Second Majors & Second Degrees Policy

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Purpose:
This policy is to explain the process for obtaining a second major and a second degree.

Policy:
Undergraduate Second Major:
A second major may be pursued (a) after the completion of a baccalaureate degree and (b) in the same degree area as the first major. It does not lead to a second degree awarded unless the student completes an additional 30 credits. If the student completes an additional 30 credits, a second degree is awarded. Students must successfully complete all requirements for the second major.

Undergraduate Second Degree:
Students may simultaneously earn two degrees from Clarion University from a different college of the university or different degree (B.S., B.A., or B.F.A.) within the same college by completing all coursework for those degrees. In this case, the student will receive two diplomas. Students who have earned their first baccalaureate degree from another institution are responsible for satisfying Clarion University’s residence requirement.

Graduate Dual Degree:
Graduate students pursuing two dual graduate degrees are required to take a minimum of 12 hours beyond the minimal credit requirements for the degree program with the most required credits.

Post-Baccalaureate Students Returning for a Second Undergraduate Degree:
Students need to complete an additional 30 credits (regardless of number of earned credits of the first degree) and complete degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation for second undergraduate degree.

Post-Masters Students Returning for a Second Masters Degree:
Students need to complete an additional 15 credits (regardless of number of earned credits of the first masters degree) and complete degree requirements in effect at time of matriculation for second Masters degree.