

Multiple Use of Courses on Degree Audits

The college's double counting policy will allow a course to be used to meet departmental, college, and university requirements but it can only be used once within a double counting group (defined below) and only twice overall (DARS will allow a course to fall in three places IF a minor or a secondary major (I AG or SEEDS) is involved). When a course is used for double counting, the group requirements in both categories are fulfilled and the student gains free elective credits. The double counting groups are important because DARS is programmed to allow double counting across groups but not within a group.

Area A University	Area B College	Area C Life Sciences	Area D Everything Else
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• US Diversity• International Perspective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humanities• Social Sciences• Ethics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biol 211• 3cr Life Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agronomy major requirements

Examples:

- a) Agronomy 114 can be used to meet an agronomy curriculum requirement ('D. Everything else') and a college life science requirement (C) because it is across double counting groups.
- b) If a student chooses to take a humanities course for U.S. diversity, the course meets both the humanities and U.S. diversity requirements and the student gains 3 credit hours of free electives.
- c) If a student uses Agron 450 for the departmental requirement in the Agroecology option, the course may be used also to meet the college ethics requirement or the university international perspectives requirement but can only be used to meet two of these three requirements. For other agronomy options where Agron 450 is not required, Agron 450 can be used to meet both international perspectives and ethics requirements.
- d) If a student chooses courses that maximize double counting, they may use humanities and social science courses for U.S. diversity and international perspectives requirements, and an agronomy (everything else) course for ethics.
- e) If a student takes an agronomy course that is approved for both the ag issues requirement and another curricular requirement, it cannot be double counted because both are in the same group (D 'Everything else'). However, in this situation the advisor could apply the course to one of the requirements and waive the other requirement.

Please note that:

- a) the double counting groups do not fall within the same categories of core requirements as listed in the 2009/11 catalog (see below) and
- b) the total credits stated in the catalog in categories are not enforced if double counting is used.

Minimum Core Requirements (2009/2011)

Credits Subject Area

- 9.5 Interpersonal and public communication skills
 - 6 English composition with grades of C or better
 - 3 Speech fundamentals with grades of C or better
 - 0.5 Lib 160
- 17 Mathematical, physical, and life sciences
 - 3 Mathematics
 - 3 Statistics
 - 5 Physical science (e.g., chemistry, geological and atmospheric sciences, physics)
 - 6 Life sciences including Biology 101 or 211, and 3 credits of life sciences from a college-approved list:
(http://www.ag.iastate.edu/student/student_services.php)
- 12 Humanities, social sciences
 - 3 Humanities
 - 3 Social sciences
 - 3 U.S. diversity from an approved list
 - 3 International perspectives from an approved list
- 3 Ethics