

MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Hudelson, Executive Secretary
Faculty Senate

FROM: Becky Bitter, Registrar's Office

FOR: Academic Affairs Committee

DATE: September 26, 2024

SUBJECT: Proposal to Revise Rule 54

On September 24, 2024, AAC approved a proposal to revise Rule 54, section 2. Advisors and faculty requested the change because of some confusion about what "taken in residence at WSU" means. For Global campus students in particular, the terminology can lead students to think that they have to come to a physical campus in order to fulfil this requirement.

54. UNDERGRADUATE MINORS AND ADDITIONAL MAJORS

Undergraduate minors and additional majors emphasize study in an area outside a student's primary major. An undergraduate minor or additional major is a supplemental academic award that is awarded at the same time that a student's primary major is completed and the undergraduate degree is conferred.

Students should consult with the department concerning specific requirements and restrictions for these supplemental academic awards. The following general provisions apply:

a. Minors:

1. An undergraduate student who has been admitted to a primary major may be admitted to pursue a minor with the approval of the offering department or designee.
2. The minimum university requirement for awarding an undergraduate minor is 16 semester credits, 9 of which must be in upper-division work ~~and taken in residence at WSU~~ earned in WSU courses or through WSU-approved education abroad or educational exchange courses.

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At this time, Faculty Senate review and approval is recommended, to be effective spring 2025.