

CHAPTER FOUR: PROGRAMS & COURSES

DEGREE AND PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Algoma University offers a wide variety of degree programs both three and four years, at the undergraduate level. As well, the University offers certificate and honours diploma programs.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (General)

3-year, 90 credits

MAJORS:

Accounting, Anishinaabemowin, Community Development, Community Economic and Social Development, Economics, English, Fine Arts, French, Geography, History, Law and Justice, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology

BACHELOR OF ARTS (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJORS:

Community Economic and Social Development, English, Finance and Economics, Geography, History, Law and Justice, Political Science, Psychology (honours & non-honours), Sociology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (General)

3-year, 90 credits

MAJORS:

Biology, Computer Science, Mathematics

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJORS:

Biology, Computer Science, Psychology

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJOR:

Business Administration
(Accounting, Economics, Human Resources, Marketing)

BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJOR:

Computer Science
(Business Systems Management, Computer Game Technology, and Computer Game Technology - Creative Arts)

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJOR:

Visual Arts

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (Honours)

4-year, 120 credits

MAJOR:

Social Work

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS (30 credits)

Accounting, Business, Community Economic and Social Development, Computing, Computer Game Technology, Geomatics, Human Resources, Interdisciplinary Aboriginal Learning, Public Policy & Administration, Law and Justice, Marketing, and Social Welfare

HONOURS DIPLOMA

Honours diploma programs are available in Biology, Computer Science, English, Geography, History, Law and Justice, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology. Admission to the Honours diploma program will require the successful completion of a general degree with an average of at least 70% in all required courses. The program of courses required for the diploma will be selected by the Department and approved by the University Registrar.

COURSE CATEGORIES

For the purposes of satisfying degree regulations and course selection, subjects offered by Algoma University are divided among the following groups:

ARTS

GROUP 1: HUMANITIES

Anishinaabemowin, Chinese, English, Film, Fine Arts Studies, French, Italian, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Spanish, Visual Arts

GROUP II: SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History, Law and Justice, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology

OTHER:

Information Technology, Community Economic and Social Development

NON-ARTS

GROUP III: SCIENCES

Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Geology, Mathematics, Physics

GROUP IV: PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Business Administration, Social Work

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Major	Required High School Prerequisites: 6 U/M level courses at the Grade 12 level including:	BA 3yr	BA 4yr	BSc 3yr	BSc 4yr	BBA 4yr	BCOSC 4yr	BFA 4yr	BSW 4yr	Certificate	Honours Diploma	Minors
Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe Language)	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓								✓		✓
Biology	ENG4U, MHF4U, 2 U/M Sciences (Biology & Chemistry recommended) Minimum 65%			✓	✓						✓	✓
Business Administration	ENG4U, MDM 4U, 1 other U/M Math, Minimum 70%					✓				✓		✓
Accounting		✓				✓				✓		✓
Economics						✓						✓
Human Resources						✓				✓		✓
Marketing						✓				✓		✓
Community Development	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓										
Community Economic & Social Development	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓							✓		✓
Computer Science	For BCOSC : ENG4U, MHF4U, 1 other U/M Math: For BSc: ENG4U, MHF4U, 2 other U/M Sciences (Physics & Chemistry Recommended) Minimum 65%			✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓
Business Systems Management							✓					
Computer Games Technology							✓			✓		
CGT - Creative Arts							✓					
Economics	ENG4U, MHF4U, 1 other U/M Math Minimum 65%	✓										✓
English	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓								✓	✓
Finance & Economics	ENG4U, MHF4U, 1 other U/M Math Minimum 65%		✓									
Fine Arts (Visual)	ENG4U + Portfolio minimum 65%	✓						✓				✓
Geography	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓
History	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓								✓	✓
Law & Justice	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓
Mathematics	For BA: ENG4U, MHF4U, 1 other U/M Math For BSc: ENG4U, MHF4U, 2 other U/M Science (Physics & Chemistry Recommended) Minimum 65%	✓		✓								✓
Modern Languages	ENG4U minimum 65%											
French		✓										✓
Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe)		✓										✓
Music	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓										✓
Philosophy	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓										
Political Science	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓
Psychology	For BA: ENG4U For BSc: ENG4U, MHF4U, 2 other U/M Science (Physics & Chemistry Recommended) Minimum 65%	✓	✓		✓						✓	✓
Social Work	ENG4U minimum 70%								✓	✓		
Sociology	ENG4U minimum 65%	✓	✓								✓	✓

