

**Committee on Educational Policy**  
**Policy on Double Counting Disciplinary Communication**

The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) discussed how to deal with situations where a course has been approved by the Committee on Courses of Instruction (CCI) as the Disciplinary Communication (DC) course for two different majors, and a student is double-majoring in these. The general principle for major requirements applies here: as long as a student fulfills the requirements of both majors and complies with SCR 10.4.7 (forty distinct credits per major), there is no reason why one course cannot serve two purposes. While it is true that the DC requirement is also a Senate requirement, SCR 10.2.3.1.b only requires a student to have “instruction and substantial practice in modes of communication appropriate to their major.” It is quite possible for two related majors to have very similar modes of communication (as evidenced by CCI approving the same DC course for both), in which case a single course can teach how to communicate in both of them. Students in such a situation should be permitted to use the same course towards both DC requirements as a matter of policy; individual petitions are not needed.

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