

SUMMARY OF MAJORS, OPTIONS, & MINORS

Undergraduate Fields of Study

The B.A. in General Studies degree for nontraditional students also is available through the School of Continuing Education.

College of Arts & Humanities

Majors/Options	Degree	Minor	Teacher Certification
Africana Studies	B.S.	Yes	No
Art	B.A., B.F.A.	Yes	Option
Art History Option	B.A.	Yes	No
Graphic Design Option	B.F.A.	No	No
Studio Art Option	B.A.	No	No
Studio Art Option	B.F.A.	No	No
Communication Studies*	B.A.	Yes	No
Communication, Society and Popular Culture Option	B.A.	No	No
Corporate Communication Option	B.A.	No	No
Interpersonal Communication Option	B.A.	No	No
Mass Communication Option	B.A.	No	No
Public Relations Option	B.A.	No	No
English*	B.A.	Yes	Option & Minor
Foreign Languages* (French, German, & Spanish)	B.A.	Yes	Option & Minor
History*	B.A.	Yes	Option
International Studies Option	B.A.	No	No
Journalism*	B.A.	Yes	No
Music*	B.Mus.	Yes	Option
Performance Option	B.Mus.	No	No
Philosophy*	B.A.	Yes	No
Theatre Arts*	B.A.	Yes	Option & Minor

Minors are also available in Advertising, Asian Studies, Broadcast Meteorology, Creative Writing, English Language Arts, Film Studies, Jazz Studies, Latin American Studies, Medieval Studies, Neuroscience, Professional Writing, Public Relations, Religious Studies, and Women's Studies.

* An Honors Program is available in this major.

Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences

Majors/Options	Degree	Minor	Teacher Certification
<i>School of Business:</i>			
Accounting*	B.S.B.	Yes	No
Business Administration	B.S.B. ²	Yes	No
Finance*	B.S.B.	Yes	No
Management*	B.S.B.	No	No
Management Information Systems*	B.S.B.	Yes	No
Marketing*	B.S.B.	No	No
<i>School of Family and Consumer Sciences:</i>			
Family/Consumer Sciences*	B.S.	Yes	See CTE major
Dietetics Option	B.S.	No	No
Apparel & Textiles, Consumer Studies, Hospitality, and Merchandising Option	B.S.	No	No
Family Services Option	B.S.	No	No
<i>School of Technology:</i>			
Applied Engineering & Technology*	B.S.	Yes	See CTE major
Career and Technical Education ¹	B.S.	No	Yes
Organizational & Professional Development	B.S.	No	No

Minors are also available in Advertising, Entrepreneurship, Military Science, and Print and Textiles Design Technologies.

* An Honors Program is available in this major.

¹ Major emphasis available in Business Education, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, and Technology Education.

² Enrollment in this major is available only at Parkland College.

College of Education and Professional Studies

Majors/Option	Degree	Minor	Teacher Certification
Athletic Training	B.S.	No	No
Early Childhood Education	B.S.Ed.	No	Yes
Elementary Education	B.S.Ed.		
General Option	B.S.Ed.	No	Yes
Middle School Option	B.S.Ed.	No	Yes
Health Studies	B.S.	No	Option & Minor
Community Health Option	B.S.	Yes	No
First Responder Option	B.S.	No	No
Health Administration Option	B.S.	No	No
Kinesiology and Sports Studies ¹	B.S.	Yes	Option & Minor
Recreation Administration*	B.S.	Yes	No
Therapeutic Recreation Option	B.S.	No	No
Special Education*	B.S.Ed.		
Early Childhood Option ²	B.S.Ed.	No	Yes
Standard Special Option ²	B.S.Ed.	No	Yes

Minors are also available in Adult Education, Health Communication, Safety and Driver Education, and Leadership in Community Recreation.

* An Honors Program is available in this major.

¹ Concentrations available in Exercise Science and Sports Management.

² Students majoring in Learning Behavior Specialist I.

College of Sciences

Majors/Options	Degree	Minor	Teacher Certification
Biological Sciences*	B.S.	Yes	**
Environmental Biology Option	B.S.	No	No
Chemistry*	B.A., B.S.	Yes	**
Clinical Laboratory Science (Cooperative)	B.S.	No	No
Communication Disorders & Sciences* ¹	B.S.	No	***
Economics*	B.A.	Yes	No
International Studies Option	B.A.	No	No
Engineering (Cooperative) ²	B.S.	No	No
Geography*	B.S.	Yes	See Soc. Sci.
Geology*	B.S.	Yes	No
Mathematics*	B.A.	Yes	Option & Minor
Mathematics and Computer* Science	B.S.	No	No
Nursing ³	B.S.	No	No
Physics*	B.S.	Yes	**
Applied Physics Option	B.S.	No	No
Astronomy Option	B.S.	No	No
Computational Physics Option	B.S.	No	No
Engineering Physics Option	B.S.	No	No
Radiation Physics Option	B.S.	No	No
Political Science*	B.A.	Yes	see Soc. Sci.
International Studies Option	B.A.	No	No
Psychology*	B.A.	Yes	see Soc. Sci.
Science w/ Teacher Cert.**	B.S.	No	Yes
Social Science Teaching+	B.A.	No	Yes
Sociology*	B.A.	Yes	see Soc. Sci.

