrition, Biology, Chemistry, and Mathematics

2nd year
- Concentrate on Food & Nutrition, Biology and Chemistry
- Optional 10 credit Elective (see p. 18 for details)

3rd year
- Focus mainly on Food Science and Nutrition
- Second semester includes work placement (subject to availability) or other forms of experiential learning

Final year
- Concentrate on advanced topics in Food Science & Nutrition
- A capstone project

Sample Modules

1st year
- Foundations of Nutrition for Health
- Fundamentals of Food Science
- Physiology & Exercise
- From Cell to Organism
- Biological Function & Diversity
- General Chemistry

2nd year
- Nutrition Throughout the Lifespan
- Energy & Metabolism
- Food Chemistry and Analysis
- Food – Trends, Challenges and Opportunities
- Biochemistry
- Molecular Biology of the Cell
- Organic Chemistry
- Physical Chemistry

3rd year
- Food Production Systems
- Food Rheology, Texture and Structure of Food
- Food Microbiology
- Nutrition for Management & Prevention of Disease
- Nutrition for Health and Performance

Final year
- Food Choice - Taste and Flavour Perceptions
- Nutrition & Global Health
- Personalised Nutrition
- Food Safety and Authenticity
- Food Marketing and Product Development
- Food Analysis and Quality Assurance
- Sports Nutrition and Pharmacology
- Functional and Sustainable Foods

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BSc/BBA Business with Sport Science

CAO Code: **MH412** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **451**

Places: 35

Course Length: 3 years (4 years with optional placement or Erasmus/ Study Abroad)

Erasmus/Study Abroad Option: Yes – subject to availability

Work Placement: Yes – subject to availability**

Mature Applicants: See p. 162

QQI Link: See p. 163

UK, EU & International Applicants: See p. 165

Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics

Degree Overview

- Choose the only programme that allows students to combine a full business degree with sports science. MH412 provides you with the unique option of combining Business with sports related content - from practical exercise skills to the science behind human performance and well-being.
- If your ambition is to work in the growing and diverse range of businesses in the area of sports, exercise and well-being, this is the degree for you.
- At the end of second year, you have the opportunity to undertake an accredited business work placement (subject to availability), in Ireland or abroad, which is your chance to put learning into practice and which significantly improves employability upon graduation.
- Alternatively students can pursue Erasmus/Study abroad at the end of the second year.
- The sports, exercise and well-being sector is one of the largest service industries in Ireland and globally. Ranging from small to large enterprises, many are run by sports professionals. These businesses need graduates who can understand:
  - ➜ both the science and practicalities of the sports and exercise sector
  - ➜ the fundamentals of how to create value and make a profit - via services and solutions that meet a variety of customers' needs

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- This is a rapidly growing sector, and there is a demand for graduates that bridge the fields of business and sports. Graduates that have both a deep insight into how to create value for businesses (through business skills) and the science of sports exercise find roles in:
  - ➜ large multinational employers in graduate programmes
  - ➜ public service roles
  - ➜ small and medium sized organisations where you are able to work on contributing to the businesses, domestically and globally
  - ➜ the sports and exercise market - from small local enterprises to large companies that operate sporting enterprises or that supply services to the sports, exercise and health sectors
- Many enjoy sporting activities, but sports and exercise are well known to have mental and physiological benefits. In combination with the business modules, this programme will allow students to understand how sports and exercise can impact on health, allowing graduates to explore how this can be translated into new services and solutions.
- Students can continue to further postgraduate study in a wide range of Business subjects at Maynooth University.

Work placement opportunity

Course Structure

1st year

- 30 credits of Business - foundational knowledge of your business subject
- 15 credits of the sports science modules
- 15 credits of another first year subject (Groups 1, 3 or 4 - see p. 29)

2nd year

- Business - the functional capabilities of your subject, including some optional choices
- 20 credits of sports science modules

Optional additional year

Business work placement or study abroad year between 2nd year and the final year; and graduate after the 4th year.
**The University will support you in the search for a placement job; however, the process is competitive.

Final year

- Business - develop your understanding of the strategic aspects of running a business or service, as well as advanced skills in your chosen Business subject
- 20 credits of Sports Science modules

Sample Modules

1st year

- Business Models and Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour and Management
- Fundamentals of Coaching and Exercise Science
- Functional Anatomy

2nd year

- Human Resource Management
- Brand Management
- Strength and Conditioning
- Introduction to Biomechanics

Final year

- Strategic Marketing in Sport
- Strategic Management
- Sports Injuries
- Exercise for Health

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Yasmin Browne

BSc Business with Sport Science

I gained in-depth theoretical and practical experience in both business and sport science which I apply today in the gym managing client retention, nutrition, coaching and performance.



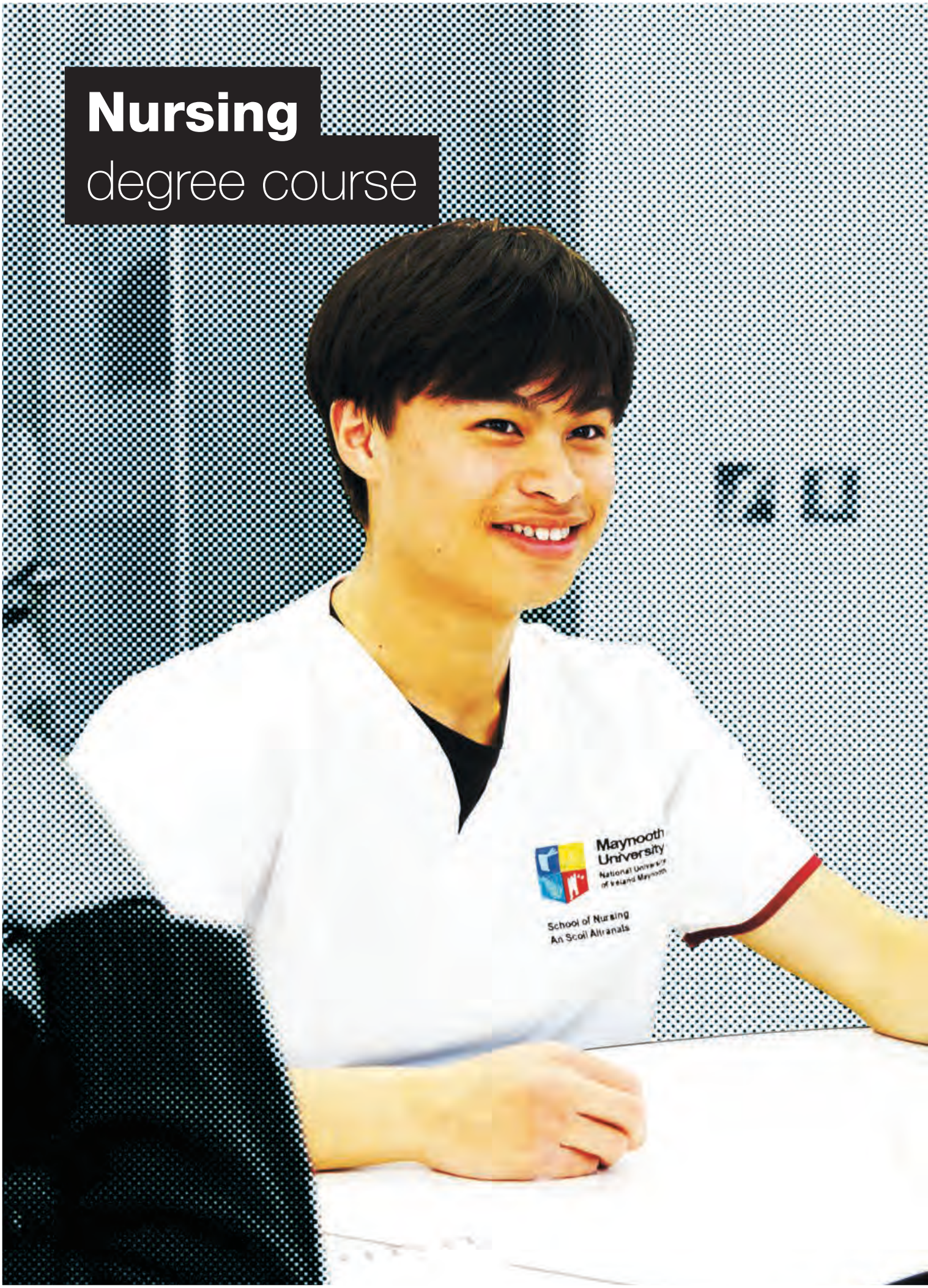
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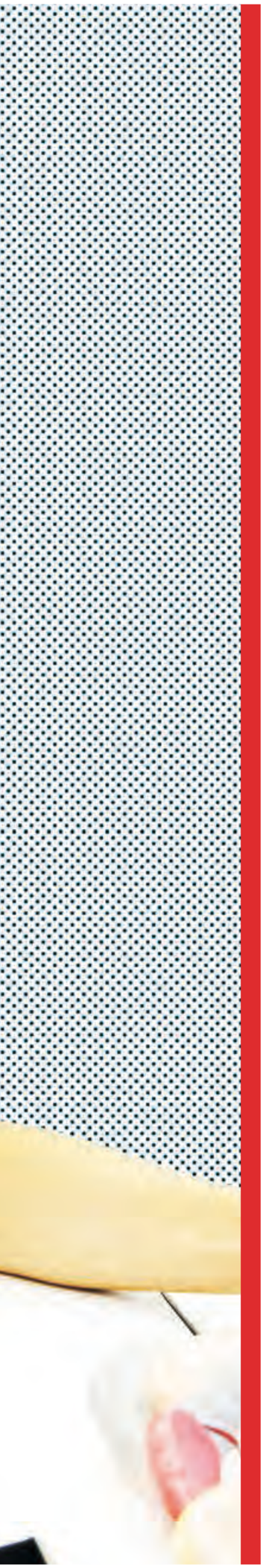
BSc Biomedical Science

