

BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE

DIRECTORY OF POLICY STATEMENTS

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Subject: Dual Baccalaureate Degrees

The awarding of two degrees at the baccalaureate level may occur under given circumstances. The fulfillment of requirements for two baccalaureate degrees (B.S. or B.A. or both) may be undertaken simultaneously or concurrently but requires significant additional coursework (at least 30 credit hours, usually one additional year) in distinctly different fields with at least 15 distinct upper-division credits (i.e., not overlap with primary major requirements or overlap with the requirements of a minor or concentrations). The exception to this requirement is the bachelor of fine arts, in which two degrees may be awarded upon the fulfillment of the requirements of each degree. Students must earn a minimum of 150 credit hours to qualify for two baccalaureate degrees. The maximum number of degrees awarded at the baccalaureate level is two.

Students opting for a dual degree should contact the departments involved, request a review of their progress and academic advice concerning the second degree, and complete a Change Major/Minor/Concentration form to be filed with the Registrar's Office. Students pursuing dual baccalaureate degrees should seek academic advisement from the appropriate faculty advisers or department chairs in both majors to ensure that all dual degree requirements will be fulfilled.