Guidelines for Double-Counting Courses Between Majors/Minors

These guidelines apply through June 30, 2025. Starting in the 2025-2026 academic year, all students will be allowed to double count one approved course to two majors or between a major and a minor.

Department or Program	Rule for Majors	Rule for Minors	Additional Information
(Course Subjects)			
Africana Studies (AFRS)	Permission only	Permission only	Chair of Africana studies will work with
			student to discuss double counting cross-
			listed courses with other departments or
			programs
Anthropology (ANTH)	Unlimited	Unlimited	
Art- Art History (ARTH)	1	1	Must be crosslisted with ARTH
Art- Visual Art (VART)	Unlimited	Unlimited	Must be cross-listed with VART
Asian Studies (ASNS,	1	1	
CHIN, JPN)			
Biochemistry (BIOC)	Permission only	N/A	Biochemistry majors may not double major
			in chemistry, biology or neuroscience, and
			may only double count courses to a second
			major or a minor with permission of the
			biochemistry program
Biology (BIOL)	Electives only	Electives only	Electives for the biology major or minor may
		,	be double counted in a second department
			or program
			1 0
Chemistry (CHEM)	2	Unlimited	
Cinema Studies (CINE)	N/A	1	
Classics (ARCH, CLAS,	2	1	
GRK, LATN)			
Computer Science (CSCI)	1	0	
Earth & Oceanographic	2	Unlimited	Students coordinating their EOS major with
Science (EOS)			environmental studies may only double
			count two crosslisted courses; courses must
			be cross-listed with EOS
Economics (ECON)	Permission only	Permission only	The stats courses that count to the minor
		-	that are from outside ECON can double
			count to ECON
Education (EDUC)	2	2	Must be crosslisted with EDUC
English (ENGL)	3	1	
Environmental Studies	3	2	
(ENVS)			
Gender, Sexuality &	3	1	
Women's Studies (GSWS)			
German (GER)	1	1	Must be taught by a German faculty
	1	ĺ	member and be preapproved

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Government & Legal	1	1	Must be crosslisted with GOV and must be
Studies (GOV)			taken at Bowdoin (not from study away or transfer credit)
History (HIST)	Unlimited	Unlimited	Must be crosslisted with HIST
Latin American, Caribbean,	2	0	
and Latinx Studies (LACL)			
Mathematics (MATH)	See Note	See Note	Courses from other departments or
			programs do not count towards the math
			major or minor, but students may use
			MATH courses towards another major or
			minor if that department or program allows
Middle Eastern and North	N/A	0	No courses applied to either miner may be
	IN/A		No courses applied to either minor may be
African Studies (ARBC, MENA)			double-counted toward the student's major
Music (MUS)	0	0	
Neuroscience (NEUR)	See Note	N/A	Only courses that are required for the
			neuroscience major and a second major may
			double count; majors may not double-major
			or minor in biology or psychology; majors
			may not double-major in biochemistry or
			chemistry with a neurochemical
			concentration
Philosophy (PHIL)	See Note	See Note	Must be crosslisted with PHIL
Physics and Astronomy	Unlimited	Unlimited	
(PHYS)			
Psychology (PSYC)	0	0	Majors and minors may not also major in
			neuroscience
Religion (REL)	0	0	
Romance Languages and	1	1	Must be in target language (e.g., French,
Literatures (FRS, HISP,			Spanish, or Italian)
ITAL)			
Russian (RUS)	1	1	
Sociology (SOC)	Unlimited	Unlimited	
Theater and Dance (DANC,	0	0	
THTR)			
Urban Studies (URBS)	N/A	2	

A department/program official representing each major/minor must submit a Degree Requirement Exception

Authorization Form before any double-counting will be applied to a student's record. Last updated 12/13/2024