Quality Control Analyst with Pfizer

One of the defining moments of my time at MU was participating in the Summer Programme for Undergraduate Research (SPUR). I worked on research in biomolecular computing and travelled to international conferences in Baltimore (John Hopkins University, 2024) and Lyon (ENS Lyon, 2025) to present my work. This research later was accepted into a leading scientific journal and is due to be published soon.

Nursing
degree course





Nursing degree

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BSc General Nursing

CAO Code: **MH701** | Min. CAO Points 2026: **430**

Places:	Course Length:	Erasmus/Study Abroad Option:	Practice Placement:	Mature Applicants:	QQI Link:	UK & EU Applicants:	Leaving Certificate:
75	4 years	No	Yes – required*	See p. 162	See p. 163	See p. 165	2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English, Mathematics, Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or Physics with Chemistry)

* The programme comprises of 50% theory and 50% placement in integrated care, community and hospital settings. Applicants should be aware that the range and geographical spread of placement sites will require them to travel for practice placements at all stages of the programme. Students are entitled to subsistence and travel allowances to offset costs.

Note: All applicants offered a place will be required to have medical screening at different points in the programme. This will include medical assessment, screening and, if necessary, vaccination prior to the first clinical placement. All applicants offered a place will require a background check by the National Vetting Bureau, and must meet the Garda vetting requirements of MU. Applicants may also be required to provide an enhanced disclosure through the completion of an affidavit at the time of registration. Entry to this programme is subject to the MU Fitness to Study/Practise policy. Fitness to practise means having the necessary ability, skills, knowledge, health and character to undertake and complete the programme, safely and effectively. The academic year for this programme extends into June. Practice placement will normally finish mid to late-June.

Accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI)

Degree Overview

- Join our innovative nursing programme which integrates theory, skills practise and practice placements.
- We aim to prepare you as a competent graduate who is confident in your ability to deliver person centred, safe, compassionate, evidence-based, effective and high-quality care across diverse healthcare settings.
- As a graduate of the Maynooth University School of Nursing, our goal is that you will be flexible and adaptable, capable of working in rapidly changing healthcare contexts and settings, a critical thinker and future leader with the capacity to effect change to positively benefit patient and health care.
- As a MU nursing student, you will:
  - → complete a cutting-edge programme designed to meet Ireland's growing population and changing healthcare requirements
  - → be taught by experienced educators and health professionals who work across a variety of healthcare disciplines, settings and research fields
  - → take a programme that actively promotes person-centredness and prioritises clinical excellence using innovative learning and teaching approaches
  - → gain hands-on practice experience across a diverse range of community and hospital clinical settings
  - → learn in our state-of-the-art learning environment with access to a comprehensive range of academic and personal resources to support your learning
  - → complete a degree that will prepare you to work in a variety of practice settings, including hospital and integrated care settings

Career and Graduate Study Opportunities

- Successful completion of the degree programme leads to eligibility to apply to register as a general nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.
- Registered General Nurses have wide-ranging employment opportunities in Ireland, across the EU and beyond.
- Most graduates opt to consolidate their learning by working as a staff nurse in a hospital or community setting.
- Many go on to complete further studies in their chosen specialism, for example, community, emergency or palliative care nursing.
- There are also opportunities to work in different care settings within and outside the HSE, including charities such as Simon and many others.
- With experience and further study, opportunities for advancement include advanced nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, nursing management or nursing education.

Practice Placement

Course Structure

1st year

- Focus on health, the social determinants of health, normal anatomy and physiology, normal ageing, health and social care in community and older persons care settings and the role of the general nurse in these contexts.
- 40 credits: nursing theory and practice modules
- 20 credits: modules (e.g. health psychology, sociology, geography) which broaden students' understanding of health and how people's environments impact their health.
- Practice placements in older persons, integrated care/community, and mental health and learning disabilities settings.

2nd year

- The nursing management of acutely and chronically ill individuals is the major focus, in tandem with a focus on health promotion.
- Placements echo this focus with clinical placements in acute care settings.
- Students will also complete specialist placements in maternity and childcare this year.
- 45 credits: nursing theory and practice modules
- 15 credits: modules (e.g. anatomy, pharmacology, health psychology) focused on broadening students' understanding of people's responses to, and ways of coping with ill-health.

3rd year

- The goal for Year 3 is to facilitate students to integrate and further develop their knowledge and skills.
- 25 credits: nursing theoretical content - addresses areas such as enhanced person-centred health assessment recognising and responding to patient clinical deterioration, clinical decision making and managing a caseload.
- 20 credits: modules to support students' clinical decision making on ethics, legal issues, social policy and pharmacology.
- 15 credits: practice placements this year continue in acute care settings. Students will also complete a 12-week internship in integrated healthcare settings.

Final year

- 30 credits: in their final year (Year 4) students will complete a further 24 weeks of internship, this time in acute care settings. Internship will afford students the opportunity to build their confidence and consolidate their knowledge and skills for caring across the health spectrum and in diverse settings.
- 10 credits: before internship, students will take a module focused on supporting their transition to practitioner
- 5 credits: module on management and leadership
- 15 credits: students will also complete a research project with the support of a lecturer.

