

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Proposal 22-10 (Voting Units: Academic)

AMENDMENT OF PROPOSALS ON "MINORS IN DEGREE PROGRAMS"

1. Proposals Amended

This proposal amends Proposal 21-07 by complete replacement of the section titled "Catalog Copy", and this proposal adds a single sentence to the section titled "Faculty Endorsement and University Approval of a New Minor".

History: Proposal 21-07 amended Proposal 22-04. Proposal 22-04 amended Proposal 17-03. Proposal 17-03 amended Proposal 16-97.

2. Catalog Copy

The purpose of a minor is to officially recognize a student who takes a prescribed set of courses in a discipline outside their major. To receive a minor, students must be currently enrolled in a bachelor's degree program at Michigan Tech, have indicated that they are pursuing the minor by submitting a Curriculum Add/Drop form, and have completed all requirements for the minor. The award will be noted on the official transcript.

A student must add the minor to their record no later than the time when the student submits their application for graduation. A student cannot be awarded a minor that has the same title as their major or major concentration. Students who wish to pursue a certificate in the same academic discipline or subject area as a minor must receive permission from the academic department.

In addition to meeting the requirements specified by the academic unit offering the minor, a student must:

- Maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 for courses completed as part of the minor.
- Take at least 6 credit hours of 3000-level or higher minor-required courses that are not required as part of their major (except as free electives). If more than one minor is being pursued, the 6 credit hours of 3000-level or higher minor-required courses that are not required as part of their major (except as free electives) must be unique to each minor.
- At least 6 credit hours of the 3000-level or higher minor-required courses must be taken at Michigan Tech. Courses that meet the "at Michigan Tech" requirement are defined as courses listed in the course catalog and taught by a Michigan Tech instructor either on campus, at field locations, or through distance learning.

3. Sentence added to section "Faculty Endorsement and University Approval of a New Minor".

The following sentence is added to the end of the first paragraph:

Tracks, or focus areas, are not allowed in minors with the exception of the three minors with tracks that currently exist (Biological Sciences, Music, and Polymer Science and Engineering).

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