

What is a Minor?

A minor is a set of courses focused on a specific area of study for a minimum of 21 credits. Some CSU Departments require students add a minor to their major programs. Other departments make minors optional for students.

How to Declare a Minor?

Students interested in declaring a minor should contact the department in which the minor is located. Declared Minors that are successfully completed are noted on a student's transcript but not on the diploma at the time of graduation.

Undergraduate Minors – Listed by Major Thematic Track at CSU

Land, Plant & Animal Sciences

Botany: <https://www.biology.colostate.edu/undergraduate-students-2/>
Entomology: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/agbio/degree/entomology-minor/>
Environmental Horticulture: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/environmental-horticulture-minor/>
Horticulture: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/horticulture-minor/>
Integrated Resource Management: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/student/undergraduate-programs/>
Organic Agriculture: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/organic-agriculture-interdisciplinary/>
Organic Horticulture: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/organic-horticulture-minor/>
Plant Health: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/minor-plant-health/>
Soil Resources and Conservation: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/soil-resources-and-conservation-minor/>
Soil Science: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/soil-science-minor/>

Arts, Humanities & Design

American Sign Language: <https://www.libarts.colostate.edu/students/undergraduate-majors-minors/#american-sign-language-34596>
Arabic Studies: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Arts Leadership & Administration: <https://artsmanagement.colostate.edu/minor/>
Art History: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/art-history/art-history-minor/>
Chinese: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Creative Writing: <https://english.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/56/2018/04/CreativeWritingMinorChecksheet.pdf>
English: <https://english.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/>
Film Studies: <https://communicationstudies.colostate.edu/undergraduate-program/#minors>
French: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
German: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Italian Studies: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Japanese: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Legal Studies: <https://www.libarts.colostate.edu/students/undergraduate-majors-minors/>
Linguistics and Culture: <https://english.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/>
Media Studies: <https://communicationstudies.colostate.edu/undergraduate-program/#minors>
Music: <https://music.colostate.edu/admissions/undergraduate-degrees/>
Music, Stage & Sports Production: <https://journalism.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/36/2021/07/MSSP-Minor-FA21.pdf>
Religious Studies: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/religious-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/>
Sustainability in Peace and Reconciliation: <https://sustainability.colostate.edu/education-and-training/>
Russian Studies: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Spanish: <https://languages.colostate.edu/minors/>
Women's Studies: <https://womensstudies.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/>

Environmental & Natural Resources

Conservation Biology: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/fwcb/undergraduate-study/undergraduate-program-advising/>
Diversity & Inclusion in NR: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/diversity-and-inclusion-in-natural-resources-minor/>
Ecological Restoration: https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2017/10/Ecological_Restoration_Minor_FINAL.pdf
Enviro & Natural Resource Economics: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/environmental-natural-resource-economics-minor/>
Fishery Biology: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/fwcb/undergraduate-study/undergraduate-program-advising/>
Forestry: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/frs/undergraduate-program/majors-minors/frs-minors/>
Geology: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2016/10/Geology-Minor-FA15-FINAL.pdf>
Geospatial Information Science: warnercnr.colostate.edu/geospatial-information-science-for-natural-resources-minor/
Global Environmental Sustainability: <https://sustainability.colostate.edu/education-and-training/minor-in-global-environmental-sustainability/>
Range Ecology: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/frs/undergraduate-program/majors-minors/frs-minors/>
Sustainable Energy: <https://energy.colostate.edu/academics/interdisciplinary-minor-in-sustainable-energy/>
Sustainable Water (SWIM): <https://watercenter.colostate.edu/swim/>
Watershed Science: <https://warnercnr.colostate.edu/ess/ess-undergraduate-degree-tracks/ess-undergraduate-program-curriculum-course-offerings/>

Global & Social Sciences

Aerospace Studies: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/division-armed-forces-services/aerospace-studies/aerospace-studies-minor/>
Anthropology: <https://anthgr.colostate.edu/undergraduate-programs/anthropology-undergraduate-programs/>
Criminology and Criminal Justice: <https://sociology.colostate.edu/undergraduate/academics-and-advising/>
Environmental Affairs: <https://environmental.colostate.edu/>
Environmental Studies in the Liberal Arts: <https://polisci.colostate.edu/undergraduate-programs/>
Ethnic Studies: <https://ethnicstudies.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/55/2018/12/ETSTMinorchksheet12-10-18.pdf>
Geography: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/anthropology-geography/geography-minor/#requirements-text>
Gerontology: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/hdfs/programs-and-degrees/gerontology-interdisciplinary-minor/>
Global Studies: inst.colostate.edu/programs-of-study/global-studies-minor/
History: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/history/history-minor/>
Indigenous Studies: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/ethnic-studies/indigenous-studies-minor/index.html#requirements-text>
International Development: <https://international.colostate.edu/global-engagement/international-development-studies/>
Latin American/Caribbean Studies: <https://polisci.colostate.edu/minors/>
Leadership Studies: <https://lsc.colostate.edu/slice/slice-leadership/leadership-minor/>
Military Science: armyrotc.colostate.edu
Philosophy: <https://philosophy.colostate.edu/undergraduate-program/>
Political Communication: <https://polisci.colostate.edu/minors/>
Political Science: <https://polisci.colostate.edu/minors/>
Sociology: <https://sociology.colostate.edu/undergraduate/>

