UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE
SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES
UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR POLICIES/GUIDELINES

All majors in the School of Humanities are expected to adhere to the following policies/guidelines in addition to Academic Senate Guidelines http://senate.uci.edu/committees/councils/council-on-educational-policy-cep/council-on-educational-policy-manual/:

Number of Courses Required for a Major
Majors must consist of a minimum of 12 courses, IN ADDITION to School of Humanities Requirements.

- No overlap is permitted between School and Departmental/major requirements. (The only exception is second year Greek and Latin which may be applied to the foreign language literature requirements in Comparative Literature and English.)
- Majors requirements may specify specific languages to be completed as part of the departmental requirements, however completion of course work equivalent to the sixth quarter of study is considered a School Requirement.

Courses within the Major

- Departmental/major requirements typically include a maximum of 3 lower-division courses, and a minimum of 6 upper-division courses. Lower-division major courses should be accessible to all students with minimal or no prerequisites. Lower-division courses should provide an introduction to the discipline and serve as a foundation for upper-division coursework.
- “Topics vary” courses may be included within major requirements, however, requirements should predominately be “set topic” courses within the discipline.
- In the case of majors in the foreign languages, major course work begins at the upper-division level; second year language is a prerequisite to language courses taught in the language itself.

Additional Overlap Information

- Maximum Overlap Between Major Requirements: In fulfilling degree requirements for multiple majors, a maximum of two courses may overlap between any two majors.
- Maximum Overlap Between Major and Minor Requirements: In fulfilling minor requirements, a maximum of two courses may overlap between a major and a minor. No course overlap is permitted between minors.
- No overlap is permitted between the Humanities Core Course Alternative and departmental/major requirements.
- Courses taken to fulfill a school or departmental requirement may apply to UCI general education requirements.

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