

College Council Input to Requirements for Majors, Minors and Concentrations

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Purpose: To establish an official, published policy on College Council responsibilities with regard to new and changing requirements for degree credentials including majors, minors and concentrations, to streamline Council business.

Majors: College Council approval is required for new majors, and for any changes to majors that alter the credit hours needed to complete the particular major/degree. College Council approval is not required for changes to courses required within majors, except to the extent that course changes change the credit hours required to complete the particular major/degree.

Minors: College Council approval is required for new minors, and for any fundamental changes to the structure of a minor, including when credit hours or number of courses change, and when specifically required courses change. College Council approval is not required for changes to lists of classes that satisfy minor requirements unless those changes have a significant impact on departments other than the department offering the minor. However, changes to minors should be included on a “consent agenda” for College Council meetings so that faculty are aware of changes.

Concentrations: College Council approval is required for new concentrations. College Council approval is not required for changes to lists of classes that satisfy concentration requirements unless those changes have a significant impact on departments other than the department offering the concentration.