

# PROGRAM CHANGES AND OR CATALOG CHANGES

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## Change of Program Form

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### Things to Consider

- Students should have a declared major by the time 45 credits have been earned. It is recommended that students maintain their majors. Declaring or dropping a major is connected to faculty advisor assignments.
- General education requirements may be different depending on the college that houses your new major. Students are subject to the general education requirements that are required by each college.
- Program changes may result in additional credit hours, which may impact your financial aid.
- Selecting a catalog year for major requirements is an option for most students. Students have two options: the term of entrance or the term in which the major or minor is declared. If you are in a teacher licensure program, you are bound by the Illinois State Board of Education requirements that may shift during your tenure as a student.

### Double Counting Credits

- **Major limitation:** 1/2 (50%) may double count. 50% of credits must be unique in both majors.
- **Minor limitation:** 2/3 (67%) may double count 33% of the credits must be unique.

### Define Terms

- **Double Major:** Two majors in the same college that are the same type of degree, for example, BA Psychology and BA Sociology.
- **Dual Degree:** Two majors in either different colleges or two majors that are a different types of degree, for example, BA Visual Arts Education and BA Art or BA Psychology and BS Biology.

### Change of Catalog

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### Things to Consider

- The College of Education is exempt from the 128 to 120 credit hour decrease due to state licensure requirements.
- Catalog changes are irrefutable, once the change has been applied, it cannot be reversed.
- If you are seeking to change your program (add or drop a major or minor) or catalog year, please use the [Program Change Form \(https://webforms.cuchicago.edu/academics/registrar/ug-program-change/\)](https://webforms.cuchicago.edu/academics/registrar/ug-program-change/)