

**Carnegie Mellon University**

# **Dietrich College** of Humanities and Social Sciences

**Student-Defined Major Program: Sample Proposal**

**Sample Format**

## **SAMPLE COVER PAGE**

**A Proposal for a student-defined major (to lead to a Bachelor  
of ? [Arts or Science]) in (proposed major's title)**

**OR**

**A Proposal for a Student-Defined Second Major in (proposed additional major's  
title)**

**OR**

**A Proposal for a Student-Defined Minor in (proposed minor's title)**

**Draft # ? (1, 2, etc.)**

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**Current Class:** Sophomore

**Current  
College/Major:** Dietrich College/undeclared major

**Date:** August 15, 2012

**SAMPLE CURRICULUM**

**COURSE CATEGORY TITLE**  
(e.g., "Mathematics Prerequisites")

**UNIT TOTAL: 20 units**

21-111 Calculus I  
21-112 Calculus II

10 units  
10 units

**COURSE CATEGORY TITLE**  
(e.g., "Theory")<sup>1</sup>

**UNIT TOTAL: 45 units**

*Required:*

xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units

*PLUS two of the following:*

xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units

**COURSE CATEGORY TITLE**  
(e.g., "Applications")

**UNIT TOTAL: 36 units**

*Required:*

xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units

*PLUS two of the following:*

xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units
xx-xxx	Course name	# units

**COURSE CATEGORY TITLE**  
(e.g., "Advanced Electives")

**UNIT TOTAL: 27 units**

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<sup>1</sup> Normally, course category titles should be more evocative than this of the content and function within the major of its courses. These rather more general titles are used here so that they may be referenced later in the "Sample Curriculum Chart."

*Any three of the following:*

xx-xxx Course name # units  
 xx-xxx Course name # units  
 xx-xxx Course name # units  
 xx-xxx Course name # units  
 xx-xxx Course name # units  
 xx-xxx Course name # units

**SAMPLE CURRICULUM CHART**

JUNIOR YEAR		SENIOR YEAR	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
xx-xxx Course name (Theory)	xx-xxx Course name (Theory)	xx-xxx Course name (Application)	xx-xxx Advanced Elective
xx-xxx Course name (Theory)	xx-xxx Course name (Application)	xx-xxx (Theory Course)	xx-xxx Advanced Elective
xx-xxx Course name	xx-xxx Theory Course	xx-xxx Advanced Elective	xx-xxx Application course
Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective

NOTE: 21-111/112 (Calculus I-II) taken in freshman year.

**SAMPLE UNIT SUMMARY**

Dietrich College General Education courses	112 nits
Mathematics prerequisites	20 units
Student-defined major/minor requirements	108 units
Electives	75 units
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>360 units</b>

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (month, year)