Minors at the University of Georgia

The intent of establishing minor fields of study is to offer students the opportunity to broaden their education through the minor field. The selection of a minor field of study should be made to fulfill this goal.

Important Information
- A minor must contain 15 to 18 semester hours of course work, with at least 9 hours of upper division course work, in a field of study other than the student's major.
- Courses taken to satisfy Core Areas I through V may not be counted as course work in the minor.
- Courses taken in Core Area VI may be counted as course work in the minor.
- If a course satisfies a major requirement, it cannot also be used to satisfy course requirements for a minor.
- A student may have more than one minor.
- The completed minor will be recorded on the student's permanent transcript, but not on the diploma.

To add a minor:
1) Log in to Athena (https://athena.uga.edu).
2) Under the Student tab, click the My Programs menu item.
3) In My Programs, click the Add Minor button
4) Select the minor you wish to add
5) Confirm your selection

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Agricultural & Applied Economics
Agricultural economics applies economic principles to food and fiber production, natural resource management, community and regional economic development, international trade, and environmental policy. Students take courses in economic theory, econometrics, statistics, accounting, technical agriculture, and the physical and biological sciences.

Anthropology
Anthropology is the study of the origin, development and behavior of humankind. Students gain anthropological knowledge of human cultural behavior and human-environment interaction. This broad understanding of culture behavior and human interaction provides for preparation for work in all sectors of the economy.

Art/Art History
The objective of a concentration in Art History is the development of a basic knowledge of the history of art within the broader context of social, intellectual and cultural history.

Classical Culture
The Classical Culture program focuses on the literature, history, archaeology, art, philosophy, and religion of the Greco-Roman world. Studying Classical Culture improves a student's ability to communicate cross culturally, increases their understanding and sensitivity to different cultures, and broadens their knowledge regarding the world.

Cognitive Science
Cognitive science is an emerging new science of mind and intelligent processes involving humans, animals, computers, and the abstract. The field spans a wide variety of standard disciplines including psychology, computer science, anthropology, linguistics, biology, and education and includes courses in artificial intelligence, psychological foundations, language and cultural foundations, and philosophical foundations.

Communication Studies
Communication Studies is a branch of liberal arts that seeks to develop skills in individual oral and written expression, critical thinking, group discussion, problem solving, and conceptualizing functions of communication. Students receive instruction in interpersonal and public communication, as well as acquire understanding of both theory and application.

Comparative Literature
Comparative Literature differs from other literature concentrations largely through its international focus and broad view of culture. With such a broad focus, students studying comparative literature can use their degree in a variety of ways. This field provides students with sensitivity to international cultures and is particularly useful for careers in foreign-service.

Consumer Economics
Consumer Economics program prepares students to understand how consumers make choices in their daily lives. Students learn how fraud & deception, products of varying quality, and inadequate information affect consumer decisions. The role of information is a central theme.

Environmental Econ & Management
The Environmental Economics & Management (EEM) program prepares students for public and private positions in natural and environmental resource analysis and management. EEM students are trained to understand and appreciate the economic and non-economic aspects of resource and environmental problems, including social, ecologic, physical, and legal considerations. The EEM program is designed for individuals who desire to "make a difference" when it comes to wise, efficient, and productive management of public and private natural and environmental resources.

Environmental Health Science
Environmental Health Science is the study of the biological, chemical and physical agents occurring naturally or introduced into the environment and their effects on our health and well-being. It includes a study of human activities, a vital component in our complex ecosystem. It serves the general welfare by safeguarding and improving the quality of food, shelter, air, water and other natural resources.

Exercise and Sport Science
The Exercise & Sport Science program is designed to provide students exposure to the scientific basis of physical activity, exercise and sport.

Geography
The Geography program is designed to expose students to the areas of human, regional, and physical geography, as well as geographic techniques. In addition to studying landmasses, Geography focuses on climate, and, sea, air, plant, mineral resources, population density, environmental changes, and how people adapt to these things. Students trained in geography bring increased awareness of global issues, sensitivity to cultural differences, and an understanding of the complexity of environmental issues on life.

Global Health
The global health minor will provide students with a better understanding of the concept of "global health" and how by its nature, holds significant health implications for all individuals. This minor aims to: 1) Increase students' understanding of the global character of health problems; 2) Demonstrate the need for a multi-disciplinary approach to solving global health problems; and 3) Develop knowledge that will assist in advocacy for the promotion of the solution of global health problems.

History
History is the study and research of major social, economic, political and cultural events of the past. The history student meets an important need for the business world by providing the ability to analyze and write effectively, and by developing a sense of balanced judgment.

