

Faculty Senate Routing Form
(action/proposal attached)

I. Item Title: Resolution to Limit the Number of Minors to Two Per Major Program

a) Brief Description: This resolution limits the number of minors a student can earn to two per major.

b) Initiated by: Academic Policy and Review Council

II. Faculty Senate Action: approved not approved other date: 10/27/2021

Comments: Voice Vote, Majority Opposed;

Vote: Voice Vote, Unanimous Voice Vote, Majority In Favor
 Electronic Clicker: 6Ayes 22Nays 0Abstentions

FS Secretary signature: Eun McNeil date 10/27/2021

III. Provost: for information Recognition of Receipt
 for action..... approved not approved

Comments: _____

Person responsible for Implementation: _____

Provost signature: [Signature] date 11/02/21

IV. Chancellor: for information Recognition of Receipt
 for action..... approved not approved

Comments: _____

Chancellor signature: [Signature] date 11-1-21

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Provost
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Associate Dean of Graduate School (for catalog)
Others (i.e. person responsible for implementation)

APRC Resolution to Limit the Number of Minors to Two per Major Program – October 13, 2021

WHEREAS the number of students requesting more than two minors be attached to one major program is minimal (around 1 in 12,000), and

WHEREAS enrollment and degree tracking systems in use at Western Carolina University are not able to track progress in more than two minors per major program, and

WHEREAS the burden of record-keeping, tracking progress towards completion, and notifying the Registrar's Office of the need to indicate fulfillment of these additional minors to a student's transcript just prior to graduation is placed on the advisor(s),

BE IT RESOLVED the Academic Policy and Review Council (APRC) recommends the following changes be made to the university catalog:

College/Department Degree Requirements

[skipping sections on Majors and Concentrations]

Minors. A minor consists of a group of prescribed and elective courses in an academic discipline, two or more closely related disciplines, an interdisciplinary field of study, or a specially designed individual program. It differs from a major principally in requiring fewer courses (16-24 semester hours) and providing less depth. Students must have a 2.0 in coursework to complete a minor.

A student may not major and minor in the same field, and may not have more than two minors per major.