Free Electives

All majors require a number of **Free Electives** as a part of the minimum number of hours required to graduate. The free electives "fill-in" the courses that ensure the student earns at least 122—128 hours to graduate.

The number of required free elective hours **varies from major to major** based on the total requirements for general education, majors, concentrations, and minors that are needed to reach the minimum hours for the specific major. Additionally, the number of free electives required may **vary from student to student within the same major** due to the way ASU allows double-counting between areas.

While each major has a different number of total free electives, there is a University requirement that each major allow for two hours of free electives that are "outside the major discipline." This means at least two hours of the free electives must come from courses that have a different "subject" code from the major. For example, an English major must have at least two hours that are from a subject other than "ENG."

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The bottom line for free electives is that your student must reach the minimum number of hours required for that major (122-128). You can also look at the first block in DegreeWorks on the student's audit for proxy advice in a light gray bar. This proxy advice automatically adjusts as students earn hours and will tell you how many more total hours are required to reach the minimum. This total will include hours for any courses still required, so if there are more hours required than there are required course hours, your student will need additional free electives. Remember to watch for repeats of previously passed courses being taken during the semester you are reviewing. These repeats will be counted twice (once for the previous taking and once as an 'in progress' course) until the grade for the second taking posts.

Registration Waitlisting

Some course sections will be offering a waitlist that students can sign up for via Appal-Net once the section is closed. The purpose of waitlisting is to allow students the ability to more easily monitor courses they need that are closed as opposed to frequently checking back on AppalNet. **Waitlisting will not be available for every course** and being on a waitlist for a section does not guarantee the student will get a seat in that course.

A tutorial on how to add oneself to a waitlist once a course is closed as well as a list of waitlisting frequently asked questions (FAQ) can be found at: http://registrar.appstate.edu/registration/waitlisting.html