

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

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Choosing your Optional Modules

- BA/BSc EPaIS (LM1D)

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LM1D: First Year Modules

See UG Handbook
Total CATS = 132 – 150.

4 Core (compulsory) modules:

EC107 Economics 1	(30 CATS)
EC120 = EC139/EC140 + EC122/EC124	(30 CATS)
PO107 Introduction to Politics	(30 CATS)
PO131 World Politics	(30 CATS)

+ Optional modules totalling between 12 and 30 CATS

You must take one optional module (at 12/15 CATS), but you are permitted to take one additional 12/15 CAT module, so you can take up to 30 CATS of options.

Alternatively, you could take just one 24/30 CAT module.



Choosing your Options

- Modules are available at 6, 12, 15, 24 and 30 CATS
 - You are **not** permitted to take optional modules at **6 CATS**
 - 12/15 CAT modules are 1 term in length;
 - 24/30 CAT modules run across both terms 1 and 2
- All modules have codes:
 - the letters represent the department; e.g. EC, PH, HI, IB
 - the first number reflects the year e.g. EC1, IB2, PH3
- Check which term the module runs in and try to have a balanced load.
- Ensure the modules lectures (and classes) do NOT clash with your core lectures.
- It's your responsibility to choose the right number of CATS

Things to consider...

- ▶ Taking more than the minimum number of optional modules?
 - Consider the additional workload and avoid taking all options in one term
- ▶ Research the level 2 and 3 modules
 - What are the pre-requisites? What about your career?
- ▶ Beyond year 1, you are not permitted to take level 1 modules
- ▶ Are you interested in the subject?
 - Do not choose modules because others are choosing it.
- ▶ What are the assessment methods?
 - Play to your strengths, but think about developing your weaknesses.
- ▶ Check learning outcomes, aims and feedback.
- ▶ Pastoral Support Drop in for advice/guidance on module choices
- ▶ Use Maths drop in for help on choosing Maths/Stats A or B

Economics Options

- EC104 (30): The World Economy (core for L100): T1 + T2
- EC119 (15): Mathematical Analysis: T1
- EC132 (15): The Industrial Economy: Strategy: T1
- EC133 (15): Linear Algebra: T2
- EC134 (15): Topics in Applied Economics (1a): T1
- EC135 (15): Topics in Applied Economics (1b): T2
- EC138 (15): Introduction to Environmental Economics: T2
- You **cannot** take any of the following modules: EC106, EC108, EC109, EC131, EC136, EC137

External Options

- You are able to take modules from other Departments
- There is a list of [pre-approved external modules](#) you can take.
- For any modules not on this list, you have to complete the [Unusual Option module form](#).
- Do consider taking external options – broaden your education and experiences

External Options...

- ▶ Departments may have different registration procedures, so check with them (e.g. electronic or in person) and places cannot be guaranteed.
- ▶ Are there caps/restrictions on the module?
 - Modules may have waiting lists and random allocation.
 - Are there classes: if so, how do you sign up? Are there clashes?
 - Languages - best to start a language in Year 1 (but you can take accelerated beginner language in year 2)
 - If you have not taken a language option in year 1 or 2, you can only take a language option in the final year of your degree, if it is **above** accelerated beginner.

Choosing your Options

- ‘Shop around’ in the first 2 weeks to get the best idea of what the module will cover and whether it interests you
- You must register your module choices on **eMR** by Monday 16 October (17:00)
 - This needs to be done for **ALL** optional modules, including economics options and all external options...
 - Even if you are required to register with another Department to take their module, you still need to register your choices on eMR
 - If you register on eMR and then change your mind, you will need to change your choices on eMR – but you will then be removed from any classes you have previously selected
 - All WBS modules must be registered on BOTH [my.wbs](https://my.wbs.ac.uk) AND eMR

Changing your Options

- ▶ If you choose an option and then change your mind, you can amend your choices on eMR and by contacting the UG office
 - This must be done by Monday 16 October (17:00)
- ▶ You will be able to change your options during the first 3 weeks of Term 2, so you can change your Term 2 module choices then or even replace a Term 1 module with another term 2 module, BUT:
 - You cannot drop a module if you have completed 10% of the module's assessment
 - Remember to aim for a balanced load of modules across the year

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER ...

- **After eMR closes Monday 16 October (17:00)...**
 - Look at the modules you are registered for on Tabula
 - Are they correct?
 - If not, you **MUST** contact the UG office immediately:
economics.ugoffice@warwick.ac.uk
 - **NOTE:** You will be required to take exams in those modules you are registered on