BSc General Nursing

Continued

Sample Modules

1st year
- Essential Knowledge and Skills for Nursing Practice 1
- Developing Nursing Practice: Working in Community Settings
- An Introduction to Health Psychology for Nursing
- Geography of Health
- Blended Simulated Practice Experience
- Practice Placement 1

2nd year
- Developing Nursing Practice: Supporting Adults through an Acute Illness
- The Human Body in Health and Illness 2
- Social Practices of Health and Illness
- Practice Placement 2

3rd year
- Essential Knowledge and Skills for Nursing Practice 3
- Ethics in Nursing Practice: Navigating Principles, Dilemmas, and Decision-Making
- Legal Issues for Professional Practice
- Practice Placement 3
- Internship 1

Final year
- Transition to Practitioner
- Clinical Research Project
- Nursing Management and Leadership
- Internship 2 and 3



Natasha O'Kelly

Student, Bachelor of Science General Nursing

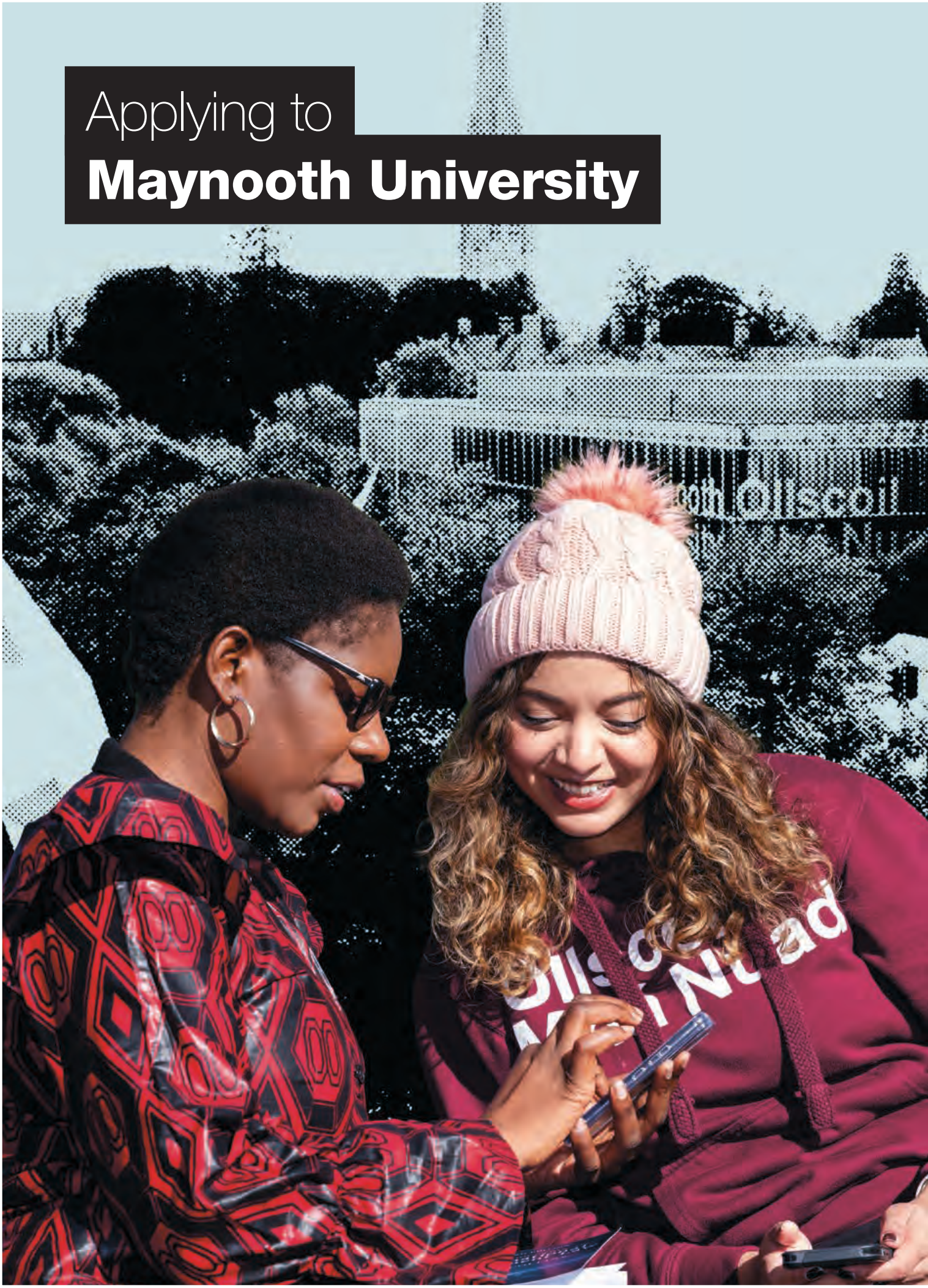
I've worked as a Health Care Assistant in an acute hospital setting for over 10 years; becoming a nurse has been my dream. I finally took the leap, sat the NMBI examination for mature students, and now I am about to complete my first year of the nursing programme.

I like the small class size and the learning environment is uniquely personal and inclusive. This course has exceeded my expectations, the theory learned in class transfers seamlessly to clinical practice, and the community aspect to the programme is equipping me with the knowledge and skills to work across different health settings.

The staff provide exceptional support, combining academic knowledge with practical hands-on learning. Important when returning to study after a long gap.

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Applying to **Maynooth University**





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Leaving Certificate Applicants

Applying through the Central Applications Office (CAO)

If you are under 23, and sitting the Leaving Certificate in 2027, you must apply for your choice of level 8 bachelor's degree through the Central Applications Office (CAO). All applicants (except EU occasional and non-EU students) must apply through the Central Applications Office.
Apply online at **www.cao.ie**

The main deadline for submission of applications is 1st February 2027, and you may apply from early November 2026. A standard fee applies (apply by January 20th for a reduced fee). Late applications are accepted up to 1st May 2027, on payment of an additional fee, however certain degree courses are no longer available for application at this stage. See restricted-application courses opposite for more details. A change of mind facility is available up to 1st July 2027.

On your CAO application you are invited to enter your choice of courses in 'order of preference'. It is essential that you list your selected courses in order of choice. Put your first choice in the number one position, followed by your second and third choice, and so on. The University offers places to applicants in order of merit, once they meet the minimum entry requirements (see page 6-8 for details). The order of merit is calculated based on a points system. Places are allocated to applicants with the required points according to their list of CAO preferences, with applicants who meet the points requirements being offered their course in order of preference. For this reason it is essential that you list your CAO course choices in your genuine order of preference. The University distinguishes between applicants who have equal points by appending a randomly generated number to each score. The combined score/random number is the final determinant of position in the order of merit (this is called Random Selection).

Age Restrictions

In general, students must be 17 years or older by 15th January in the year after entry to the University. If you are younger, you must make a special application to the President of Maynooth University. A mature student is someone who is 23 years or older by 1st January in the year of entry to the University. For part-time degrees the mature age is 21 by the 1st January in the year of entry. For more information on applying as a mature student see page 162.

Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP) Link Modules

Points are awarded as follows:

Distinction	Merit	Pass
66	46	28

Applicants can use their points allocation for the Link Modules as one of their best six subjects for the purpose of calculating points, but the Link Modules do not qualify as a subject for minimum entry requirement purposes.

CAO Points System

Irish Leaving Certificate subjects – scan QR code for grades and points awarded at higher and ordinary level.

All Leaving Certificate subjects carry equal points with the exception of *Mathematics (details below). Points are awarded for your six best subjects in any one year. These do not have to include subjects needed to meet general minimum entry requirements. Minimum entry requirements and course requirements may be satisfied by an accumulation of subjects over more than one year. As well as achieving the required points, you must have a minimum of six subjects in your Leaving Certificate, with two Higher Level subjects at grade H5 and four Ordinary or Higher Level subjects at grade O6/H7.

The requirements for each course are shown in the table on pages 6-8.

* 25 bonus points are added to the points score for a Leaving Certificate Higher Level Mathematics grade H6 or higher. The bonus points are included in the overall points calculation only when Mathematics is one of the applicant's best six subjects following the addition of the bonus.

NUI Language Exemptions

Maynooth University, along with many other universities, have language general entry/matriculation requirements. Before applying for any course it is important to check the minimum entry requirements on the website and also set out on page 6-8 of this prospectus. If you do not meet these requirements and you believe you may be entitled to an exemption, you should make an application to the NUI (National University of Ireland) without delay.

