

# Majors and Minors

## Major

The major is the principal field of study usually consisting of 25 percent or more of the total hours required in an undergraduate curriculum. At Taylor University, typical fields of study require students to earn a minimum of 30 hours of credit. The following requirements apply to the major:

- A 2.30 GPA in the major field is required. Higher GPAs are required in certain curricula (e.g. *social work*).
- Only courses with a grade of C- or better will count in satisfying major requirements.
- The major GPA is calculated to include all courses that could be counted toward the major, including courses in which a grade below C- is earned. This includes courses taken in concentrations, cognates, tracks, supporting areas, etc.
- If a major course is normally taken for a letter grade (A-F), the course cannot be counted in the major if taken pass-fail.
- Fifty percent of the hours in the major field must be earned at Taylor University.
- A comprehensive examination, paper, or project in each major field of study must be successfully completed.
- Students must make application and receive approval of both departments before adding concurrent majors; adding a third major requires approval of department chairs, the Curriculum Management Committee, and Registrar.

## Concentration

A concentration is an intensive study of a subject within a major field of study consisting of at least 30 percent of the major requirements. At Taylor University, concentrations are specialized areas within the major field and include tracks, application fields, supporting areas, and areas of emphasis. There is a range of required hours determined by standards within the field, along with requirements established by the department.

### Bachelor of Arts Degree (BA) Majors

#### School of Liberal Arts

##### Art

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Graphic Design  
 Photography  
 Two-Dimensional Studio  
 Three-Dimensional Studio

##### Biblical Literature

##### Christian Educational Ministries

##### Communication Studies

Corporate Communication  
 Relational Communication

##### Developmental Economics

##### Economics

##### English

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Creative Writing  
 Literature

##### French

##### Geography

##### Goal-Oriented

##### History

##### International Studies

*Select one required concentration:*  
 African, Asian, and Latin American Studies  
 Christian World Mission  
 European Studies  
 French Language and Literature  
 Peace, Reconciliation, and Justice  
 Middle East Studies  
 Spanish Language and Literature  
 World Literature  
 World Politics and Economics

##### Media Communication

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Production (*Audio or Film Emphasis optional*)  
 Public Relations  
 Web  
 Writing

##### Music

##### Philosophy

##### Political Science

##### Psychology

Pre-Medicine (*optional*)

##### Sociology

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Family Studies  
 Policy Studies  
 Sociological Studies  
 Urban Studies

##### Spanish

##### Theatre Arts

#### School of Natural and Applied Sciences

##### Biology

Pre-Medicine (*optional*)

##### Chemistry and Biochemistry

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Biochemistry  
 Pre-Medicine

##### Computer Science

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Graphics  
 Intelligent Systems  
 Scientific Computing  
 Software Studio

##### Computer Science–New Media

##### Mathematics

##### Physics

#### School of Professional and Graduate Studies

##### Accounting

##### Elementary Education

##### Exercise Science

*Select one required concentration:*  
 Exercise and Fitness  
 Pre-Professional

##### International Business

##### Management

##### Marketing

##### Social Work

##### Sport Management

## Bachelor of Music Degree (BM) Majors

### School of Liberal Arts

#### Music

Select *one* required concentration:

Composition  
Performance

#### Music Education

## Bachelor of Science Degree (BS) Majors

### School of Liberal Arts

#### Art Education

#### Art/Systems

Select *one* required concentration:

Graphic Design  
Photography  
Two-Dimensional Studio  
Three-Dimensional Studio

#### Biblical Literature/Systems

#### Christian Educational Ministries/Systems

#### Communication Studies/Systems

Corporate Communication  
Relational Communication

#### Developmental Economics/Systems

#### Economics/Systems

#### English Education

#### English/Systems

Select *one* required concentration:

Creative Writing  
Literature

#### French Education

#### Goal Oriented

#### History/Systems

#### Media Communication/Systems

Select *one* required concentration:

Production (*Audio or Film Emphasis optional*)  
Public Relations  
Web  
Writing

#### Music

Select *one* required concentration:

