

Contract Majors Instructions for the Student

Although research has shown that most graduate programs favor the pursuit and completion of an existing major rather than creation and completion of a contract major, some students wish to pursue the latter as an option.

Seaver College will only consider approving contract majors for students whose academic goals are so specialized that they cannot be met by another existing course of study and when there is full support from all academic divisions. As a result, no student with an approved contract may pursue a double major when the second major is one that already exists in the Seaver catalog.

All students who wish to apply for a contract major must have at least 30 earned units of college credit and a minimum all-cumulative GPA of 2.5. Additionally, after approval of the contract, the student would have to complete at least 45 units at Seaver College, of which at least 30 units must be part of the contract.

If you would like to establish a contract major, please submit a written proposal to the Academic Advising Center (via email to onestop@pepperdine.edu or hard copy to OneStop) including the rationale behind your major and the list of proposed courses, keeping in mind the requirements listed above.

Once we receive your proposal, we will consult the related academic divisions and reply to you within a reasonable time period with your options.

Warm regards,

The Office of Student Information and Services

SEAVER COLLEGE: APPLICATION FOR A CONTRACT MAJOR

As an alternative to one of the majors listed in the Seaver College catalog, students with at least 30 units of college credit and a minimum GPA of 2.5 may initiate a special contract for an individualized major. The student must complete at least 45 units at Seaver College, at least 30 units of which must be part of the contract, following the signing of the contract for the individualized major.

Please Print or Type:

Student Name: Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____ ID No. _____

Campus Box No. _____ Phone No. _____ - _____ - _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Entering Catalog Year: _____ Class Level: ___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior

Contract Major Title: _____ B.A. _____ B.S. _____

Courses Required for Major:

(Example) Economic Principles ECON 200 (4)

Title	Dept/Course #	Units	Title	Dept/Course #	Units

I understand that changing my major alters my requirements for graduation. I have thoroughly reviewed the course requirements for my new major and understand what is expected of me. I will consult my assigned advisor as soon as possible to discuss my new program of study.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Initial approval from divisional deans involved in proposed contract major (signatures required):

_____	_____	___ Grant	___ Deny
__ Division Dean Signature	Date		
_____	_____	___ Grant	___ Deny
__ Division Dean Signature	Date		

The Committee Members below have read the above course requirements and agree to them (signatures required):

_____	_____	_____	_____
Committee Chair (Student Advisor)	Date	Faculty Committee Member	Date
_____	_____		
Faculty Committee Member	Date	PLEASE MAKE SIGNATURES LEGIBLE!	

DECISION _____ Approved _____ Denied _____	_____
	Signature/Title
	Date
Advisor changes input by: _____	Date: _____
Major changes input by: _____	Date: _____