DEGREE REGULATIONS FOR B.A. PROGRAMS

1. During the first year of studies (30 credits), students may not take more than 6 credits in the same subject, except as may be required by a specific program regulation approved by Senate, or as may be approved by the University Registrar.
2. The maximum number of first-year level credits which may be applied to a B.A. degree program is 42; B.B.A. (48 cr).
3. The subject of a student's major may be chosen upon admission to the University but must be declared by the beginning of the second year (after 30 credits). The selected subject of the major must be approved by the department. Specific requirements for each subject of the major are listed in the "Programs and Courses" section of this Calendar. With the permission of the departments concerned, a student may select combined majors in two different subject areas.
4. Students must successfully complete at least 6 credits from each of Groups I (Humanities), Group II (Social Sciences, and Group III (Sciences).
5. Students enrolled in B.A. programs offered in areas other than Humanities or Social Sciences (e.g. Computer Science, Mathematics) must meet the normal Arts requirements.
6. A student may transfer from a Professional or Science Program to an Arts Program with the permission of the University Registrar and the Department offering the program. A maximum of 30 professional or science credits may be approved by the University Registrar as transfer credits to an Arts Program. Courses such as Commerce Diploma Courses, Nursing Clinical Courses, Physical Education Activity Courses, and Education Courses are examples of courses which will not be credited to an Arts Program.
7. A student in a degree program may not retain credit for more than one of the following introductory statistics courses on the list below:
ADMN 2606, ECON 2126, GEOG 2026, POLI 2126, PSYC 2126, SOCI 2126, STAT 2126, STAT 2606.

Students will normally take the course offered by the department of their major but in special circumstances may, with the permission of their department, take one of the other social science introductory statistics courses on the list. For credit, the grade obtained must meet the grade requirements of the department of the major. Students transferring into a social science department from another faculty who have completed one of the listed courses in their original program at a grade level acceptable to their original unit for credit, will receive credit for the course in their new program provided that the grade obtained also meets the requirements of the new program. A non-arts introductory statistics course will be included in the maximum of 30 credits from professional schools or science programs that a student may include in an arts program.

An introductory statistics course completed outside a student's major that is accepted as fulfilling a requirement in the student's program will remain on the student's transcript under the original subject/course-code designation.

Minimum Grade Requirement For Academic Progression

For all degree programs at Algoma University, students are required to achieve a minimum grade of 60 percent in all required discipline-specific introductory courses. This grade minima must be met for academic progression in declaring a major and/or minor. Students who have passed discipline-specific introductory courses without the required 60 percent grade may complete the introductory courses concurrently with upper year courses in year two of their program.

ACADEMIC STANDING

A student's academic standing or annotation at Algoma University is calculated and recorded on a student's official transcript each June. The student's academic standing is determined by taking into consideration the number of credits completed, cumulative average, the number of failures, the student's academic standing in the previous academic year and in all cases, the minimum course grade requirements.

Good Academic Standing: a student is in good academic standing if he or she:

1. has satisfied all conditions of admission;
2. has maintained an average of 60% in the courses required for the major;
3. has failed no more than 6 credits of the previous 30 credit attempts;
4. has achieved a minimum cumulative average of 60% in all passed courses in the previous year or in the previous 30 consecutive credits;
5. has maintained the minimum grade requirements in all courses designated by the program of study as having a minimum grade of 60%.

