

Double Degree vs. Double Major

Double Degree: Two separate degrees – two diplomas. (Ex. Student gets a B.S. in Psychology and a B.A. in History).

- Must earn at least 150 credits
- Must meet all requirements for the second degree.
 - If the degree requires a minor, the student must fulfill that requirement unless the prospective department waives it. (pg. 51, 03-05 catalog)
- The second degree cannot be the same degree and from the same MSU-B College (ex. CEHS, CAS, COB) that awards the first degree. (Ex. Cannot get a double degree B.S. in Psychology and a B.S. in Sociology).

Double Major: One degree, two majors – one diploma. (Ex. Student gets a B.A. in Psychology and Sociology.)

- Must earn at least 120 credits
- “Students who plan to meet the requirements for two majors concurrently and who plan to apply the two majors to one degree must have the approval of the respective department chairpersons and deans.” (pg. 51, 03-05 catalog)

Guidelines:

If the majors are housed in:

Same College = Double major

**Exception: In the College of Arts & Sciences, a student is getting a double degree if one major is a B.A. and one is a B.S.*

Different Colleges = Double degree

See back side for specific examples