

## Dual Degree versus Double Major

	Dual Degree	Double Major
<b>Structure</b>	A student may choose to earn two baccalaureate degrees simultaneously. To satisfy the requirements for dual baccalaureate degrees at East Carolina University, the student must complete the requirements for one baccalaureate degree program and complete a minimum of an additional 30 semester hours through course enrollment at ECU for the other degree.	A student may choose to earn one baccalaureate degree and add a second major. Only the total hours required for the primary degree program requirement need to be completed, as no additional hours are required.
<b>Application of hours</b>	The dual degree may count any number of hours from the primary degree toward the secondary degree.	The double major may count any number of hours from the primary major toward the secondary major.
<b>Advising</b>	The student will be advised by both departments and a separate degree review will be completed by each.	The student will be advised by both departments and a separate degree review will be completed by each.
<b>General Education</b>	General education requirements for one degree may be used to satisfy the general education requirements for the other degree; however, the required general education courses for the secondary degree must be met.	General education requirements for the primary major may be used to satisfy the general education requirements for the secondary major unless there are prerequisites or co-requisites required for courses in the second major.
<b>Foreign language and other degree requirements</b>	All other degree requirements, such as demonstration of proficiency in a foreign language (if required), must be met and may not be waived.	If the primary major does not require a foreign language, the student is not required to demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language even if it is required by the secondary major.
<b>Writing intensive</b>	All dual degree students will be required to complete at least three semester hours of writing-intensive (WI) course work within the major area of each degree.	Double major students are not required to complete additional writing-intensive (WI) course work.
<b>Diploma</b>	Two diplomas are awarded.	One diploma is awarded that lists both the primary and the secondary major.
<b>Tuition surcharge</b>	Tuitions Surcharge threshold is higher for Dual Degree Students.	Tuitions Surcharge threshold is higher for double majors.
<b>Minor Requirement</b>	No minor required	No minor required

## Dual Degree Students

### DUAL Degree



Please submit a Petition indicating student is intending a “DUAL” degree so that intentions can be documented on the Degree Works audit.



#### **Student is Dual Degree Seeking**

Dual Degree students must complete a writing intensive in each major of the dual degree, must complete a minimum of 30 hrs at ECU in addition to the minimum required hours of the primary degree, must complete the Foreign Lang requirement if one degree is a BA, and must complete any required Foundations courses for the second degree.

### Total Hours

- Required semester hours from one degree and a minimum of 30 semester hours of course work at ECU toward the second degree.

### ECU Enrollment

- For a Baccalaureate Degree from ECU, 25% of Total Hours must be taken thru ECU (2012-newer) **OR** 30 semester hours of Total Hours must be completed thru ECU enrollment (2010-2011).
- 50% of EACH Majors discipline hours must be completed thru ECU enrollment.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*** Only study aboard courses administered by ECU will count toward in-residence status. Study abroad courses taken through other institutions (as approved for transfer by ECU) will not count toward in-residence hours.

### Regionally-accredited Senior College Requirement

- 50% of Total Hours must be from a 4 year Senior College.

### Foreign Language

- If First Degree Program is NOT a BA and Second Degree Program is a BA than **Foreign Language is REQUIRED.**



If you have submitted a request to waive a student’s Foreign Language. The registrar’s office assumes that you have spoken with the student and they understand that by waiving the foreign language requirement they will NOT be eligible for a dual degree.

### Writing Intensive

- Student must complete 3 semester hours of writing intensive course work in EACH major.



If a student is getting a Dual Degree in which both programs are the same (for example BS and BS) you must manually check in Degree Works to see that MAJOR WI was taken for EACH Major.

## Honors Requirements

- If a student has met his/her HNRS requirements for the first degree, the student does not need to meet different HNRS requirements for the second degree.



If a student has two degree audits than HNRS requirements in the second audit can be waived

## Foundations Curriculum

- Foundations Curriculum for the Second Degree is satisfied by completion of the foundations in the first degree UNLESS certain requirements are stated by Second Degree's major department.



Department needs to make this decision and submit a Sharepoint request regarding which courses can be waived.

## Minor

- A Minor is not required when a student is getting dual degree because hours for minor are met by the primary degree and vice versa.



An Exception can be submitted to waive the minor

## Application for Graduation

- Student must apply for graduation for each program

## Diploma

- Two diplomas will be received, one for Each Degree Program.
- For Example: Student is Dual Degree in BS in Biology and BA in Chemistry.

Diploma 1

Diploma 2

**Bachelor of Science  
Biology  
With a concentration in Ecology, Evolution**

**Bachelor of Arts  
Chemistry**

## Double Major Requirements

### Total Hours

- Based on primary major's required hours. 120, 126 or 128/plus whatever it takes to meet second major requirements.

### ECU Enrollment

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- 50% of EACH Major discipline hours must be completed thru ECU enrollment.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*** Only study abroad courses administered by ECU will count toward in residence status. Study abroad courses taken through other institutions (as approved for transfer by ECU) will not count toward in-residence hours.

### Regionally-accredited Senior College Requirement

- 50% of total hours (from primary program) must be from a 4 year Senior College.
- DW** If a student has two audits - Senior College hours are met by the first program's hours (shown on the first audit). If the second programs hours are more than the first, the 2<sup>nd</sup> audit may show that the overall senior college requirement is not met. Degree 1 (BS Degree = 120, Degree 2 (BA Degree = 126). Submit a request to waive the unmet condition On second Degree Works audit

### Foreign Language

- If second major is BA then Foreign Language can be waived.
- DW** If you have submitted a request to waive a student's Foreign Language. The registrar's office assumes that you have spoken with the student that they are aware that by waiving the foreign language requirement they will NOT be eligible for a dual degree.

### Writing Intensive

- Must complete one writing intensive from primary major.

### Honors Requirements

- If a student has met his/her HNRS requirements for the first major, the student does not need to meet different HNRS requirements for the second major.

**DW** If student has two audits - Anything in the second audit for HNRS can be waived

## Foundations Curriculum

- FC for second major can be waived based on completion Foundations of primary majors



If student has two audits please submit a request to waive any remaining FC on second audit.

## Major

- The double major may count any number of hours from the primary major toward the secondary major.
- The number of hours applicable toward a second major should not be limited.

## Minor

- A Minor is not required when a student a double major because hours for minor are met by the primary major and vice versa.



An Exception can be submitted to waive the minor

## Application for Graduation

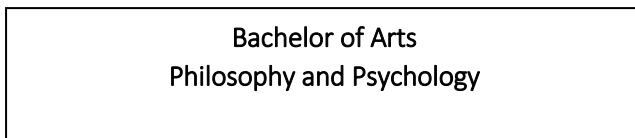
- Student must apply for graduation for EACH major program

## Diploma

- Double Majors receive One Diploma. Degree Conferred is from the Primary Degree Program with both majors listed.

**EXAMPLE 1:** Student has two majors, same degree (for example, BA Philosophy and BA Psychology) – one diploma with both majors listed.

### Diploma



**EXAMPLE 2:** Student has two majors, two degrees (for example, BFA Art and BA Hispanic Studies) – one diploma with both majors listed but degree is from primary major.

### Diploma