Probation: a student will be placed on probation if he or she:

1. fails more than 6 credits in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits;
2. does not maintain a minimum average of 60% on passed courses required for the major or an overall average of 60% on passed courses in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits.

Must Change Program: a student will be required to change his/her academic program if he or she:

1. does not maintain a minimum average of 60% on passed courses required for the major in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits;
2. has not maintained the minimum grade requirements in all courses designated by the program of study as having a minimum grade of 60%.

Suspension (asked to withdraw from the university): A student will be required to withdraw from the University if he or she:

1. does not satisfy all the conditions of admission in one year or 30 consecutive credits;
2. fails more than 42 credits;
3. has not achieved good academic standing in 2 consecutive years or 60 consecutive credits.

A student required to withdraw from Algoma University may petition the Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and Petitions for readmission. Normally students who have been placed on academic suspension are not considered for readmission for one full calendar year. Such an appeal should have a recommendation from faculty in the academic unit, the University Registrar, or the Dean prior to consideration by the Committee.

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR 3-YEAR B.A. PROGRAMS

1. A single major consists of 36 credits in a subject area, normally 6 first year credits and 30 upper year credits.
2. A combined major consists of 30 credits in each of 2 subject areas. Combined majors must be approved by the departments concerned. A student must achieve a minimum overall average of 60% in each of the 2 subject areas.
3. A student may choose a combined major in an Arts and a Science subject.
4. A student may complete a maximum of 48 credits in a single subject area for credit toward the degree.
5. At least 48 of the 90 credits required for the B.A. degree must be Arts courses (Humanities and/or Social Sciences). In those B.A. programs which require students to take courses in the science or professional divisions, a student in a single concentration in a non-Arts subject may take up to 24 credits outside of Humanities and Social Sciences beyond those non-Arts courses required for the degree.

Graduation Requirements for the 3-year B.A.

To graduate with a Bachelor of Arts (General) degree, a student must:

1. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
2. complete 90 credits in no more than 132 credit attempts with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only those completed at Algoma University are to be included in the calculation of averages);
3. complete the requirements of the major with a minimum overall average of 60% (this weighted average must include the required courses in the major);
4. complete all courses designated by the department as having a minimum grade requirement with the specified grade after no more than two attempts in any of the designated courses.

Program Path for the 3-year B.A.First year (or first 30 credits)

Students must select 30 credits, at least 6 credits in each of Groups I and II, and 18 elective credits. Specific requirements of the major and/or first language requirements may reduce the number of electives an individual student may be able to take during the first year of study. It is recommended that students complete their Group III (Science) requirement at this time.

Second year (or next 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 2 subjects: normally 12 credits in the subject of the major and 18 elective credits. In the case of a combined major, 12 credits in each subject and 6 elective credits.

Third year (or final 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 2 subjects: normally 18 credits in the subject of the major and 12 elective credits. In the case of a combined major, 12 credits in each subject and 6 elective credits.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR 4-YEAR B.A. PROGRAMS

1. At least 78 of the 120 credits required for the B.A. four year degree must be Arts courses (Humanities and/or Social Sciences). In those B.A. programs which require students to take courses in the Science or Professional divisions, a student in a single major in a non-Arts subject may take up to 24 credits outside of Humanities and Social Sciences beyond those non-Arts courses required for the degree.
2. A single honours or major consists of 60 credits in a subject area.
3. A *combined* major consists of 42 credits in each of 2 subject areas. Combined majors must be approved by the departments concerned. A student must achieve the minimum overall average requirements in each of the two subject areas.
4. A student may choose a combined major in an Arts and a Science subject.
5. A student may complete a maximum of 78 credits in a single subject area for credit toward the degree.

Graduation requirements for the 4-year B.A.

