TO: University Curriculum Committee
FROM: Associate Deans Group
RE: Change to the graduation requirements for Graduate students
DATE: January 30th, 2015


J-9-a. An academic minor is a prescribed course of study consisting of 18 or more credits which supplements an undergraduate major at the University of Idaho. For descriptions of minor curricula, see the programs of the degree-granting units in the individual departmental section. In the following paragraphs of J-9, "minor" denotes "academic minor," which is to be distinguished from "teaching minor"; for information on the latter, see the Department of Curriculum and Instruction section.

J-9-b. A student may pursue one or more minors in addition to a major by filing with the registrar a declaration of intention to do so. Completion of a minor is required only if specified by the degree-granting unit, but any minor completed is recorded on the student's academic record.

J-9-c. Transfer credits may be applied to a minor with the approval of the department offering the minor; however, the last nine credits applied to completion of the minor must be earned in UI courses, through study abroad, or through student exchange programs, and may not include credits earned through correspondence study. At least 9 credits of those completing the minor's requirements must be in UI courses. Similar to the residency requirements for a baccalaureate degree in J-2, no credits awarded for independent study, bypassed courses (see I-2-d), credit by examination (see I-1-a, I-1-c, or I-2-a), College Level Examination Program (CLEP – see I-2-b), or experiential learning (see I-2-b) can be counted among these 9 UI credits. Study abroad and student exchange credits may be counted toward this requirement with prior approval by the student's academic department and dean.

J-9-d. A student may complete an undergraduate minor even though he or she has already earned a baccalaureate degree at the University of Idaho. If the sole objective is to complete an undergraduate minor, the student should declare a "Minor-Only" curriculum in the department offering the minor. Students who declare a minor-only curriculum are not eligible for financial aid funds (see the Student Financial Aid Services section).