

**Concentration (formerly called “track”):** A structured, specialized plan of study within a major. The number of credit hours for a concentration **will vary but will not exceed 24 credits**, and is included within the credit hours for the major. **Some majors may require students to choose a concentration in order to complete the major. The concentration appears on the academic transcript once the degree is awarded.**

**Degree:** A credential that the University awards to a student who has satisfactorily completed a degree program. Degree requirements are established by the University and are approved by the University and the Ohio Board of Regents. John Carroll University awards degrees at the Bachelor’s [undergraduate], Master’s [graduate], and post-Master’s Specialist levels. **The degree awarded appears on the academic transcript.**

**Degree Program:** An approved, academic program of study that leads to a degree which John Carroll University is authorized to offer. Degree requirements are typically stated in terms of numbers of credit hours and specific courses at university, college/school, and discipline levels, as referenced in the official bulletins of the University.

**Degree Type:** Each degree level has multiple degree types. At John Carroll University, the

bachelor’s degree includes:

1. **The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree provides a deep exploration of traditional liberal arts disciplines and is comprised of courses in the Integrative Core curriculum, the major field of study, and/or the minor field of study.**
2. **The Bachelor of Arts in Classics (B.A.Cl.) degree, similar to the B.A., includes a deep exploration of classical liberal arts disciplines with additional coursework in the study of Latin.**
3. **The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree provides a larger focus on quantitative work, and may include pre-professional preparation. The degree is comprised of courses in the Integrative Core curriculum, the major field of study, and/or the minor field of study.**

4. The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) degree, in addition to coursework in the Integrative Core curriculum, focuses on foundational Business Administration courses, as well as specialized coursework in the major field of study, and/or the minor field of study.
5. The Bachelor of Science in Economics (B.S.E.) degree, in addition to coursework in the Integrative Core curriculum, focuses on foundational Business courses, as well as specialized coursework in the field of Economics.

The master's degree includes the Master of Arts (M.A.), the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.), the Master of Education (M.Ed.), and the Master of Science (M.S.). In addition, the University offers the post-Master's level Education Specialist degree (Ed.S.). Each degree type is rooted in the history of a given discipline and/or market expectations.

**Major:** The student's primary field of undergraduate study. The major course of study may be discipline-specific or interdisciplinary. **The major requires completion of a minimum of 33 credit hours. The major appears on the academic transcript once the degree is awarded.**

**Commented [1]:** Some programs are currently at 30 credits - change this to 30 credits, or increase these programs to 33?

**Minor:** An optional, secondary field of study at the undergraduate level. A minor is a structured plan of study requiring completion of a minimum of 18 credit hours and normally no more than 29 credit hours. No student may declare a major and a minor in the same discipline or field. **The minor appears on the academic transcript once the degree is awarded.**

**Undergraduate Certificate Program:** A structured set of courses in an applied area of focus normally requiring completion of 12 to 18 credit hours. The certificate is awarded to **undergraduate** students demonstrating mastery of skills and knowledge in a specific area or discipline.