A course is a course, of course, except when it is a subject. At MIT, course numbers and abbreviations refer to courses of study leading to specific academic degrees and, by extension, to the departments or programs offering those degrees. For example, Course 6 refers to the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Subjects are what many people typically think of as courses, i.e., a series of classes offered during a given academic period.

These descriptions are current but are subject to change. For schedules, consult the Online Subject Listing and Schedule [student.mit.edu/catalog](http://student.mit.edu/catalog). Below is a list of the departments and programs that offer subjects at MIT.

- Aeronautics and Astronautics (Course 16) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/16](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/16))
- Aerospace Studies (AS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/as](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/as))
- Anthropology (Course 21A) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21a](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21a))
- Architecture (Course 4) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/4](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/4))
- Biological Engineering (Course 20) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/20](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/20))
- Biology (Course 7) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/7](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/7))
- Brain and Cognitive Sciences (Course 9) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/9](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/9))
- Chemical Engineering (Course 10) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/10](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/10))
- Chemistry (Course 5) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/5](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/5))
- Civil and Environmental Engineering (Course 1) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/1](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/1))
- Comparative Media Studies / Writing (CMS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/cms](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/cms))
- Comparative Media Studies / Writing (Course 21W) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21w](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21w))
- Computational and Systems Biology (CSB) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/csbi](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/csbi))
- Concourse (CC) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/cc](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/cc))
- Data, Systems, and Society (IDS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ids](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ids))
- Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences (Course 12) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/12](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/12))
- Economics (Course 14) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/14](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/14))
- Edgerton Center (EC) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ec](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ec))
- Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (Course 6) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/6](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/6))
- Engineering Management (EM) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/em](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/em))
- Experimental Study Group (ES) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/es](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/es))
- Global Studies and Languages (Course 21G) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21g](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21g))
- Health Sciences and Technology (HST) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/hst](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/hst))
- History (Course 21H) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21h](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21h))
- Humanities (Course 21) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21))
- Linguistics and Philosophy (Course 24) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/24](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/24))
- Literature (Course 21L) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21l](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21l))
- Management (Course 15) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/15](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/15))
- Materials Science and Engineering (Course 3) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/3](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/3))
- Mathematics (Course 18) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/18](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/18))
- Mechanical Engineering (Course 2) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/2](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/2))
- Media Arts and Sciences (MAS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/mas](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/mas))
- Military Science (MS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ms](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ms))
- Music and Theater Arts (Course 21M) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21m](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/21m))
- Naval Science (NS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ns](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/ns))
- Nuclear Science and Engineering (Course 22) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/22](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/22))
- Physics (Course 8) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/8](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/8))
- Political Science (Course 17) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/17](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/17))
- Science, Technology, and Society (STS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/sts](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/sts))
- Special Programs ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/sp](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/sp))
- Supply Chain Management (SCM) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/scm](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/scm))
- Urban Studies and Planning (Course 11) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/11](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/11))
- Women's and Gender Studies (WGS) ([http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/wgs](http://catalog.mit.edu/subjects/wgs))