Minors also available in Anthropology, Asian Studies, Broadcast Meteorology, Criminology, Earth Science, Environmental Studies, Environmental Sustainability, Geographic Information Sciences, Neuroscience, Pre-Law Studies, and Religious Studies. In addition, the College offers pre-professional programs in Pre-Chiropractic, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Medicine (Allopathic, Osteopathic), Pre-Nursing, Pre-Occupational Therapy, Pre-Optometry, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Physician's Assistant, Pre-Physical Therapy, Pre-Podiatry, and Pre-Veterinary Medicine.

* An Honors Program is available in this major.

** The Science Major with Teacher Certification offers specializations in Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, and Physics.

*** Type 73 Support Personnel Certificate earned at the graduate level.

+The Social Science Teaching Major offers designations in Geography, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology-Anthropology.

¹ In the CDS major, professional credentials are earned at the graduate level.

² The Engineering Cooperative requires three years of study at EIU followed by two more years at UI-UC or SIU-C. The College of Sciences also offers a pre-professional program in Pre-Engineering.

³ Only Registered Nurses are eligible for admission to the B.S. in Nursing Program.

Majors and Minors

Undergraduate Degrees at Eastern Illinois University

Definition of Terms

Degree

A degree is the title which the University confers on a graduate as the result of his/her having completed university requirements for that degree. Eastern Illinois University confers the following degrees at the undergraduate level:

- Bachelor of Arts (BA)
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)
- Bachelor of Science (BS)
- Bachelor of Science in Business (BSB)
- Bachelor of Science in Education (BSEd)
- Bachelor of Music (BMus)

Major

A major is a field of study containing specific course requirements unique to a broad field of academic specialization. Requirements of all majors offered at EIU appear in this section.

Note: A student pursuing a degree other than a BS in Business cannot count more than 30 semester hours of business subjects toward fulfillment of bachelor's degree requirements.

Option

An option is a subset of a major academic field and provides a greater specificity within the broad area of knowledge of that major field of study. Examples of options offered at EIU are the teacher certification options offered in many of the majors, and such specialized options as the Graphic Design Option in the Art major.

Minor

A minor is a part of a student's curriculum which allows that student to formally participate in a discipline or field of study outside his or her major. Most degree programs do not require a minor.

In order to declare a minor or minors:

- Students earning fewer than 60 hours should go to the Office of the Registrar and Enrollment Management
- Students earning 60 or more hours should contact their college certification officer when applying for graduation and ask him or her to add the minor(s).

For students in teacher certification programs who wish to be certified in more than one teaching discipline, teacher certification minors are available. These minors are NOT available to students enrolled in majors that are not teacher certification programs. Completion of a teacher certification minor does not guarantee that the individual will be granted an endorsement to teach in that field. Individuals must meet all requirements (including state tests) as set forth by the Illinois State Board of Education to be granted an endorsement in a second teaching field. Once the appropriate Dean indicates that the student has met the catalog requirements for the program, the teaching minor will be entered on the applicant's permanent record.

A student should plan a minor or teaching minor program in consultation with an appropriate advisor or Department Chairperson. If a student wishes to add a minor after having applied for graduation, he or she must contact their college certification officer and ask to add the minor.

Requirements for Minors

- a. Students should declare their minor as soon as possible.
- b. No courses in the minor can be taken credit/no credit unless they are courses which are designated as credit/no credit (such as internship).
- c. At least six (6) semester hours of the coursework in the minor must be completed in residence. These six (6) hours must also be taken for a grade in order to establish a grade point average for the minor.
- d. Minor GPA is computed from grades earned in minor courses taken at EIU only.
- e. Semester hours earned in independent study, research, internship, or study abroad may be used toward minor requirements at the discretion of and with the approval of the minor department(s).
- f. In order for the minor to appear on a student's permanent transcript, students must have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.00 in a non-teaching minor. Students with teaching minors who entered Fall 2002 and thereafter must earn a GPA of at least 2.65 in order for the minor to appear on their permanent transcript.

Pre-Degree and Non-Degree Programs

Pre-degree and non-degree programs are those which do not lead to graduation at EIU. The student and his/her advisor may make changes to such programs without the formality of application for a waiver.

Responsibility of the Student

The student has the ultimate responsibility to fulfill the requirements for a degree/program, to check his/her own eligibility to take courses, and to observe the academic rules governing his/her program. The advisor's role is to assist him/her in making important decisions.