**Policy for Undergraduate Minors at OSU**

An undergraduate minor consists of a coherent curricular program designed to allow students to pursue academic interests that go beyond their major.  Students pursue minors to complement their major’s area of specialization, to better define themselves academically and to employers, to gain credit for classes previously taken that do not count towards a major degree, or merely to pursue other interests.  In addition, some academic units require their students to obtain a minor.

Students may take any minor in any college provided that they follow the curricular guidelines set by the college or unit that administers the minor.

Pre-requisites

* Ideally none or few, but justified academically in many cases
* Pre-requisites should be clearly spelled-out in curricular proposal and advising sheets

Required for graduation

* No
* Colleges may impose a minor as a requirement for graduation for their majors
(e.g., FAES)

Credit hours required

* A minimum of 12 credit hours
* A maximum of 18 credit hours
* 1000-level courses shall not be counted toward the minimum

Upper-level credit hours

* Minor must include at least 6 hours of upper-level or upper-division course work (upper-level or upper-division as defined by the respective college)

Transfer credit hours allowed

* At least half of the credits counting toward the minor must be earned in regular OSU coursework

Overlap with the GE

* No more than 6 credit hours can overlap between the GE and a minor

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

* The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
* Each minor completed must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minors (i.e., minors that require more than 12 credit hours, may overlap those hours beyond 12 with the major or with another minor).

Grades required

* Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor
* Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required in the minor course work
* Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor
* No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor

Maximum xx93 credits allowed

* No more than 3 credit hours