Major and Minor Declaration - Undergraduate

Major Declaration

Only degree-seeking students may declare a major. All degree-seeking students must have declared at least one major that is in the college from which the student is seeking a degree. Majors associated with degrees are called primary majors. Degrees are only awarded to the degree associated with primary majors. Students officially declare a major by means of the application for admission when they matriculate to the university in the Colleges of Communication, Education, Health Sciences and Nursing. Students in the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration and Engineering must officially declare a major before their junior year in the college and/or academic department that offers the desired major. All students who enter the university as an undeclared major, must officially declare a major within their college and/or academic department before their junior year. All students who wish to change a major, must do so by following the procedures in place in the college they currently reside and in the college and/or academic department that offers the desired major. No major may be declared that is not in active status at the time of the declaration. Upon declaration of the major, students normally are required to follow the current curriculum requirements in place at the time of the declaration, rather than those in effect at the time of admission. A minimum of 15 credits in the major must be taken at Marquette.

Major, Individually- Designed Interdisciplinary

When students are permitted to design a major, as per their college policy, the colleges offering the courses that are included in the designed major must have the opportunity to review and provide feedback to the students' college before the major is approved. This is facilitated by students completing the Application for Individually-Designed Interdisciplinary Major/Minor form, located on Marquette Central forms (https://www.marquette.edu/mucentral/registrar/policy_forms.shtml/) website.

Minor Declaration

Only degree-seeking students may declare a minor. Students officially declare or change a minor after enrolling in the university by means of a Minor Request/ Update form located on the Marquette Central academic forms website (http://www.marquette.edu/mucentral/registrar/policy_forms.shtml/). In order to receive appropriate advising and complete the requirements, the minor should be declared by the junior year. No minor may be added to the academic record for students who are not degree-seeking and are not added until students have first declared a primary major. In addition, a minor that is not in active status at the time of the declaration may not be added to the record. Upon declaration of the minor, students are normally required to follow the current curriculum requirements in place at the time of the declaration, rather than those in effect at the time of admission. A minimum of 9 credits in the minor must be taken at Marquette.

Minor, Individually-Designed Interdisciplinary

When students are permitted to design a minor, as per their college policy, the colleges offering the courses that are included in the designed minor must have the opportunity to review and provide feedback to the students' college before the minor is approved. This is facilitated by the student completing the Application for Individually-Designed Interdisciplinary Major/Minor form, located on Marquette Central forms website.