OVERVIEW: After earning an undergraduate degree, students can do further undergraduate work to earn a second baccalaureate degree or a Certificate of Completion of a Second Major.

OFFICE/DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Office of Undergraduate Admissions; Academic Advisement; Office of Registration & Records.

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SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES AFTER THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE
Students who have already earned an undergraduate degree and do not wish to enroll in formal graduate study, have the option of further study at the undergraduate level by working toward a second baccalaureate degree or a second undergraduate major.

The Second Baccalaureate Degree
For a second baccalaureate degree, Students must: (1) complete a minimum of 30 credits at Brockport after matriculation; (2) meet all applicable SUNY and local general education requirements; (3) fulfill all prerequisite, co-requisite and major requirements for the second degree; and (4) meet certain College-wide degree requirements depending upon the nature of the previous undergraduate degree. Previous course work (either at Brockport or elsewhere) may be used to fulfill General Education and College-wide requirements, and may meet requirements for the new major upon departmental approval.

The second baccalaureate degree is a good possibility for many students. For example, a student with a degree in nursing, might choose to pursue a BA in Spanish. (An accomplished bilingual nurse would find numerous professional opportunities throughout the world.) There are many other combinations of liberal arts/professional degrees that would be possible.

Procedures for a Second Baccalaureate Degree
The prospective student’s first step is to apply through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, including with the application an official copy of all transcripts that verify the already earned degree.

Once accepted, the student will be invited to a Summer Orientation, Advisement, and Registration (SOAR) Program where, after receiving comprehensive academic advisement from faculty members in the student’s field(s) of interest, registration for first semester classes will be completed. At that time, the student will receive a degree audit report outlining the degree requirements for the second baccalaureate degree. Visit www.brockport.edu/~acadvice for more information about transfer credits and registration opportunities for new or readmitted students.
Second Degree Status
While pursuing the second degree, the student will be considered a matriculated undergraduate student and charged undergraduate tuition.

The Second Undergraduate Major Program
Students who hold a baccalaureate degree and who choose to pursue an additional undergraduate major (rather than a second degree), can work toward a Certificate of Completion of a Second Major.