

Ateneo de Manila University
Loyola Schools
Curriculum Committee

**POLICY COVERING DOUBLE DEGREE/MAJOR
(Effective February 2019)**

1. Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Loyola Schools students, except those already enrolled in LS prescribed double degree programs, may apply for a double degree consolidating the curriculum of the first degree with that of another. b) Applications for a <u>third</u> undergraduate degree will not be accepted.
2. Minimum Number of Units for the Double/Second Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A student must successfully fulfill all the requirements of both degree programs. Courses taken in the student's first undergraduate degree may be credited towards his/her second (double) degree, provided that the student completes at least 21 additional units for the second degree.

Existing Loyola Schools regulations on admission, validation of units, retention requirements, and graduation will be applied to Double Degrees and Second Undergraduate Degrees in the following manner:

1. Approval Process

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Application is through the Office of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. b) The student seeks the approval of his/her home department chair/program director and the department chair/program director of the intended double (second) degree, following the program's shifting requirements. c) A Program of Study consolidating the curricula of the two degree programs must be reviewed and endorsed by the concerned department chairs/program directors. The semestral load should conform to that of the first degree.

2. Allowed Double Degree/Second Undergraduate Degree Combinations – A combination of two undergraduate degrees will be allowed **except** for the following:

- a) AB Humanities – AB Interdisciplinary Studies
- b) BS Management of Applied Chemistry – BS Chemistry
- c) BS Management of Applied Chemistry – BS/MS Chemistry
- d) BS Biology – BS Life Sciences
- e) AB Psychology – BS Psychology
- f) AB Management Economics – any undergraduate degree program offered by the John Gokongwei School of Management
- g) Any two undergraduate degree programs offered by the John Gokongwei School of Management
- h) Any two undergraduate degree programs offered by the Department of Information Systems and Computer Science
- i) Any two undergraduate degree programs offered by the Department of Economics
- j) Any two undergraduate degree programs offered by the Department of Political Science
- k) Other combinations as may be determined at a later time, subject to the review of the Curriculum Committee

3. Validation of Courses from the First Degree

- a) Core curriculum courses are automatically credited towards the double/second degree.
- b) Students in old programs who double degree can use the previous curriculum versions, unless the double degree is in a new (2018) program.
- c) In the case of the latter arrangement, the old core courses will be validated for the new core courses. However, students will have to take new core courses that do not have equivalents in the old core curriculum (e.g., Art Appreciation, Discerning Life Questions, Interdisciplinary Electives, etc.).

4. Program Retention Requirements

- a) Program retention requirements for students taking a double degree are to be monitored by the department/program concerned and should be taken into consideration when planning a student's program of study.

5. Loyola Schools QPI Requirements (See LS Academic Regulation No. 39)

- a) Academic regulations regarding QPI requirements for promotion and separation from the Loyola Schools, awarding of semestral honors, and graduation shall apply to students taking a double degree.
- b) The courses taken for a student's double degree are counted towards the student's QPI.
- c) The applicable Yearly QPI requirement is based on the student's year level of his/her first degree.

6. Graduation Requirements (See LS Academic Regulation No. 44)

- a) To be eligible for Graduation Distinction, students must have completed a minimum of eighty (80) percent of the total number of units required for graduation in their program in the Loyola Schools and only resident credits shall be included in the computation.
- b) Students who graduate from more than one degree program may receive Latin honors or honorable mentions only once.