Applicants should review their CAO account to ensure it accurately reflects the exemptions required.

Please note that this refers to an exemption from minimum entry requirements only. Where a course has a specific requirement for a certain grade in Irish, for example, MH001 BEd Bachelor of Education - Froebel Primary Teaching, an NUI exemption will not meet this requirement. **Visit exemptions.nui.ie for all the most up-to-date information about exemptions.**

CAO Restricted-Application Courses 2026

MH103 and MH116 are restricted-application courses at Maynooth University, and have assessment procedures which may commence as early as February 2027. Selection for these restricted-application courses is on the basis of one, or a combination of, a written exercise/interview/online video audition, as well as meeting any matriculation requirements. Please see degree course pages for details.

An application for a restricted-application course will not be considered unless it has been included among your original course choices by 1st February (in some cases a restricted-application course can be added up to 1st March - see **www.cao.ie** for details). Restricted-application courses which are included in Late Applications are invalid choices and will not be considered.

If you have a disability or specific learning difficulty (e.g. dyslexia), and require support for any written assessments, you must complete the online request form and submit supporting documentation by 15 March 2027. Applications for alternative examination accommodation cannot be considered after this deadline.

Contact Maynooth Access Programme for more details.
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/access-office

Alternative Entry Routes

DARE
HEAR
STEM Passport for Inclusion

Applying through DARE

If you are a Leaving Certificate student aged under 23 with a disability and living in the Republic of Ireland, you can enter through the **Disability Access Route to Education (DARE)** by opting in on your CAO application (**cao.ie**).

DARE offers:

- places on reduced points – please note that the applicant must have attained a minimum of 300 points (or other identified minimum entry standard) in the Leaving Certificate.
- access to MAP disability supports once you start
- a clear pathway into university life

As a Maynooth student, you can access disability support at any time during your studies regardless of how you entered the University.

Find out more at **accesscollege.ie/dare** and **mu.ie/disability**.

HEAR: an access route into Maynooth University

If you are a Leaving Certificate student aged under 23 from a socio economically disadvantaged background and living in the Republic of Ireland, you can enter through the **Higher Education Access Route (HEAR)** by opting in on your CAO application (**cao.ie**).

HEAR offers:

- places on reduced points – please note that the applicant must have attained a minimum of 300 points (or other identified minimum entry standard) in the Leaving Certificate
- ongoing MAP supports once you're here including targeted financial and technology supports

Find full details at **accesscollege.ie/hear**.

Students with Disabilities

Support that fits around how you learn - not the other way around.

Students with disabilities make up around 8% of our student cohort - one of the highest participation rates in the country.

You can register for disability supports **at any time** during your studies, though early registration is recommended. Depending on your needs, supports may include:

- **a dedicated MAP Student Disability Advisor**
- **academic and work placement supports**
- **examination and assessment accommodations**
- **Educational Support Workers**, such as note takers or sign language interpreters
- **assistive technology and learning tools**

Supports are tailored - you choose what works for you.

If you have a disability or specific learning difficulty (e.g. dyslexia), and require support for any timed written assessments, you must complete the online request form and submit supporting documentation by 15 March 2027. Applications for alternative examination accommodation cannot be considered after this deadline.

Contact Maynooth Access Programme for more details.
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/access-office

STEM Passport for Inclusion

The All-Ireland STEM Passport for Inclusion programme is a joint initiative by Maynooth University, Microsoft Ireland, Research Ireland, and the Department of Education and Youth that addresses inequalities with access to STEM careers among secondary school students in socially disadvantaged communities. The programme's innovative approach, which combines an educational qualification (level 6 NFQ), education supports, and mentoring from industry role models, provides a unique pathway for approximately 5,000 students to progress to 3rd level education and achieve a STEM qualification (having completed the STEM Passport for Inclusion).

Holders of the Level 6 STEM Passport award will be eligible to apply for concessions of up to 60 points for MH304, MH604, and MH605 Engineering and Computer Science degrees. Places will be awarded on a competitive basis. There is a quota of places in each degree and the places are awarded based on merit (i.e. points attained). Further details on the initiative and application process are available on the website.

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/centre-inclusive-higher-education/stem-passport-inclusion

Maynooth University sees our diversity as a strength and is committed to ensuring every student has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of who they are and where they come from.

Alternative Entry Routes

Mature Student Applicants

Mature Students (aged 23+)

It's never too late to start - or restart - university.

If you are 23 or over by 1 January in the year you plan to start (for part-time degrees the mature age is 21), you can apply to Maynooth University as a mature student. There is **no upper age limit**.

Up to **10% of places** on undergraduate programmes are reserved for mature applicants.

Each year, up to 200 mature students begin their studies here, bringing real world experience into classrooms across campus.

You must apply through the **Central Applications Office (www.cao.ie)** before 1st February. Late applications for certain degree programmes from mature students may be accepted after this date - scan the QR code to access more information.

What mature students can expect

Maynooth University supports mature students from application to graduation through MAP:

- **Dedicated advice** on choosing courses and applying
- **Preparatory and access courses**
- **Academic skills support**, including summer courses
- **MAP Advisors** who understand the needs of mature learners
- **Peer connection and support**, including the Mature Student Society

MH103 BMus & MH116 BSocSc Community and Youth Work

Applicants who wish to apply to the following restricted-application courses BMus Bachelor of Music (MH103) or BSocSc Community and Youth Work (MH116) MUST apply before 1st February in order to be included in the written exercise/interview/online video audition. See page 160 for more about restricted-application courses and assessment supports. Please scan the QR code below for more details about applying as a mature student.

MH001/MH002 Bachelor of Education - Froebel Primary Teaching

Application must be made to the CAO prior to February 1st 2027. Candidates meeting the eligibility criteria will receive a supplementary application form from Maynooth University.

MH701 BSc General Nursing

Mature applicants must be 23 years or older by 1st January in the year of entry to the University. Applicants must apply to the CAO (www.cao.ie) by February 1st and satisfy the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) as to their suitability based on assessment tests. Further information on the process and assessment tests is published on the NMBI website.

Applicant with a disability: examination supports

If you have a disability or specific learning difficulty (e.g. dyslexia), and require support for any timed written exercise/test which may form part of your application assessment, you must complete an online request form and submit supporting documentation by 15 March 2027. Applications for alternative examination accommodation cannot be considered after this deadline.

Scan or log on for more Mature Student information **www.mu.ie/mature-apply**



Sharon Tyndall

BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education) - mature student

It's important to know that every student, mature or not, is nervous. I found my sense of belonging and you will too. Even though, as a mature student, time can be very tight, I recommend going to things outside of class. Reach out! Talking to another student might help you, and it might help them even more.

Alternative Entry Routes

QQI/FET/PLC Student Applicants

Students progressing from Further Education and Training

Maynooth University actively encourages students from Further Education and Training FET/QQI/PLC and Access programmes to progress into higher education through dedicated entry pathways and support structures.

- **Transition and orientation supports** to help students navigate university life.
- **Academic support and guidance** throughout their studies.
- **MAP Advisors** who understand the needs of learners from diverse backgrounds.

How to Apply - QQI/FET/PLC Applicants

If you have a relevant QQI qualification, you can use this to apply to a full-time, undergraduate degree programme at Maynooth University.

Any QQI major award, with a minimum of five distinctions, fulfils the minimum entry requirements for admission to the University; however, due to the high demand for our courses, a higher number of distinctions is required for entry in many instances.

Some of our degrees and some of the subjects available in our degrees have additional minimum entry requirements or grade recommendations (required or recommended grade depends on the degree/subject). All details are set out on the website **www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply**

A major award must be achieved. Component certificates do not suffice. While the major award may be achieved over a number of sittings, for scoring purposes, results achieved in a SINGLE SITTING are counted, i.e. between 1st August – 31st July.