To graduate with a Bachelor of Arts specialized degree, a student must:

1. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
2. complete 120 credits in no more than 162 credit attempts with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only courses taken at Algoma University are to be included in the calculation of averages);
3. complete all courses designated by the department as having a minimum grade requirement with the specified grade after no more than two attempts in any of the designated courses;
4. complete the requirements of the major with a minimum overall average of 60% on a minimum of 60 credits in the subject of the major.

Graduation requirements for the 4 year B.A. with Honours

1. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
2. complete 120 credits in no more than 162 credit attempts with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only courses taken at Algoma University are to be included in the calculation of averages);
3. complete all courses designated by the department as having a minimum grade requirement with the specified grade after no more than two attempts in any of the designated courses;
4. complete the requirements of the major with a minimum overall average of 70% on a minimum of 60 credits in the subject of the major (this weighted average must include all required courses in the specialization).

Program Path for the 4-year B.A.First year (or first 30 credits)

Students must select 30 credits, at least 6 credits in each of Groups I and II, and 18 elective credits. Specific requirements of the major and/or first language requirements may reduce the number of electives a student may be able to take during the first year of study. It is recommended that students complete their Group III (Science) requirement at this time.

Second year (or next 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 2 subjects: normally 18 credits in the subject of the major and 12 elective credits. In the case of a combined major, 12 credits in each subject and 6 elective credits.

Third year (or next 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 2 subjects: normally 18 credits in the subject of the major and 12 elective credits. In the case of a combined major, 12 credits in each subject and 6 elective credits.

Fourth year (or final 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 2 subjects: normally 24 credits in the subject of the major and 6 elective credits. In the case of a combined major, 12 credits in each subject and 6 elective credits.

DEGREE REGULATIONS FOR B.Sc. PROGRAMS

- At least 6 credits in the subject of the major must be included in the first year program.
- A student may choose a subject of the major upon admission to the university, but must declare his/her major by the beginning of the second year. The program must be approved by the department concerned. For compulsory courses in the major, refer to the specific department/subject section (organized alphabetically in this chapter).

ACADEMIC STANDING

Good Academic Standing: a student is in good academic standing if he or she:

- has satisfied all conditions of admission;
- has maintained an average of 60% in the courses required for the major;
- has failed no more than 6 credits of the previous 30 credit attempts;
- has achieved a minimum average of 60% in all passed courses in the previous year or in the previous 30 consecutive credits;
- has maintained the minimum grade requirements in all courses designated by the program of study as having a minimum grade of 60%.

Probation: a student will be placed on probation if he or she:

- fails more than 6 credits in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits;
- does not maintain a minimum average of 60% on all courses required for the major or overall average of 60% on passed courses in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits.

Must Change Program: a student will be required to change his/her academic program if he or she:

- does not maintain a minimum average of 60% on passed courses required for the major in an academic year or in a sequence of 30 credits;
- has not maintained the minimum grade requirements in all courses designated by the program of study as having a minimum grade of 60%.

Suspension (asked to withdraw from the university): a student will be required to withdraw from the University if he or she:

- does not satisfy all the conditions of admission in one year or 30 consecutive credits;
- fails more than 42 credits;
- has not achieved good academic standing in 2 consecutive years or 60 consecutive credits.

A student required to withdraw may petition Algoma University's Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and Petitions for readmission after one calendar year.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR 3-YEAR B.Sc. PROGRAMS

- Complete either
 - a *single* major (36 credits, normally 6 credits at the first-year level and 30 upper-year credits) in a science subject; or
 - a *combined* major (with the approval of the departments concerned), consisting of 42 credits: 24 in one subject area and 18 in another. Multidisciplinary programs will designate a selection of courses from various subject areas as components of a single major. In all cases, a program with a combined major must fulfil the general requirements for the degree with a single major;
- Complete 12 credits offered by the Divisions of Humanities and/or Social Sciences;
- Complete a minimum of 6 credits from at least 2 different Science subject areas other than the subject of major;
- A student may take a maximum of 48 credits at the first-year level.

