

3. Subject Groupings

Students choose three (3) subjects, not more than one (1) from any of the following groups.

*Subjects in maroon are only available on their specific denominated and specialism programmes.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Archaeology	Law ⁴	Classics	English
French ^{2,3}	Psychology ⁴	Geography, Climate and Sustainability	Economics
Mathematics/ Mathematical Studies ⁵	Celtic Civilisation	German ^{2,3}	*Children's Studies
	*Human Rights	Modern Irish Culture Studies (Literature and Music)	*Global Languages
	*Film and Digital Media	*Journalism	
	Performance and Screen Studies	Léann na Cumarsáide	
		*Music	
		*Cumarsáid	
		*Global Media Global Media Studies	

Group 5	Group 6	Group 7
Sociological and Political Studies	History	Gaeilge ⁶
Information Technology ¹	Spanish ^{2,3}	Italian ^{2,3}
Léann an Aistriúcháin		Philosophy
*Creative Writing		
*Drama and Theatre Studies		

Notes:

1. A class limit of 120 places operates in Information Technology in First Arts. Places are offered in the first week of registration.
2. Italian, German and Spanish may be taken at First Arts without previous knowledge of those languages. Students wishing to take First Year French will be expected to have attained a Grade H4 in Honours French in the Leaving Certificate.
3. Students should note that choosing to study a Modern Language to Degree level involves spending a period, normally a year, abroad in a country or region where the language for which they are registered is widely spoken. Therefore, after having successfully completed the Second Arts Examination and in advance of registering for Final Year studies of the BA programme, students will be required to spend a period abroad in order to prepare them for the demands of the Final Year of their degree studies in a Language. Please refer to Section 5.4.
4. For students entering First Arts in September 2026, a restriction on progression to Second Arts in 2027–2028 in Law of 100 places, and in Second Arts Psychological Studies of 100 places will apply. Please refer to Sections 2.5 and 2.7.
5. To select Mathematics as a subject in First Year, students register for the subject code **MH1020 Mathematics**. Within the subject of Mathematics, students have the option to select either of the following sets of modules. The selection of a specific set of modules will determine the possibility of progression to **either** Mathematics **or** Mathematical Studies in Second Year:

MH1020 Mathematics to study Mathematics in Second Year

MA185 Analysis and Algebra 1
MA186 Analysis and Algebra 2
MA187 Mathematical Skills
MA208 Quantitative Techniques for Business

Or

MH1020 Mathematics to study Mathematical Studies in Second Year

MA131 Mathematical Skills
MA133 Analysis and Algebra 1
MA135 Analysis and Algebra 2
MA208 Quantitative Techniques for Business

6. BA (Comhonoracha)
The study of Gaeilge to degree level at University of Galway involves a four-year programme. Please refer to Section 2.9.