Application is made through the Central Applications Office (CAO).

Apply online via **www.cao.ie**

There is a normal fee for applications received on or before 17:00, 1st February 2027 (apply by January 20th for a reduced fee). Late applications are accepted up to and including 1st May 2027 on payment of an additional fee. Applicants who wish to study restricted-application courses BSocSc Community and Youth Work (MH116) or BMus Bachelor of Music (MH103) must apply before the 1st February 2027.

All information regarding awards, scoring and any additional entry requirements for specific degrees is outlined on the website **www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply**

We are currently reviewing QQI/FET entry requirements for all courses.These entry requirements are subject to change for entry 2027.

Scan or log on for more QQI/FET/PLC information **www.mu.ie/qqi**



Manuela Radulescu

BA in Criminology Student, QQI entrant

I come from the Romanian Traveller community, and I am proud to represent my background while pursuing higher education. I am passionate about criminal law and criminology, and I hope to build a career in the legal profession where I can make a positive impact. The support I received through MAP has given me the confidence and encouragement to continue pursuing my goals. I hope my journey encourages others from underrepresented communities to believe in their potential and pursue higher education.

The following degree programmes have QQI/FET/PLC pathways:

CAO Code	Degree	Level 5 or 6 Places	2026 QQI Points
MH003	BA Early Childhood - Teaching and Learning (full-time)	6	363
MH101	BA Bachelor of Arts	175	AQA
MH102	BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies **NEW**	3	New pathway
MH103	BMus Bachelor of Music #	3	AQA
MH106	BA Psychology (through Arts)	3	390*
MH107	BSocSc Bachelor of Social Science	15	325
MH109	BA Media Studies	10	325
MH111	BA Creative Writing and English	4	390*
MH116	BSocSc Community and Youth Work (full-time) #	5	AQA
MH201	BSc Bachelor of Science	25	325
MH202	BSc Biotechnology	4	358
MH203	BSc Biological and Geographical Sciences	4	390
MH204	BSc Physics with Astrophysics	4	New pathway
MH205	BSc Biomedical Science	6	390*
MH209	BSc Psychology (through Science)	2	358
MH210	BSc Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Chemistry	2	374*
MH212 MH212 MH212	MH212 BSc Science (with Education) MH212 BSc Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education) MH212 BSc Mathematics (with Education)	4	New pathway
MH221	BSc Sport Science and Health	5	390*
MH222	BSc Food Science and Human Nutrition	3	390
MH304	BE Bachelor of Electronic Engineering	4	New pathway
MH305	BSc Product Design and Innovation	4	325
MH306	BSc Robotics and Intelligent Devices	4	358
MH403	BA Accounting and Finance	10	358
MH404 BMA MH404 INB MH404 MKT MH404 BGC/IGC/MGC	BBS/BBA Business and Management BBS/BBA International Business BBS/BBA Marketing BBS/BBA Business and Global Cultures	25	341
MH407	BBS/BBA Business and Accounting	5	358
MH409	BBA Business and Languages	5	390
MH410	BBS/BBA Finance	6	390
MH411	BBS/BBA Entrepreneurship	5	No Offers
MH412	BSc/BBA Business with Sport Science	5	374
MH415	BSc Economics	1	New pathway
MH416	BA International Economics	3	No Offers
MH501	LLB Law	5	374*
MH502	BCL Law and Accounting/Business/Criminology/Arts	20	374
MH503	BCL (Law and Languages)	5	358
MH504	BA Criminology	2	390*
MH604	BSc Computer Science **NEW** • With Award Pathways: BSc Computer Science and Software Engineering BSc Computer Science and Interactive Digital Media	15	New pathway
MH605	BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence **NEW**	3	New pathway
MH701	BSc General Nursing	30	390*

#	Assessment may involve written exercise/interview/online video audition.	**>**	Level 6 Award in Early Childhood Education and Care required. MH004 will run subject to sufficient numbers.
*	Random Selection: not everyone on these points was admitted.	**AQA**	All Qualified Applicants.
New pathway	New QQI pathway to this degree		

A Level / GCSE Examinations
& Other School Leaving Examinations

Applying as an A-Level Student

You must apply through the Central Applications Office (CAO) if you are presenting A-levels. For more information on applying to the CAO see page 160.

Minimum Entry Requirements

Before CAO points can be calculated for any degree, the applicant must first satisfy the minimum entry requirements for entry to Maynooth University. **These are outlined below:**

A pass in 6 distinct recognised subjects which must include: 2 subjects at GCE A-level grade C and a pass grade in 4 other subjects (pass grade is a minimum of E at A-level, D at AS or 4/C at GCSE).

Applicants must achieve a minimum of grade 4/C in English at GCSE level, or E at A-level, or D at AS.

Since applicants from outside the Republic of Ireland are automatically entitled to an exemption from Irish, those presenting a grade C or grade 4 in Irish and English at GCSE satisfy the third language requirement for entry to programmes in which a third language is a requirement. For candidates intending to use Irish for this purpose, it is essential to contact NUI (at nui.ie) so that their status in terms of fulfilling language requirements may be recorded.

Specific Course Requirements

In addition to the above, some degree programmes require certain subjects at either GCSE or A-level. For instance, science degrees will require grade C/4 in a science subject and grade B/6 Mathematics at a minimum of GCSE level. Any such extra subject requirement(s) are listed under the individual degrees in this prospectus.

For some degrees, students must achieve a minimum of grade C/4 in another language at GCSE level.

When all of the above has been met, the points are calculated on the basis of:

(i) A maximum of four different recognised subjects (A-level and AS), will be counted. Only one subject from each subject grouping outlined in the document on the NUI website will be considered.

www.nui.ie/college/entry-requirements.asp

(ii) If 4 A-levels are presented, the lowest grade is scored as an AS.

(iii) Applicants can be scored on:

- Their 4 best A-levels from a single sitting
- Their 3 best A-levels from a single sitting
- Their 3 best A-levels from a single sitting and 1 AS or extended project from the same or previous year
- Their 2 best A-levels from a single sitting and 2 AS and/or extended project from the same or previous year

CAO Points System
GCE / A-Level Examinations

The model for converting A-level grades to Leaving Certificate Points for the purposes of university entry is:

Grade	Best 3 A-Levels	4th A-Level	AS level / EPQ
A*	192	24	24
A	165	24	24
B	142	20	20
C	120	18	18
D	100	16	16
E	67	14	14

Please note that the final points awarded for each grade may be subject to adjustment.

Applicants presenting Grade E or above in one of A-level Mathematics, Further Mathematics or Pure Mathematics will have 25 points added to their score for that subject. The bonus points will only be relevant where that subject is scored as one of the applicant's best four A-level subjects for points purposes. This gives a maximum possible score of 625.

Maths bonus will only apply to A-level grades and will apply even if the maths grade is scored as an AS. Only one bonus is awarded if applicants present more than one Maths subject. A-level AS/EP Score (a 4th A-level can be scored as an AS).

EU/EEA Applicants

How you apply to Maynooth University depends on whether you are classified as an EU or Non-EU applicant. This classification is determined through a fee assessment.

How do I know if I am an EU or Non-EU applicant?

If you have lived outside the EU, you will need to confirm your fee status through the Maynooth fee assessment process: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-fees-grants/eu-fee-assessment-process

Undergraduate EU/EEA Applicants must apply to the Central Admissions Office at www.cao.ie. For more information on applying to the CAO see page 160.

Details of minimum entry requirements and English Language proficiency requirements are available online at **www.nui.ie/college/entry-requirements.asp** or under the Student Resources section of the CAO website **www.cao.ie**

Non-EU Applicants

Maynooth University welcomes applicants from non-EU countries and applicants must apply directly to Maynooth University via the online application portal at www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/how-apply/international-applicants.