Graduation requirements

To graduate with a Bachelor of Science (General) degree, a student must:

- satisfy all stated requirements for the degree, including all practical (laboratory) credits which are in addition to those credits listed below;
- complete 90 credits in no more than 132 credit attempts (all repeated and/or failed courses are included in the 132 credit attempts) with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only courses completed at Algoma University will be included in the calculation of this average);
- complete all courses as designated by the department as having a minimum requirement of 60% with that grade after no more than 2 attempts;
- complete the major requirements with a minimum overall average of 60% on a minimum of 36 credits in a single subject of the major, or on a minimum of 42 credits in the combined subjects of the major.

Programs Path for the 3-year B.Sc.

The Bachelor of Science (General program) is a three-year program leading to the B.Sc. (General) degree. Students must complete 90 credits, normally 30 credits per year.

First Year (or first 30 credits)

Students must select 30 credits; specific course requirements are indicated under the department or subject entries in Chapter 4.

Second Year (or next 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 3 subjects, including at least 12 credits in the subject of the major.

Third Year (or final 30 credits)

30 credits in at least 3 subjects, including at least 12 credits in the subject of the major.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR 4-YEAR B.Sc. PROGRAMS

1. Students must complete 12 credits offered by the Divisions of Humanities and/or Social Sciences.
2. A single major consists of
 - (a) a minimum of 60 to a maximum of 72 credits in a single subject, or
 - (b) a minimum of 54 credits in a single subject and 27 credits in a second subject, with at least 6 credits in the second subject at the third-year level. In the latter case, the credits obtained in the second subject will be considered as the major subject credits.
3. Complete a minimum of 6 credits from at least *two* different Science subject areas other than the subject of the major;
4. Multidisciplinary programs will designate a selection of courses from various subject areas as components of a single major.

Graduation requirements

To graduate with a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Honours), a student must:

1. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree, including all practical (laboratory) credits which are in addition to those credits listed below;
2. complete 120 credits in no more than 162 credit attempts (all repeated and/or failed courses are included in the 162 credit attempts) with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only courses taken at Algoma University will be included in the calculation of this average);
3. complete the courses designated by the department as having a minimum grade requirement with the specified grade after no more than two attempts in any of the designated courses;
4. complete the requirements of the major with a minimum overall average of 60% on a minimum of 60 credits in the subject of the major (this overall average must include all required courses in the specialization up to a maximum of 72 credits).

For Honours designation, students must complete the requirements of the major with a minimum overall average of 70% on a minimum of 60 credits in the subject of the major.

Program Path for the 4-year B.Sc.

The Bachelor of Science (Honours program) is a four-year program leading to either a B.Sc. or B.Sc. (Honours) degree. Students must complete a minimum of 120 credits.

SPECIFIC DEGREE REGULATIONS for the BACHELOR of BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**Graduation requirements for the BBA program**

To graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, a student must:

1. satisfy all the stated requirements for the degree (see the Business Administration department's section in this chapter)
2. complete 120 credits in no more than 162 credit attempts with a minimum overall average of 60% on all passed courses (only courses taken at Algoma University are to be included in the calculation of averages).
3. complete all core courses (72 credits) with a minimum grade in each core course of 60%.
A student failing to attain this minimum grade in any of the core courses must repeat such courses as soon as possible. Failure to do so will result in suspension from the program. A student is permitted to repeat a core course only once, except with the special permission of the Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and Petitions.

For an **Honours BBA**, students must complete all core courses (72 credits) with a minimum core-course average of 70% and with a minimum grade in *each* core course of 60%.