Organization, Management & Enterprise

Agricultural Business: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/agricultural-business-on-campus-or-online/>
Business Administration: <https://biz.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/business-minor>
Construction Management: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/cm/programs-and-degrees/minor-in-construction-management/>
Design Thinking: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/rdc/learn/certificate-in-design-thinking/>
Economics: <https://www.libarts.colostate.edu/economics/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2014/05/minor-checksheet.pdf>
Entrepreneurship & Innovation: <https://biz.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/entrepreneurship-minor>
Information Science & Tech: http://istec.colostate.edu/pdf/ISP_IST/IST-Minor-2018-05-28.pdf
Merchandising: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/dm/programs-and-degrees/minor-in-merchandising/>
Music Business: webpage TBD as of Spring 2023
Real Estate: <https://biz.colostate.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/real-estate-minor>
Sports Management: <https://www.libarts.colostate.edu/sport-management-institute/#minor>
Technical and Science Communication: <https://journalism.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/36/2018/10/Technical-and-Science-Communication-Minor-Check-Sheet-FA18.pdf>

Health, Life & Food Sciences

Agricultural Literacy: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/agricultural-literacy/>
Bioinformatics: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/natural-sciences/computer-science/bioinformatics-minor/>
Biomedical Sciences: <https://vetmedbiosci.colostate.edu/degree-programs/undergraduate/minor-biomedical-sciences/>
Environmental Health: <https://vetmedbiosci.colostate.edu/degree-programs/undergraduate/minor-environmental-health/>
Food Industry Management: <https://agsci.colostate.edu/degree/food-industry-management-interdisciplinary/>
Food Science/Safety: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/fshn/programs-and-degrees/food-science-safety-interdisciplinary-minor/>
Health & Exercise Science: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/hes/programs-and-degrees/minor-in-health-and-exercise-science/>
Human Development & Family Studies: webpage TBD as of Spring 2023
Microbiology: <https://vetmedbiosci.colostate.edu/degree-programs/undergraduate/minor-microbiology/>
Molecular Biology: https://www.bmb.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2018/07/molecular-biology-interdisciplinary-minor-6_10_15.pdf
Nutrition: <https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/fshn/programs-and-degrees/minor-in-nutrition/>
Zoology: <https://www.biology.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/21/2019/10/zoologyminor.pdf>

Physical Sciences & Engineering

Applied Data Science: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/natural-sciences/data-science-minor/>
Biochemistry: https://www.bmb.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2018/07/minor_requirements-fa10.pdf
Biomedical Engineering: <https://www.engr.colostate.edu/sbme/undergraduate-programs/bme-minor/>
Chemistry: <https://www.chem.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/19/2020/08/cheq-m1-fa2020.pdf>
Computer Engineering: <https://www.engr.colostate.edu/ece/undergraduates/computer-engineering-minor/>
Computer Science: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/natural-sciences/computer-science/computer-science-minor/>
Data Science: <https://datascience.colostate.edu/>
Environmental Engineering: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/engineering/civil-environmental/environmental-engineering-minor/>
Geographic Info Science & Geographic Analysis: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/anthropology-geography/geographic-information-science-geographic-analysis/>
Machine Learning: <https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/natural-sciences/computer-science/machine-learning-minor/>
Mathematics: <https://mathematics.colostate.edu/undergraduate-students/minors-in-mathematics-and-mathematical-biology/>
Mathematical Biology: <https://mathematics.colostate.edu/undergraduate-students/minors-in-mathematics-and-mathematical-biology/>
Physics: <https://www.physics.colostate.edu/undergraduate-students/degree-requirements/>
Statistics: <https://statistics.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2019/07/statistics-minor-checksheet-2.pdf>



PROGRAMS A-Z

Unsure about which department to contact for a given minor?

Access CSU's list of all Academic Programs and Departments:

<https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/programsaz/>

Then use the CSU Directory to locate the department's contact info:

<https://www.colostate.edu/?resource=modal>

Note: The list of minor programs highlighted in this document was prepared in Spring 2023. For up-to-date information and links, see the tips and links in the Programs A-Z box above.