Non-EU applicants who require a visa to study in Ireland should familiarise themselves with Irish immigration regulations. You will need to accept your offer in a timely manner to allow sufficient time to complete all immigration requirements associated with studying at Maynooth University. For further information, please visit **irishimmigration.ie.**

Deferring, Transferring, Occasional & BTEC Applications

Deferring

An application can be made to defer your place for one year. Deferral requests must be granted by the Admissions and Student Recruitment Office.

When you receive your CAO offer, please see the Deferral section of the website for details about how to proceed.

caodeferrals@mu.ie

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply

Transferring

Students from other universities and third-level institutes may apply to transfer to 2nd year of a degree course at Maynooth University if they have obtained relevant awards, e.g. QQI Higher Certificate, two years of an Ordinary Degree or one year of an Honours Degree. Preference is normally given to candidates who have attained merit or distinction grades.

In some cases, transfer into third year is possible for applicants with a level 7 degree in a related discipline or who have 2 years of a level 8 degree in a related discipline.

Transfer application deadline is July 1st.

transfers@mu.ie

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply

Occasional Student Applicants

An Occasional Student Applicant is someone who wishes to study specific modules for a semester or for one academic year and is therefore liable for fees. Occasional Students do not receive a Maynooth University qualification but will receive a transcript of results if they take assessments.

Contact the Admissions and Student Recruitment Office for more details. There is an online application form.

admissions.occasionals@mu.ie

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply

For queries on Occasional applicant fees, please contact the Fees Office at **fees.office@mu.ie**

BTEC Higher National Diploma Applicants

Holders of a BTEC Higher National Diploma will be considered for admission to a number of degree programmes. Application is made through the Central Applications Office (CAO). Please email BTEC results when received to ugadmissions@mu.ie, clearly stating the CAO application number. For further information please see www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/how-apply/undergraduate-applicants/btec-applicants or scan the QR code opposite.

Applicants with a Criminal Conviction

All applicants are required to disclose to the University any previous serious criminal convictions when applying for admission. Having a criminal conviction will not necessarily prevent an applicant from gaining admission to the University. However, the University will take any criminal convictions of a prospective applicant into account when considering applications for admission, and reserves the right to refuse to admit an applicant where her/his previous criminal conviction makes it inappropriate for her/him to be admitted.

Examples of serious convictions include (and without limitation) convictions for offences against the person, whether of a violent or sexual nature, and convictions for offences involving unlawfully supplying controlled drugs or substances where the conviction concerns commercial drug dealing or trafficking.

Any applicant with a criminal conviction intending to apply for admission to the University should view the University's Policy on Applicants with Criminal Convictions at **www.maynoothuniversity.ie/university-policies/academic-policies-procedures**

Any general queries that an applicant may have concerning the University's Policy on Applicants with Criminal Convictions may be addressed, in the first instance, for the attention of the Undergraduate Admissions Officer.

+353 1 708 3822

ugadmissions@mu.ie

Visit our **HOW TO APPLY** webpages for more information.
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/howtoapply

Alert List
& Important Dates

New Degrees

- **MH102** BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies
- **MH604** BSc Computer Science (with award pathways in Software Engineering and Interactive Digital Media)
- **MH605** BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence

Visit our **coursefinder** for more information.
www.mu.ie/level8

QQI/FET/PLC Pathways

The following degrees have new QQI/FET/PLC pathways:

- MH102 BA Bachelor of Arts with Education Studies
- MH204 BSc Physics with Astrophysics
- MH212 BSc Science or Mathematics or Mathematics and Computer Science (with Education)
- MH304 BE Bachelor of Electronic Engineering
- MH415 BSc Economics
- MH604 BSc Computer Science with Award Pathways:
  - BSc Computer Science and Software Engineering
  - BSc Computer Science and Interactive Digital Media
- MH605 BSc Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence

We are currently reviewing QQI/FET entry requirements for all courses. These entry requirements are subject to change.

Change to minimum entry requirement

- New Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge introduced for Nua-Ghaeilge

  Maynooth University is delighted to introduce a new Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge (Irish language Entrance Examination) for students who wish to study Nua-Ghaeilge as part of the Arts MH101/MH102 programmes but who do not hold the standard H4 requirement.

  The new examination provides an additional pathway for students who have a strong interest in Irish. Students must first receive and accept a CAO offer for a place on MH101/MH102. Following registration, students who wish to take Nua-Ghaeilge and who do not have the required H4 in Irish will have the opportunity to sit the Scrúdú Iontrála Gaeilge.

- MH116 BSocSc Community and Youth Work

  A third language is no longer required for admission. The entry requirements are:

  Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English. Strict CAO application deadline of 1st February (restricted-application course).

- MH221 BSc Sport Science and Health

  Physical Education (PE) is now accepted as a Science subject for admission. The entry requirements are:

  Leaving Certificate: 2H5 & 4O6/H7, Irish, English & O4/H7 Mathematics & O6/H7 Science subject (one of Agricultural Science, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physical Education, Physics or Physics with Chemistry)

Invite Maynooth University to Your School: Inspiring Future Pathways

The Maynooth University Schools Liaison Team is excited to offer engaging, informative talks directly to your students, either in-person or virtually. Our presentations cover a broad range of Maynooth University programmes and provide valuable insights into the CAO process and college life, helping to supplement the information students receive online and in print.

To request a talk or presentation, or attendance at a Career Fair or Exhibition, please reach out to our Schools Liaison Team with the following details:

- preferred date and time
- school name and address
- contact name and email address
- contact phone or mobile number (optional)

Contact Us:

✉ schoolsliaison@mu.ie

We look forward to inspiring your students and helping them explore the exciting opportunities that await at Maynooth University.

Important Dates

Event	Date
Information Day for Guidance Counsellors – on campus and virtual	Tuesday 8th September 2026
November Open Days	Friday 20th November & Saturday 21st November 2026
CAO Information Evening	Wednesday 13th January 2027
Spring Open Day	Saturday 24th April 2027
Summer Open Day	Saturday 26th June 2027

VISIT OUR OPEN DAYS
For details of the locations and times or all undergraduate events, check www.mu.ie/undergradevents

Applying to Maynooth University:
Key Information

Undergraduate Courses: Full-time (Irish / EU Applicants)			
Category	**Closing Dates**	**Application Information**	**Contact**
Applicants completing EU school-leaving i.e. Leaving Certificate, A Levels or other school leaving examinations) or QQI/FET Level 5/6 qualifications	1st February Late closing date 1st May (restrictions apply)	CAO Handbook and Application form (cao.ie)	CAO (Central Applications Office) www.cao.ie
Mature Applications	1st February	See page 162	Mature Student Officer +353 1 7083307 emer.sheerin@mu.ie
Disability Access Route to Education (DARE)	1st March	Complete online application form through www.cao.ie	DARE - Access College accesscollege.ie/dare Access Office www.maynoothuniversity.ie/access-office
Higher Education Access Route (HEAR)	1st March	Complete online application form through www.cao.ie	HEAR - Access College accesscollege.ie/hear Access Office www.maynoothuniversity.ie/access-office
Transfer Applicants	1st July	See page 166	Transfer Applicants www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/how-apply/undergraduate-applicants/transfer-applicants
Occasional Student Applications	31st August (Semester 1 modules) and 31st January (Semester 2)	Complete online application form	Occasional Student Applicants www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/how-apply/undergraduate-applicants/occasional-student-applicants
Maynooth University Scholarships	Refer to website	See www.maynoothuniversity.ie/scholarships	schoolsliaison@mu.ie
Undergraduate Courses: Full-time (Non-EU Applicants)			
Applicants presenting examinations from outside the EU/EEA (except for mature applicants)	14th October until 30th June	Visit our online application portal to start your application	International Applicants www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/how-apply/international-applicants
NUI Certificates & Diplomas			
NUI Certificate Foundation Course (Return to Learning) NUI Certificate Courses NUI Professional Development Course NUI Diplomas	Refer to website	Refer to website	Maynooth University, Department of Adult and Community Education +353 1 708 6062/3784/3752/3937 adulteducation@mu.ie

Fees
& Grants

Fees & Grants

The Fees & Grants Office is a unit within the Bursar's Office, located in the Bursar's Office, Rye Extension, North Campus, who communicate and engage with incoming, current and continuing students, all University Departments and various external stakeholders.

