

Additional Opportunities

The Honors College Awards and The Honors College Degree

The Honors College allows outstanding undergraduate students to earn the General Honors Award and the Departmental or College Honors Award in their majors. Students earning a minimum of 39 honors credit hours with grades of "A" or "B", completing both awards and graduating with cumulative and OSU grade-point averages of 3.50 or higher, earn The Honors College Degree (the highest honor conferred with the undergraduate degree at OSU) and receive a special honors diploma. Students may earn an international study emphasis by completing study outside the United States. Honors sections of many general education courses, interdisciplinary honors courses, and special honors seminars allow The Honors College students the advantages of small classes that encourage active interaction with outstanding professors. Students who are active participants in The Honors College also have access to The Honors College Lounge in the Library with its computer facility, priority enrollment for the following semester, and optional honors housing. For more information, contact the director of The Honors College.

Pre-Law, Pre-Medicine and Other Pre-Professional Programs

Students planning to enter a professional school should visit with their advisers and consult professional school admission and course work requirements listed in the specific school catalog. Many professional schools select students with a variety of bachelor's degrees, although most require a minimum basic core curriculum. Preprofessional program information is available in such areas as law, medicine, dental hygiene, dentistry, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathy, pharmacy, physical therapy, physician's associate, radiologic technology, social work, veterinary medicine, etc. For more information contact your adviser or the director of student academic services in your college or the Center for Prehealth Professions in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Minors and Certificates

A student who wishes to gain educational expertise in diverse areas may choose a minor or certificate. Minors or certificates are collections of courses (10-29 credit hours) focused on a particular subject area outside the student's degree program. Minors and certificates are noted on the transcript. A list of the requirements of current minors and certificates is available in the back of this book or online at registrar.okstate.edu.

Second Baccalaureate Degree

A student who completed a baccalaureate degree may use all applicable courses toward a second bachelor's degree and receive a second diploma. A minimum of 30 semester credit hours of additional work, including all requirements of the second bachelor's degree, is required. For more information, see Academic Regulation 3.10 in the *OSU Catalog*, contact an adviser or the director of student academic services.

Second Major

If a student majoring in one field also completes the requirements for a major in another field, the additional major will be noted on the student's transcript when the student graduates. Only the first major, however, is noted on the OSU diploma. The second major does not necessarily require hours above the minimum required for the first major, but may depend upon the use of electives or overlap between the two fields. For more information, contact an adviser, the director of student academic services, or the appropriate department.