Church Music Ministries  
Studies in Management  
Studies in Marketing  
Studies in Theatre Arts

#### Philosophy/Systems

#### Political Science/Systems

#### Psychology/Systems

Pre-Medicine

#### Social Studies Education

Select *three* required concentrations:

Economics  
Geographical Perspectives  
Government and Citizenship  
Historical Perspectives  
Psychology  
Sociology

#### Sociology/Systems

Select *one* required concentration:

Family Studies  
Policy Studies  
Sociological Studies  
Urban Studies

#### Spanish Education

#### Theatre Arts/Systems

### School of Natural and Applied Sciences

#### Biology

Pre-Medicine

#### Biology Science Education

#### Biology/Systems

Pre-Medicine

#### Chemistry

#### Chemistry–Environmental Science

#### Chemistry Science Education

#### Chemistry/Systems

#### Computer Engineering

#### Computer Science

Select *one* required concentration:

Graphics  
Intelligent Systems  
Scientific Computing  
Software Studio

#### Computer Science/Systems

Select *one* required concentration:

Business Information Systems  
Graphics  
Intelligent Systems  
Scientific Computing  
Software Studio

#### Computer Science–New Media/Systems

#### Engineering Physics

#### Environmental Engineering

#### Environmental Science

Select *one* required concentration:

Biology  
Earth and Physical Science

#### Mathematics Education

#### Mathematics–Interdisciplinary

Select *minor or 2nd major*:

Accounting  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer Engineering  
Computer Science  
Economics  
Engineering Physics  
Environmental Science  
Finance  
Physics

#### Mathematics/Systems

#### Natural Science

Pre-Medical Technology

#### Physical Science Education

Select *one* required concentration:

Chemistry  
Physics

#### Physics

#### Physics/Mathematics Education

#### Physics Science Education

#### Physics/Systems

### School of Professional and Graduate Studies

#### Accounting/Systems

#### Elementary Education

#### Exercise Science

Select *one* required concentration:

Exercise and Fitness  
Pre-Professional

#### Finance

#### Health and Physical Education

#### International Business/Systems

#### Management/Systems

#### Marketing/Systems

#### Professional Writing

#### Social Work

#### Sport Management

## Associate of Arts Degree (AA) Majors

### School of Liberal Arts

#### Liberal Arts

### School of Natural and Applied Sciences

#### Management Information Systems

### School of Professional and Graduate Studies

#### Early Childhood Education

## Minor

Minors are intended to complement the major or provide a greater breadth to liberal arts education. The minor normally consists of 15 percent or more of the total hours required in an undergraduate curriculum and generally involves a course of study equivalent to about 50 percent of a major at Taylor University. The following requirements apply to the minor:

- A 2.30 GPA in the minor field is required.
- Only courses with a grade of C- or better will count in satisfying minor requirements.
- The minor GPA is calculated to include all courses that could be counted toward the minor, including courses in which a grade below C- is earned.
- If a minor course is normally taken for a letter grade (A-F), the course cannot be counted in the minor if taken pass-fail.
- Fifty percent of the hours in the minor must be earned at Taylor University.
- Students must make application and receive approval of both departments before adding concurrent minors; adding a third minor requires approval of department chairs, the Curriculum Management Committee, and Registrar.

### **Baccalaureate Minors**

Accounting	Corporate Communication	Geography	Physics
Applied Missions <sup>†</sup>	Creative Writing	History	Political Science
Applied Music	Developmental Economics	Human Resource Management	Pre-Law
Biblical Languages	Economics	Intercultural Studies/Missions	Psychology
Biblical Literature	English	International Studies	Public Relations
Biology	Entrepreneurship	Keyboard Pedagogy	Sociology
Business as Mission	Environmental Law and Policy	Literature	Spanish
Chemistry	Environmental Science	Management	Studio Art
Christian Educational Ministries	Environmental Studies	Marketing	TESOL
Church Music Ministries	Ethics	Mathematics	Theatre Arts
Communication Studies	Finance	Music Composition	Youth Ministry
Computer Science	French	Philosophy	

<sup>†</sup>Departmental approval required