The Fees & Grants team provide guidance, support and a positive solution focused approach to ensure the delivery of a highly flexible, responsive and effective service to all stakeholders.

We are responsible for ensuring that all elements of a student's finance lifecycle are carried out efficiently and on time i.e. Invoicing and collection of fee liability from various sources; Exchequer Free Fees scheme; SUSI; 3rd party payments; Rebates; Distribution and payment of awards/scholarships/ stipends/access funds; Research funding; US and other International funding; etc.

The Fees & Grants Office hold regular information sessions and webinars throughout the academic year for any queries you may have. You can find details about the information sessions along with fees and grants updates on the website:

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-fees-grants

Contact information:

Why not email us:

General Queries: Fees.office@mu.ie

Fee SUSI Queries: Feesusi@mu.ie

Fee Refunds: Feerefunds@mu.ie

Easy Payment Plan: EPP@mu.ie

Fee Receipts: receipts.fees@mu.ie

Fee Status Assessment: Feestatus@mu.ie

Third Party Invoicing: FeeInv@mu.ie

Fees MU Apply Queries: fees.crm@mu.ie

ask **on webchat**

Fees for Irish/ EU/ EEA/ Swiss/ UK Nationals:

Undergraduate EU Fees consist of three parts:

- Student Levy Fee,
- Student Contribution Fee, and
- **Tuition Fees** which vary depending on your course.

The **Tuition Fees** can be covered by the Higher Education Authority under the Exchequer Free Fees Initiative for eligible students; in most cases eligible students do not need to apply for the Exchequer Free Fees Initiative, the University will allocate this based on your eligibility. Please visit the Fees & Grants Office website for more information:

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/student-fees-grants

The Student Contribution Fee can be covered in part or in full by SUSI. All fees are yearly fees, and all fees are subject to change each academic year. This is subject to change depending on Government regulations.

SUSI

The grant-awarding authority is Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI).

All students of approved full-time undergraduate courses of at least two years in duration, and students of full-time postgraduate courses, may apply for a SUSI grant.

To qualify for the SUSI, you must meet certain criteria, including in relation to academic achievement, and undergo a means test.

Depending on the rate of grant awarded, SUSI may not cover the full Student Contribution / Tuition Fees. Please refer to your SUSI award letter for details on your award rate.

SUSI processes all grant applications through:

www.susi.ie.

Fees For International Students

All International Fees must be paid in full prior to the completion of registration.

Once a student receives their offer, payment details are forwarded.

Payments for new incoming international students can be made via TransferMate:

mu.transfermateeducation.com

Postgraduate Study

At Maynooth University, it is the individual that matters, and for your postgraduate studies, our small class sizes and one-to-one guidance from senior lecturers and global researchers will challenge and inspire you. Our Taught Masters Programmes are designed to foster and deepen our students' knowledge and skills in a specific subject area at postgraduate level. Our programmes offer students the opportunity to specialise in an area of interest closely aligned to their undergraduate degree or current career path, or to expand their skills and knowledge to develop their career path in a new direction.

We offer a wide range of taught masters qualifications including Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Social Science, LLM, Master of Education and Professional Master of Education.

We also offer a range of HDip, PGDip, PCert at postgraduate level.

Some of our new postgraduate programmes include:

- LLM in Health Law
- MSc Digital Innovation Management & AI
- MSc Design for User Experience & Interaction (UX&I)
- MA Irish and Local History
- MA in TESOL and EMI

Conversion Courses at Maynooth University

Maynooth University offers a range of Conversion Courses for students who want to move into a new area where they do not have previous experience.

More information available here:
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/postgraduate-studies/what-degree-right-me/conversion-courses

Progress into Teaching with a Professional Master of Education

Not yet sure if teaching is for you? You don't have to decide now. You can complete your undergraduate degree in an area you're passionate about, before progressing to our **two-year Professional Master of Education (PME) in either Primary or Secondary Teaching**. This route allows you to explore your interests at undergraduate level while keeping a career in teaching open. So, even if you don't choose an undergraduate teaching programme, becoming a qualified teacher could still be your next step.

Postgraduate Scholarships

More information on Taught and Research Postgraduate Scholarships:
www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/postgraduate-studies/fees-funding-scholarships

How to Apply

Applications for all Maynooth Postgraduate programmes must be made directly to Maynooth University via the online application portal at **www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth**

Visit our Postgraduate Admissions webpages for more information.

Recognition of Prior Learning for Postgraduate Programmes at Maynooth University

Find out more about Recognition of Prior Leaning at Maynooth University:
https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/mu/admissions-office/recognition-prior-learning

Contact

Contact the Admissions and Student Recruitment Office for information on postgraduate study.

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Maynooth University Postgraduate Prospectus

For a complete listing of the postgraduate programmes available at Maynooth University, please visit **mu.ie/postgrad.**

Travelling
To Maynooth

Maynooth University is located in the heart of Ireland's oldest university town. We are 25km from the centre of Dublin and our beautiful campus (divided into the North and South Campus by the Kilcock Road) is closely integrated with the historic town of Maynooth - easily accessible by road, rail and canal towpath.

BUS LINKS

TRAIN LINKS

DUBLIN TO GALWAY CYCLEWAY

> Approximately 2,000 parking spaces on campus

> Lots of public and private transport options to Maynooth

> Cycling is a popular way of commuting to the University

www.maynoothuniversity.ie/location

Train services

Maynooth lies on the Western Commuter Line, which serves the four Dublin city centre stations: Pearse Street Station, Tara Street, Connolly Station and Docklands. It also serves thirteen other suburban stations: Drumcondra, Broombridge, Pelletstown, Ashtown, Navan Road Parkway, Castleknock, Coolmine, Clonsilla, Hansfield, Dunboyne, M3 Parkway, Leixlip Confey and Leixlip Louisa Bridge. The Luas Broombridge Interconnector links Maynooth to the Red and Green Luas Lines.

The Sligo train line passes through Maynooth to Dublin via Collooney, Ballymote, Boyle, Carrick-on-Shannon, Dromod, Longford, Edgeworthstown, Mullingar, Enfield and Kilcock.

