Proposed Revisions to AR 27. Subsequent Credentials: Minors, Certificates, Options, and Majors

Mark-up version. Blue strike-through text indicates proposed deletions and bolded red text indicates proposed additions.

AR 27. Subsequent Credentials: Minors, Post-Baccalaureate Certificates, Options, and Majors

- a. Subsequent Minors and Certificates: A student who has received a previous baccalaureate degree from either OSU or another regionally accredited university or college may be granted a subsequent minor or post-baccalaureate certificate. The student must:
 - Complete current requirements for minor or the certificate; a minimum of 15 credits in the minor or certificate must be taken in academic residence (i.e., taken at OSU) and not applied to a previous baccalaureate degree; and
 - 2. Achieve a minimum of 2.0 OSU cumulative grade-point average **(GPA)** and a minimum of 2.0 for credits applying toward the minor or certificate; and
 - 3. Complete the requirements of the college offering the certificate and Rreceive the dean's college's approval.
- b. **Subsequent Options and Majors:** A student who has received a previous baccalaureate degree from OSU may be granted a subsequent option or major credential. The student must:
 - Complete current requirements for option or major; a minimum of 20 upper division credits in the option or major must be taken in residence and not applied to a previous baccalaureate degree;
 - 2. Achieve a minimum of 2.0 OSU cumulative grade-point average and a minimum of 2.0 for credits applying toward the option or major.
 - 3. Receive the dean's approval.

Rationale: These revisions are in response to recommendations from the Faculty Workgroup on Double Dipping. The recommendation was to eliminate subsequent standalone majors and minors as they are very confusing, for both advisors and students, require extensive time on the part of advisors, and few students actually pursue or complete them (less than 10 students over the past 5 years).

If these revisions are approved, any student currently doing a subsequent major, minor, or option would be able to complete the program. If a specific college/program was interested in offering a minor or option as a certificate, they would need to create a certificate.

AR 27. Post-Baccalaureate Certificates

Clean version.

- a. A student who has received a previous baccalaureate degree from either OSU or another regionally accredited university or college may be granted a post-baccalaureate certificate. The student must:
 - 1. Complete current requirements for the certificate; a minimum of 15 credits in the certificate must be taken in academic residence (i.e., taken at OSU) and not applied to a previous baccalaureate degree;
 - 2. Achieve a minimum of 2.0 OSU cumulative grade-point average (GPA) and a minimum of 2.0 for credits applying toward the certificate; and
 - 3. Complete the requirements of the college offering the certificate and receive the college's approval.