



Searching the Course Catalog

After logging on to ISIS, click the SA Self Service link in the home page, and navigate to Learner Services → Home → Learner Services.

In the Learner Services page, click the Course Catalog and Schedule link. The page that opens contains two links, View Course Catalog and View Schedule of Classes. Click the View Course Catalog link in order to search for courses. The Course Catalog Search page opens:

[Home](#) > [SA Self Service](#) > [Learner Services](#) > [Catalog](#) > **View Course Catalog**

Course Catalog Search

Search Criteria

Enter institution and subject. Catalog number is optional.

***Institution:**

***Subject Area:**

Catalog Nbr:

* Required Field

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In the **Course Catalog Search** page, select the institution as University of Mass Boston, and specify the subject area. If you do not know the subject area code, look it up by clicking the magnifying glass icon.

You can search for a course or several courses in a Subject Area—for the latter, by using the **Wildcard Search** option from the drop-down list.

- **Exact Match**

If you know the catalog number, enter the code in the **Catalog Nbr** field, and select the **Exact Match** option from the drop-down list. The system will return the specific course if it is currently scheduled.

- **Wild Card Search**

If you do not know the exact catalog number, or if you want to search for a group of courses in a specific subject area, you need to use the **Wildcard Search** option. A wildcard search



will return all currently scheduled courses relevant to the string of characters entered in the **Catalog Nbr** field.

There are two wildcard conventions you can use while searching for courses:

A) Percentage symbol (%): Matches one or more characters anywhere in the string of characters you enter.

Example 1:

Subject Area: **ENGL**
Catalog Nbr: **2%** **Wildcard**

These parameters result in listings of all courses that contain 2 anywhere in the number.

Note: *The search parameter 2% is equivalent to 2.*

Example 2:

Subject Area: **ENGL**
Catalog Nbr: **21%** **Wildcard**

These parameters result in listings for all courses that contain the digits 2 followed by 1 anywhere in the number.

Example 3:

Subject Area: **ENGL**
Catalog Nbr: **2%G** **Wildcard**

These parameters result in listings of all courses that contain 2 anywhere in the number, and are suffixed by the character G.

B) Underscore (_): Matches a character at a specific location in the string of characters you enter.

Example 4:

Subject Area: **ENGL**
Catalog Nbr: **2__** **Wildcard**

These parameters result in listings for all courses whose numbers begin with the digit 2 and with 3 digits in total.

Note: *These search parameters also return courses that are suffixed by alphabetical characters.*

Example 5:

Subject Area: **ENGL**
Catalog Nbr: **2__G** **Wildcard**



These parameters result in listings of all courses whose numbers begin with the digit 2, have 3 digits in total, and are suffixed by the character G.

Example 6:

Subject Area: **ENGL**

Catalog Nbr: **2%_G**

Wildcard

These parameters result in listings of all courses that begin with the digit 2, contain the digit 2 anywhere in the number, and are suffixed by the character G.

Note: *The parameter 2%_G is equivalent to 2_%G.*

You can search the Schedule of Classes similarly.