

## TERMS RELATED TO ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

TERM	DEFINITION	# HOURS	APPROVAL REQUIRED	TRANSCRIPTED
<b>Degree</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A title conferred on graduates as the result of having completed University requirements for that degree</li> </ul>	120 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President WIU Board of Trustees IBHE	YES
<b>Non-comprehensive Major</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes specific course requirements unique to a broad field of academic specialization and may include elective courses</li> <li>May be limited to a specific academic department or may include specified courses from more than one academic department</li> <li>Requires completion of a Minor as part of the degree program</li> </ul>	32 s.h. to 47 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President WIU Board of Trustees IBHE	YES
<b>Comprehensive Major</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes at least 48 semester hours and includes at least 15 s.h. outside the major discipline</li> <li>Does not require completion of a Minor as part of the degree program</li> </ul>	48-66 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President WIU Board of Trustees IBHE	YES
<b>Option</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For majors that have options, the core requirement shall be met as follows: a) non-comprehensive majors will have at least 9 s.h. of unique, invariant, required courses; and b) comprehensive majors will have at least 12 s.h. of unique, invariant, required courses. All options within a single major will have the same core.</li> <li>Subdivision which provides greater specificity within a major academic field of study</li> <li>Includes a set of unique required courses in addition to those specific courses required for the major field of study</li> <li>May include elective courses</li> </ul>	1/3 – 3/4 of the total hours for the major	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President	YES
<b>Minor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes specific course requirements unique to a minor field of study and may include elective courses</li> <li>May be limited to a specific academic department or may include specified courses from more than one academic department</li> </ul>	16 s.h. to 24 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President	YES
<b>Emphasis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved subset of courses within a Major</li> </ul>	Determined by department	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President	NO
<b>Track</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Informal subset of courses handled through advising</li> </ul>	Determined by department	None	NO
<b>Concentration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved set of courses limited to the Interdisciplinary Studies Major</li> <li>Integrates two or more academic disciplines to develop an area of study</li> <li>Does not replicate an existing major</li> </ul>	32 s.h. to 47 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President	YES
<b>Certificate of Undergraduate Studies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An approved specific set of undergraduate courses around a multidisciplinary- or single discipline-specific theme</li> <li>Does not replicate an existing major or minor</li> <li>Must have at least 60 s.h. to enroll in a certificate</li> <li>Must have successfully completed a bachelor's degree for certificate to be transcribed</li> </ul>	9-15 s.h.	CCPI Faculty Senate Academic Vice President	YES

**APPROVED:**

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