Housing
The Housing program gives students experience in various aspects of housing including needs assessment; financing; federal, state, and local housing programs; housing policy; housing theory; household technology; property management; and real estate. The program helps students gain a comprehensive understanding of housing as a product, an environment, a service, and a process for sheltering a diverse and changing population adequately, accessibly, and affordably. Coursework delves into such topics as mortgages, financing, governmental policies dealing with housing, and social issues related to the field, and also includes sales (leasing), accounting, development, human resources, technology services, training, and management.

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Human Development & Family Science
A minor in Human Development and Family Science provides students with knowledge of key concepts underlying individual and family development across the life cycle. It provides students with core knowledge and orients them to issues concerning the development and functioning of individuals and families throughout the life cycle; infancy, childhood, adolescence, young adulthood, middle age and aging.

Linguistics
Linguistics investigates the systematic structural properties of languages to determine similarities and differences among languages. Linguistics also investigates the sociological pressures on language use and the ways in which these pressures are reflected in language variation and change. Moreover, linguistics examines the psychological processes by which languages are learned and the way mature language users produce and interpret linguistic expressions.

Music
This program is intended for students who possess a background in music and wish to continue their study while majoring in another discipline. The music minor requires music courses in the areas of performance, music theory, and music history.

Nutrition Science
The program of study in Nutrition Science is designed for students who are interested in training for careers in health-related fields and who wish to understand the basis for nutrient functions and human nutrient requirements. Nutrition Science is an integrative discipline that requires specialized training in the roles of nutrients in supporting functions of the body and all its parts, from the whole person to the organ systems and their constituent cells.

Philosophy
Philosophy is a program that seeks to understand the nature of human beings through analyzing, interpreting, and logically explaining what human beings believe, value, and do. As a division of the liberal arts, it involves the systematic study of the truths or principles underlying basic issues such as the nature of reality, knowledge, value, and obligation. Students of philosophy acquire skills of critical thinking, learn to discover and evaluate basic assumptions, are trained in accurate analysis of concepts and ideas, and can easily construct logical and reliable arguments.

Political Science
Political science studies governments around the world by concentrating on how a government’s structure and function affect social order. Students who study political science gain a solid awareness in the diversity of government around the globe and the various political theories, parties, and interest groups that correspond with these systems. In addition, students develop an understanding of international relations, public laws, public administration, personal rights and freedoms, justice, and political authority. Political science helps students develop their analytical of individuals, families, communities, and populations, locally and globally.

Public Health
Public health protects and improves the health of individuals, families, communities, and populations, locally and globally.

Religion
The study of religion is a meditation on cultural difference. This multi-cultural scope is not unique to the study of religion, but it is one of the paramount values that the study of religion offers the liberal arts student in an increasingly cosmopolitan world. Our sources, the objects of our study, elude neat categorization. They challenge our own ways of life, and often pose severe tests of self-examination. Some of them represent traditions of learning as rigorous as ours and far more ancient.

Sociology
Sociology is the study of human behavior and interaction in the context of culture and society. Sociology studies the social institutions formed by mankind to determine the influence these institutions have upon individual and groups. There are many specialties in sociology that include marriage and family, community, gerontology, criminology, rural and urban studies, juvenile delinquency, and social and political organizations.

Spanish
Students majoring in Spanish will take courses that combine the study of literature, language, culture, and linguistics, which will lead to a development of language proficiency and an understanding of the Spanish-speaking world. This world primarily consists of the language, culture and literature of Spanish-speaking countries found in South America and Spain. Proficiency in a foreign language also helps students with this major find employment in the public and private sectors. Having a greater sense of the Spanish culture, students are prepared for professions in government, politics, international relations, business, banking, trade, travel, or a host of other professions.

Statistics
Statistics has been described as the science of learning from data: everything from planning for the collection of data and data management, to end-product activities such as drawing conclusions from data and presentation of results. Statistics includes the scientific application of mathematical principles to the collection, analysis, and presentation of data. Statisticians contribute to the design of surveys and experiments; collection, processing, and analysis of data; and interpretation of the results. Statisticians apply their methods in all subject areas. Sampling—obtaining information about a population of people or group of things by surveying a small portion of the total is often used.

Studio Art
The minor in Studio Art provides students with the opportunity to integrate creative and artistic practice with other academic or research pursuits. Students selecting the minor in Studio Art are not necessarily pursuing careers as practicing professional artists; rather they are seeking a unique program of study where the visual arts and creativity provide desirable skills.

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) provides the latest theories, strategies and practices related to second language and multilingual education.

Transnational European Studies
Through the completion of this program, undergraduate students will gain historical, cultural, political, and linguistic knowledge of Europe. This minor encourages students to think both broadly and critically as they develop language skills and intercultural competency, exploring European cultures in their diversity and history.

Women’s Studies
Majoring in women’s studies can enhance a student’s career preparation by increasing the understanding of social diversity, giving students an international and interdisciplinary perspective, equipping students with critical and analytical skills, and providing a background and understanding of women and the role they play in the public and private sectors.

Complementary UGA Minors for a BSW