

Need another word that means the same as “elective”? Find 16 synonyms and 30 related words for “elective” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Elective” are: facultative, elected, chosen, democratic, popular, nominated, appointed, commissioned, voluntary, discretionary, not required, up to the individual, free, open, unforced, elective course

Elective as a Noun

Definitions of "Elective" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “elective” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A course that the student can select from among alternatives.*
- *An optional course of study.*



Synonyms of "Elective" as a noun (1 Word)

elective course A course that the student can select from among alternatives.



Elective as an Adjective

Definitions of "Elective" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "elective" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *(of surgical or medical treatment) chosen by the patient rather than urgently necessary.*
- *(of a body or position) possessing or giving the power to elect.*
- *(of a course of study) chosen by the student rather than compulsory.*
- *(of a person or office) appointed or filled by election.*
- *Subject to popular election.*
- *Not compulsory.*
- *Related to or working by means of election.*



Synonyms of "Elective" as an adjective (15 Words)

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| appointed | Selected for a job. <i>At the time appointed or the appointed time.</i> |
| chosen | Having been selected as the best or most appropriate. <i>He is by no means a forerunner in his chosen field.</i> |
| commissioned | (of an officer in the army, navy, or air force) holding a rank conferred by a commission. <i>A commissioned officer in the Royal Artillery.</i> |
| democratic | Characterized by or advocating or based upon the principles of democracy or social equality- George du Maurier. <i>Democratic art forms.</i> |
| discretionary | Available for use at the discretion of the user. <i>Discretionary income.</i> |
| elected | Subject to popular election. |
| facultative | Of or relating to the mental faculties. <i>A facultative enactment.</i> |
| free | (of a translation) conveying only the broad sense; not literal. <i>I have no ambitions other than to have a happy life and be free.</i> |

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| nominated | Appointed by nomination. |
| not required | Required by rule. |
| open | Of a note sounded from an open string or pipe. <i>They left the door open.</i> |
| popular | (of music or art) new and of general appeal (especially among young people). <i>Popular science.</i> |
| unforced | Not produced by effort; natural. <i>A voice with a pleasingly unforced quality.</i> |
| up to the individual | Operating properly. |
| <u>voluntary</u> | (of a conveyance or disposition) made without return in money or other consideration. <i>Voluntary motions.</i> |

Usage Examples of "Elective" as an adjective

- *Elective official.*
- *Elective surgery.*
- *An elective democracy.*
- *Powerful Emperors manipulated the elective body.*
- *The National Assembly, with 125 elective members.*
- *An elective course of study.*
- *He had never held elective office.*
- *Elective courses on this subject have always been oversubscribed.*

Associations of "Elective" (30 Words)

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| <u>abstention</u> | Restraint in one's consumption; abstinence. <i>Alcohol consumption versus abstention.</i> |
| ballot | Vote by ballot. <i>The voters were balloting in this state.</i> |
| candidate | Someone who is considered for something (for an office or prize or honor etc). <i>She was the perfect candidate for a biography.</i> |
| caucus | Of a voter attend an electoral caucus especially on behalf of a particular candidate. <i>There is one Independent who caucuses with the Democrats.</i> |

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| choose | Pick out select or choose from a number of alternatives. <i>There are many versions to choose from.</i> |
| <u>chosen</u> | Having been selected as the best or most appropriate. <i>He is by no means a forerunner in his chosen field.</i> |
| democratic | Characterized by or advocating or based upon the principles of democracy or social equality. <i>Democratic government.</i> |
| <u>egalitarian</u> | Favoring social equality. <i>A fairer more egalitarian society.</i> |
| <u>elect</u> | Elected but not yet installed in office. <i>They elected him leader.</i> |
| elected | Subject to popular election. |
| election | The status or fact of being elected. <i>Her election of medicine as a profession.</i> |
| elector | In the US a member of the electoral college. <i>Close to 60 per cent of the 60 000 registered electors voted.</i> |
| electorate | The office or territories of a German elector. <i>75 per cent of the electorate voted for a Scottish parliament in some form.</i> |
| hustings | The campaigning associated with an election. <i>Mrs Jones organized two public hustings.</i> |
| incoming | (of an official or administration) having just been elected or appointed to succeed another. <i>Incoming class.</i> |
| legislator | A person who makes laws; a member of a legislative body. <i>24 incumbent legislators lost their seats.</i> |
| liberalist | A person who favors a political philosophy of progress and reform and the protection of civil liberties. |
| nomination | A person or thing nominated. <i>The Republican nomination for Governor.</i> |
| nominee | A person or company, not the owner, in whose name a stock, bond, or company is registered. <i>An Oscar nominee.</i> |
| <u>optional</u> | Possible but not necessary; left to personal choice. <i>A wide range of optional excursions is offered.</i> |
| parliamentary | In accord with rules and customs of a legislative or deliberative assembly. <i>A parliamentary candidate.</i> |

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| president | The head of a company. <i>The Irish president.</i> |
| presidential | Befitting a president. <i>He s a very strong leader very presidential in his performance.</i> |
| reelect | Elect again. |
| referendum | A general vote by the electorate on a single political question which has been referred to them for a direct decision. |
| selection | A plot of land acquired by selection. <i>The restaurant offers a wide selection of hot and cold dishes.</i> |
| suffrage | A legal right guaranteed by the 15th amendment to the US Constitution; guaranteed to women by the 19th amendment. <i>The suffrages of the community.</i> |
| vote | An act of giving or registering a vote. <i>He failed to get the Black vote.</i> |
| voter | A person who votes or has the right to vote at an election. |
| voting | A choice that is made by counting the number of people in favor of each alternative. |