

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)

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

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

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



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

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