SPECIFIC DEGREE REGULATIONS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Work degree, a student must:

1. satisfy all the stated requirements for the degree (see the Social Work section)
2. complete 120 credits in no more than 162 credit attempts with a minimum overall average of 70% on all passed courses (only courses taken at Algoma University are to be included in the calculation of averages).
3. complete all core courses (72 credits) with a minimum overall average of 70%.
4. complete courses required for the degree with the specific minimum grade requirement

SECOND-DEGREE PROGRAM REGULATIONS

A student must apply for admission to a second-degree program through the Admissions Office at the Office of the Registrar. All second-degree programs must be completed and approved in consultation with the University Registrar.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SECOND DEGREES**3-year (General) programs**

To be eligible for admission to a second-degree in a 3-year Arts or Science program, applicants must:

1. hold a recognized university degree with a minimum *overall* average 60%;
2. have failed *no more than* 30 credits in that degree; and
3. have completed in the first degree *no more than* 18 credits in the proposed area of the major.

ACADEMIC STANDING IN THE SECOND DEGREE (GENERAL) PROGRAM

1. If a student fails to meet the minimum grade requirements and minimum average requirements specified in the general regulations for the degree, he or she may be permitted to continue in the program on probation for no more than one year or 30 consecutive credits. If, after one year, the student fails to meet the minimum requirement, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second-degree program.
2. If after 2 attempts in a course, the student fails to achieve the minimum grade requirements or the minimum average required for the major, the student will be required to withdraw from the second-degree program.
3. If a student fails more than 12 credits, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second degree program.

Graduation requirements for second degrees in 3-year programs

1. complete a minimum of 48 credits towards the degree, including 30 credits in the area of the major, regardless of whether or not the student has completed any courses in that subject area in the first-degree program (a student will have required subjects that were taken in the first degree waived; but students will receive credit for such completed courses only if they were not used to satisfy any of the requirements for the first degree).
2. complete at least 6 credits in each of Groups I, II, and III if he/she has not done so in his/her first degree program.
3. maintain good academic standing. A student is in good academic standing if he/she:
 - a. has maintained an average of 60% in all passed courses taken in the previous academic year or in the previous 30 consecutive credits;
 - b. has maintained an average of 60% in all courses required for the major;
 - c. has maintained the minimum grade requirements in all courses designated by the department as having a minimum grade of 60%;
 - d. has failed no more than 6 of the previous 30 credits.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SECOND DEGREES IN 4 YEAR (HONOURS) PROGRAMS

A student may be admitted to a second degree in the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) or Bachelor of Science (Honours) if he or she:

1. is the holder of a recognized university degree with a minimum *overall* average of 60%;
2. has failed *no more* than 30 credits in the first-degree program;
3. has completed no more than 24 credits in the first-degree program in the proposed area of the major. (Exceptions may be approved by the Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and Petitions.)

ACADEMIC STANDING IN THE SECOND DEGREE (HONOURS) PROGRAM

1. If a student fails to meet the minimum grade requirements and minimum average requirements specified in the general regulations for the degree, he or she may be permitted to continue in the program on probation for no more than one year or 30 consecutive credits. If, after one year, the student fails to meet the minimum requirement, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second-degree program.
2. If after 2 attempts in a course, the student fails to achieve the minimum grade requirements or the minimum average required for the major, the student will be required to withdraw from the second degree program.
3. If a student fails more than 12 credits, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second degree program.

Graduation requirements for a second degree in a 4-yr Program

1. complete a minimum of 60 credits with a minimum overall average of 60%, after no more than 2 attempts in any course;
2. complete a minimum of 48 credits in the area of the major, regardless of whether or not the student has completed any courses in that subject area in the first degree program (a student may receive credit for courses already completed if these courses were not used to satisfy any of the requirements for the first degree);
3. include all courses normally required for the major if not already completed in the first-degree program
4. maintain the minimum grade requirements in courses specified by the department and the minimum average of 70% on courses required for the major presented for the second degree;
5. a student in an Arts program must take at least 6 credits in each of Groups I, II, and III if he/she has not done so in his/her first degree.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR SECOND DEGREES IN PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

A student may apply to a second degree in one of the Professional programs if he or she:

1. is the holder of a recognized University degree with a minimum overall average of "C" or better, and a "B" or better in the courses completed in the first-degree in the proposed subject area;
2. has not failed more than 30 credits in the first degree program;
3. has not completed more than 24 credits in the first-degree program in the proposed area of the major. (Exceptions may be approved by the Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and Petitions.)

