Declaration of Major Policy

Students enter the College of Professional Studies as undeclared regardless of their academic standing. The intention is for students to explore different major options by taking diverse classes during their early tenure.

To ensure students are progressing towards an undergraduate degree in a timely manner, all undeclared students must officially declare a primary major no later than the registration period during the term in which they will reach 72 completed academic credits. This includes all credits i.e. Villanova, transferred from other institutions, and test credits. Once a student declares a major, they remain eligible to change their major and/or add a second. Students are encouraged to consult with their advisor regularly to develop an individualized academic plan.

A registration hold will be placed on a student’s account who does not declare a major by the required term. This hold will prevent students from all future registration activities (i.e. adding, dropping, or withdrawing) until it is cleared. To clear this registration hold, undeclared students must declare a major.

Students officially declare a major by submitting the online Change to Major/Minor Form on the CPS Policies and Forms webpage. To access this form, students will need to log in with their Villanova single sign on credentials.

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