

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: November 30, 2022

From: Selfa A. Chew-Melendez, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, College of Liberal Arts

Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts 

To: Selfa A. Chew-Melendez, Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Proposal Title: Dual Fulfillment.

Currently, only some courses taken to satisfy one degree area requirements can be used to satisfy other degree area requirement. An example is World History (HIST 2301, and HIST 2302), which counts towards core curriculum credit hours but also as a requirement in all History degree plans. The College of Liberal Arts proposes to extend up to six hours of dual fulfillment to other courses.

Dual fulfillment. Six Hours

Original text:

Bachelor of Arts

"Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree are designed to provide an essential unity in the programs of all Liberal Arts students and, at the same time, to offer each student substantial latitude in course selection. The degree consists of a minimum of 120 semester hours, including at least 39 at the advanced (3000-4000) level ** (see exception for foreign language). Twenty-four (24) of the last 30 hours must be taken in residence. With exceptions noted in departmental program descriptions, a course taken to satisfy one degree area requirement (University Core Curriculum, major, or minor) cannot be used to satisfy any other degree area requirement. No course used for Liberal Arts General Education Requirements can be double-counted toward any other requirement."

Proposed text:

Bachelor of Arts

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree are designed to provide an essential unity in the programs of all Liberal Arts students and, at the same time, to offer each student substantial latitude in course selection. The degree consists of a minimum of 120 semester hours, including at least 39 at the advanced (3000-4000) level ** (see exception for foreign language). Twenty-four (24) of the last 30 hours must be taken in residence. With exceptions noted in departmental program descriptions, When approved by a department, up to six-credit hours a course taken to satisfy one degree area requirement (University Core Curriculum, major, or minor) cannot be used to satisfy any other degree area requirement,

except for block electives. ~~No course used for Liberal Arts General Education Requirements can be double-counted toward any other requirement.~~

Original text in catalog:

“Major Field (27-36 hours)

Students complete a major prescribed by an academic department in the College of Liberal Arts (or Science or Business Administration [for the Economics major]) of at least 27 hours, 18 or more of which must be advanced (3000-or 4000-level). Students should refer to the individual departmental listings in this catalog for specific major field requirements. Nine (9) of the advanced hours in the major must be completed in residence within three years of the date of graduation. No course taken on a Pass/Fail basis can be counted for the major, even if the student changes majors after having taken the course. A completed degree plan must include a minimum grade point average (GPA) of C (2.0) in the major. Credit for courses taken to fulfill the major field requirements cannot also be counted to satisfy minor or College General Education field requirements”

Proposed text:

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Students complete a major prescribed by an academic department in the College of Liberal Arts (or Science or Business Administration [for the Economics major]) of at least 27 hours, 18 or more of which must be advanced (3000-or 4000-level). Students should refer to the individual departmental listings in this catalog for specific major field requirements. Nine (9) of the advanced hours in the major must be completed in residence within three years of the date of graduation. No course taken on a Pass/Fail basis can be counted for the major, even if the student changes majors after having taken the course. A completed degree plan must include a minimum grade point average (GPA) of C (2.0) in the major. Up to two courses taken to fulfill the major field requirements can be used to fulfill minor or College General Education field requirements, however, the hours will count only once toward the degree's credit hour requirement.”

Original text:

Minor Field (18 hours)

Students will complete a minor of at least 18 or more hours, nine of which must be advanced (3000-or 4000-level). The minor field must be selected from a discipline different from that of the major field. Credit for courses taken to fulfill the minor field requirements cannot also be counted to satisfy major field requirements. No course taken on a Pass/Fail basis can be counted for the minor, even though the student changes minors after having taken the course. A completed degree plan must include a minimum GPA of C (2.0) in the minor. Students should refer to the individual departmental listings in this catalog for specific minor requirements.

Liberal Arts minor fields are available in Anthropology, Art, Art History, Communication, Creative Writing, Criminal Justice, Dance, English and American Literature, Film Studies, French, German, History, Linguistics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Professional Writing and Rhetoric, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish, and Theatre Arts. Students should refer to the departmental listings for requirements.

Interdisciplinary minors are also available. However, no more than six (6) hours from a student's major field can be counted toward such a minor, and courses so counting cannot help satisfy the major requirement. In addition, no more than nine (9) hours from any one discipline will be counted as part of such a minor. Students electing an interdisciplinary *major* cannot elect an interdisciplinary *minor*. The following are approved interdisciplinary minors: African American Studies, Asian Studies, Border Studies, Chicano

Studies, Humanities, Latin American Studies, Military Science, Museum Studies, Religious Studies, Russian and Post-Communist Studies, Translation (Spanish/English), Urban Studies, and Women's Studies. (Students should refer to the section below on Interdisciplinary Minors for requirements.)

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Students will complete a minor of at least 18 or more hours, nine of which must be advanced (3000-or 4000-level). The minor field must be selected from a discipline different from that of the major field. Up to six credit hours for courses taken to fulfill the minor field requirements cannot also be counted to satisfy major field requirements; however, they will not be double-counted towards the 120 credit-hours requirement. No course taken on a Pass/Fail basis can be counted for the minor, even though the student changes minors after having taken the course. A completed degree plan must include a minimum GPA of C (2.0) in the minor. Students should refer to the individual departmental listings in this catalog for specific minor requirements.

Liberal Arts minor fields are available in Anthropology, Art, Art History, Communication, Creative Writing, Criminal Justice, Dance, English and American Literature, Film Studies, French, German, History, Linguistics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Professional Writing and Rhetoric, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish, and Theatre Arts. Students should refer to the departmental listings for requirements.

Interdisciplinary minors are also available. However, no more than six (6) hours from a student's major field can be counted toward such used to meet a minor's requirement, and courses so counting cannot help satisfy the major requirement. Courses that are used to meet two fields will count only once toward the degree's credit hour requirement. In addition, no more than nine (9) hours from any one discipline will be counted as part of such a minor. Students electing an interdisciplinary *major* cannot elect an interdisciplinary *minor*. The following are approved interdisciplinary minors: African American Studies, Asian Studies, Border Studies, Chicano Studies, Humanities, Latin American Studies, Military Science, Museum Studies, Religious Studies, Russian and Post-Communist Studies, Translation (Spanish/English), Urban Studies, and Women's Studies. (Students should refer to the section below on Interdisciplinary Minors for requirements.)

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Dual Fulfillment

College: Liberal Arts Department:

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, Liberal Arts

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.

Anadeli Bencomo

12/5/2022

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa A. Chew-Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

Signature

Date
