

Double Major/Dual Degree/Second Bachelor's Degree

A student may choose to have a double major and earn one degree. The following policy applies to those students who wish to earn two degrees simultaneously or sequentially to a first degree. As early as possible, a student should meet with an assigned faculty advisor to indicate on the Program of Study form the intent to pursue a second degree. The Program of Study form must specify the requirements for each degree and contain the approval of the appropriate chairs and dean(s).

Double Major

With approval of the two appropriate departments, a student who wishes to concentrate in two disciplines may pursue a program of study that leads to a B.A. or B.S. degree with a double major. If a minor is required for a major, then the minor requirement is waived for students with double majors. General education requirements and all requirements stipulated for each of the two majors must be completed. The total requirements of some programs may exceed 128 semester hours.

Dual Degree

If a student elects to earn a second degree simultaneously with a first degree (e.g., B.A. and B.S.), the student must:

1. satisfy all applicable requirements for each degree,
2. earn at least a C average in all UAH coursework,
3. complete minimum degree requirements of the combined degree program, and
4. complete majors and/or minors appropriate to the degrees (a major for one degree may count as a minor for the other degree).

Second Bachelor's Degree

If a student elects to earn a second degree at UAH after having earned a first degree at UAH or another institution (e.g., B.A. after earning a B.S.B.A.), the student must:

1. satisfy all applicable requirements for each degree,
2. earn at least an average grade of C in all UAH coursework,
3. complete a minimum of 25% of the total degree requirements at UAH for the second degree, and
4. complete majors and/or minors appropriate to the degrees (a major for one degree may count as a minor for the other degree).

A specific course required for both the first and second degree does not have to be repeated; however, only courses completed after the first degree will be applied to the minimum number of semester hours required for the second degree.

Graduation with honors recognition for the second bachelor's degree requires a minimum of 60 semester hours of coursework taken at UAH above the requirements for the first bachelor's degree. Honors will be determined by the grade-point average for the last 60 semester hours of coursework taken at UAH above the requirements for the first bachelor's degree or all coursework taken at UAH above the coursework for the first baccalaureate degree, whichever is higher. Honors calculation for the second bachelor's degree follows the same procedures as graduation honors for the first baccalaureate degree.