The Academic Minor

Many departments have designed academic minors for the convenience of undergraduate students.

A minor is a structured group of courses that leads to considerable knowledge and understanding of a subject, although with less depth than a major. Some employers consider minors desirable, and the corresponding major requirements at the University may stipulate a minor. Some students choose to complement their major program with a minor in a related field or even in an entirely different field of interest. Students interested in pursuing an academic minor should contact their college dean’s office and the department responsible for the minor program for guidance and advising.

Please note that undergraduate students can only complete a minor in addition to and as a complement to a major. The University does not award stand-alone minors.

Minor in Appalachian Studies

This minor offers the student with serious interests in Appalachian regional studies an opportunity to pursue a minor concentration to complement a major in one of the university’s professional or liberal arts programs. This interdisciplinary program enables students to comprehend more fully the history, health, social structure, environment, and culture of the region – its people, its challenges, and its future.

The minor in Appalachian Studies requires 18 hours of course work to include the following:

1. APP 200 Introduction to Appalachian Studies
2. Choose 15 hours of Appalachian Studies elective courses. These courses must be chosen from the list of elective courses approved by the Director of Appalachian Studies each semester. Examples include:
   - AAS/SOC 235 Inequalities in Society
   - ANT 536 Global Appalachia
   - APP 395 Independent Study
   - APP 399 Practicum
   - CLD/SOC 360 Environmental Sociology
   - ENG 425 Environmental Writing
   - HIS 580 History of Appalachia
   - MUS 301 Appalachian Music
   - SOC 534 Sociology of Appalachia
   - SW 325 Social Justice Foundations

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For a current listing of courses and further information, visit:

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