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SECOND DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK (BSW)

To be eligible for admission to a Bachelor of Social Work second-degree program applicants must:

1. hold a recognized university degree with a minimum overall average of 70%;
2. have failed no more than 30 credits in that degree; and
3. have completed in the first degree no more than 24 credits in the proposed area of the major.

Academic Standing in the second degree Professional Programs

1. If a student fails to meet the minimum grade requirements and minimum average requirements specified in the general regulations for the degree, he or she may be permitted to continue in the program on probation for no more than one year or 30 consecutive credits. If, after one year, the student fails to meet the minimum requirement, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second-degree program.
2. If after 2 attempts in a course, the student fails to achieve the minimum grade requirements or the minimum average required for the major, the student will be required to withdraw from the second-degree program.
3. If a student fails more than 12 credits, he or she will be required to withdraw from the second degree program.

Graduation requirements for second degrees in Professional Programs

1. complete a minimum of 60 credits with a minimum overall average of 70% after no more than 2 attempts in any one course;
2. complete a minimum of 48 credits in the area of the major of the second degree regardless of whether or not the student has completed any courses in the first-degree program in the area of the major of the proposed second-degree program (a student may receive credit for courses already completed and not used to satisfy any of the requirements for the first degree);
3. maintain the minimum grade requirement, and minimum average requirements specified in the general regulations for the specified degree.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

To be eligible for a certificate program, students are required to complete the requirements with a minimum overall average of 60 percent on all courses presented for the certificate.

HONOURS DIPLOMA

To be eligible for an Honours Diploma, students are required to complete the requirements with a minimum overall average of 70 percent on all courses presented for the diploma.

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS MINORS

A minor is available to all students who have declared a major in another discipline consisting of 24 credits in a discipline. In all cases, students will be expected to respect course prerequisite requirements. Minors are to be completed concurrently with the student's current degree program. A minimum grade of 60 percent is required in the introductory discipline-specific courses to declare a minor in the specific discipline.

For specific course requirements for minors, please refer to the discipline-specific sections available in this chapter.

The following regulations pertain to minors:

1. Reference to a student's 'minor' will not appear on a student's official transcript until the student has successfully met the requirements of the degree.
2. The diploma issued to a student after graduation will indicate the program of study for the degree (major) and not the minor completed by the student.
3. A student's enrolment period to graduate can be extended for the purpose of completing a minor. Therefore, it is acceptable to postpone graduation in order to complete the minor requirements.
4. Priority for course registration will not be given for courses required in the minor.
5. Applications for reading courses will not be considered to complete the requirements of a minor. Student applications for Letters of Permission to complete the minor may be considered by the University Registrar.
6. A minor cannot be completed after a degree has been conferred. A minor must be completed while a student is qualifying for a degree program.
7. A core or compulsory course applied to the requirements for the major may not be applied to the requirements for the minor. Cross-listed courses would be considered the exception if the course(s) has not been used to satisfy the program requirements.
8. Students who have completed a minor will be considered for admission to a second degree program in an honours or four-year degree program.
9. Students who are applying for a certificate program in conjunction with a degree program will not be able to apply for a 'minor' in that discipline.
10. Students interested in pursuing more than one 'minor' program must receive permission from the University Registrar. All regulations will apply.

Students should make the necessary planning to complete the requirements of a minor within a three or four year time period. Students should consult a program advisor to determine if a minor will be permitted in relation to their program of study. For more information on minors, please contact the Office of the Registrar at Algoma University.