

Revisions to FAU's 75 Percent Residency Policy



Proposed changes (found in Baccalaureate Degree Requirements, item 5 <http://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/PREcatalog/degreerequirements.php#bacc>):

Earn at least 75 percent of all upper-division credits required for in the major department from FAU (~~effective for students who entered FAU in fall 2010 and going forward~~). Some majors departments may require more than 75 percent. Consult the degree requirements section of the major for details. (~~The previous requirement, earn at least 50 percent of all upper-division credits in the major department from FAU, is still in effect for students who entered FAU prior to fall 2010.~~)

Language with Changes Included:*

Earn at least 75 percent of all upper-division credits required for the major from FAU. Some majors may require more than 75 percent. Consult the degree requirements section of the major for details.

Rationale for Changes:

The 75 percent requirement is causing confusion. For example, Biology was interpreting "earn at least 75 percent of all upper-division credits in the major department from FAU" as meaning that students had to earn 75 percent of the major courses in the department.

The 75 percent rule's intention is not to restrict majors from earning courses in other departments if their home departments approve this. It is intended for majors to earn 75 percent of the major courses at FAU. It is a residency rule, not a restriction for departments.

Vetting and Approvals:

Advising directors were presented the language updates this past summer and are all in agreement with the changes.

* Approval of this language update includes approval for revision of the 75 percent policy in all locations where it is listed in the catalog, including in the Second Baccalaureate Degree Requirements, <http://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/PREcatalog/degreerequirements.php#secbacc>.

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