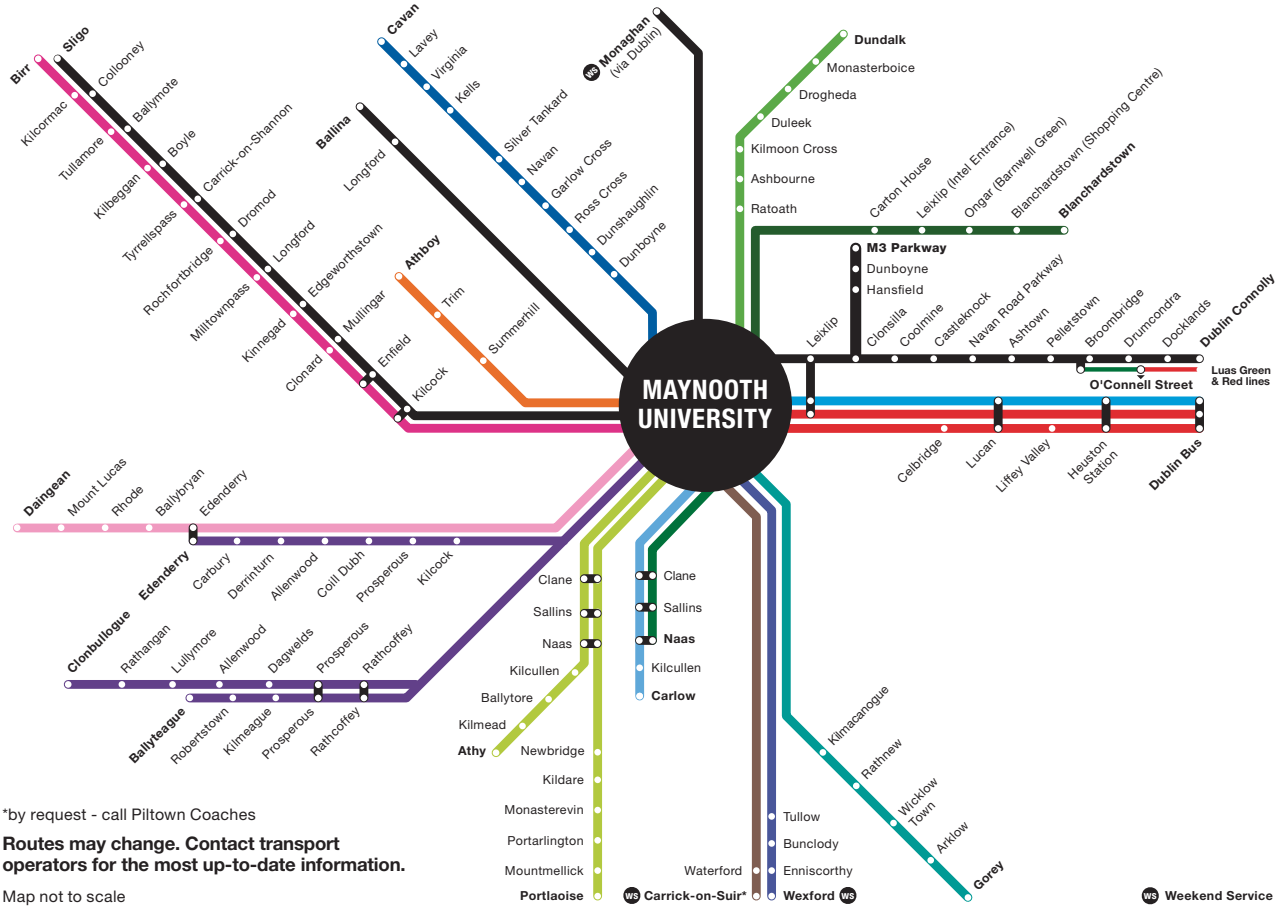
Direct bus links to the campus

Maynooth is well served by the Dublin Bus C-Spine route network. Buses depart from the city centre and run frequent services to Maynooth.

A range of bus operators organise daily and weekly coach services to the campus – timed to fit in with lectures. The map below indicates the locations which have direct transport links to and from the campus. See the transport information on the website.

For more details on commuting to Maynooth

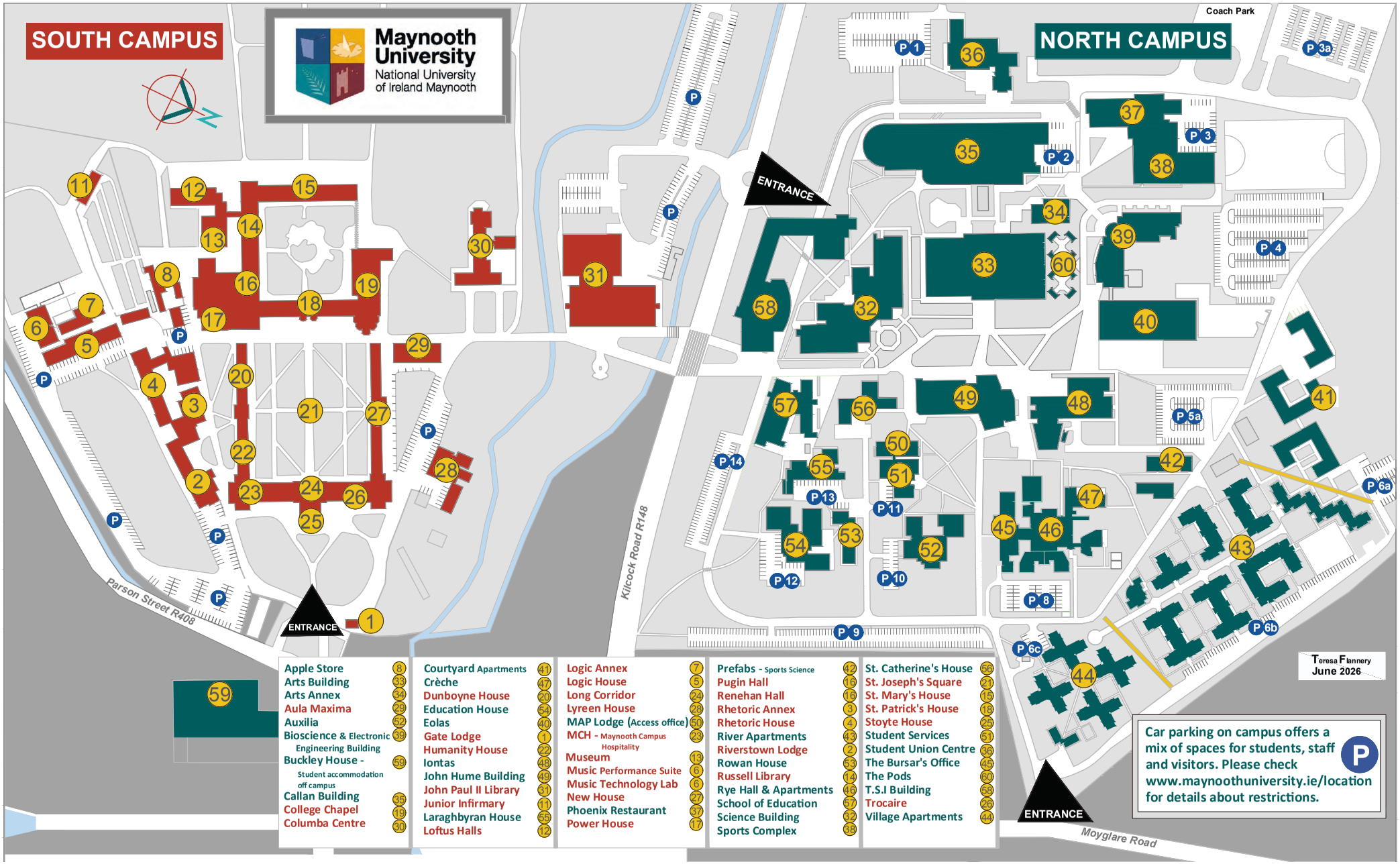
www.mu.ie/gettinghere



*by request - call Piltown Coaches

Routes may change. Contact transport operators for the most up-to-date information.

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Work placements, which are part of many of our degree programmes are not guaranteed. Students are responsible for incidental expenses relating to work placements. For incidental expenses relating to work placement for MH701 BSc General Nursing, see page 156 for more information.

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Open Days
at Maynooth University

November Open Days
Friday 20 and **Saturday 21 November** 2026

CAO Information Evening
Wednesday 13 January 2027

Spring Open Day
Saturday 24 April 2027

Summer Open Day
Saturday 26 June 2027



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Undergraduate events

2026-2027

EVENT	DATE
November Open Days	Friday 20 November & Saturday 21 November 2026
CAO Information Evening	Wednesday 13 January 2027
Spring Open Day	Saturday 24 April 2027
Summer Open Day	Saturday 26 June 2027
Campus Tours	Visit **www.mu.ie/campustour**
Schools Liaison	We offer a range of in-person and virtual information events to our education partners **schoolsliaison@mu.ie**

For details of the locations and times of all undergraduate events, check **www.mu.ie/undergradevents**

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For all your Maynooth University CAO level 8 degree questions visit: **www.mu.ie/level8**

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