



**Directions to the student:**

- Use this form to change your graduate major, degree objective, or for double graduate major. Before making changes, consult an adviser in your new major. Complete this form and secure the required approvals below.
  - If you wish to change your degree objective within the same major (e.g., M.A. to Ph.D. in English) select the option **CHANGE OF DEGREE OBJECTIVE**.
  - If you wish to change your major, you should select the option **CHANGE OF GRADUATE MAJOR**.
  - Graduate students may not change their major during their first quarter of enrollment as a graduate student at UC Davis. Once you have completed your first quarter, you may request a **CHANGE OF GRADUATE MAJOR**.
  - If you wish to pursue two degree programs simultaneously, whether they are both graduate academic programs, or if one is a professional degree program, you should select the **DOUBLE GRADUATE MAJOR** option. Students approved for a double graduate major must complete all degree requirements, including a separate thesis, dissertation or examination, for each degree program.
  - Before you petition, seek the advice of the Office Graduate Studies Student Affairs Officer for your program and the Graduate Adviser for both programs involved. For a complete listing of Office of Graduate Studies staff, go to the Staff Directory on the Graduate Studies Web site at <http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/about/directory.html>.
  - If you have broken registration or are on Filing Fee status, and wish to **change your graduate degree objective, change your graduate major or apply for a double major**, you must first submit an **Application for Admission** to the new program using the on-line application for admission. A link to the application is located on the Office of Graduate Studies Web site at <http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu>. All Graduate Program and Office of Graduate Studies admission deadlines apply. Once admitted, the **Double Major petition** will also be required.
  - If you are a professional student and wish to apply for a **double major** with an academic program or wish to change to an academic program, you must file an application for admission to Graduate Studies; All Graduate Program and Office of Graduate Studies admission deadlines apply. If you are a graduate student and wish to apply for a **double major** with a professional degree program, you must contact the admission office in the professional school regarding the admission process. The **Double Major petition** is required in addition to the **Admission Application**.
  - **It is the student's responsibility to provide supporting documents to the new program. An application for admission may be required in addition to the Change of Major/Double Major petition.**
1. Obtain the endorsement signature of the official Graduate Adviser for your present program. In the case of a **CHANGE OF DEGREE OBJECTIVE**, this is the only signature required.
  2. If you are requesting a **CHANGE OF GRADUATE MAJOR OR DOUBLE GRADUATE MAJOR** provide the new program with needed documents, obtain the necessary signature of the Graduate Adviser with admissions authority and return the form to the Office of the University Registrar.
  3. **International students changing degree objective or major must contact Services for International Students and Scholars, before beginning this process, regarding visa requirements.**



University of California, Davis  
Office of the University Registrar

**Petition For Change Of Graduate  
Major, Degree Objective, Or  
For Double Graduate Major**

One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616-8692 / Information: (530) 752-3639 / Fax: (530) 752-6906

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**Personal Information**

Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street or P.O. Box City State and Zip Code Phone

Type of Visa needed/expected \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to complete your present degree objective?  Yes  No

If **Yes**, check the Double Major box, below:

**Check applicable box(es):**  CHANGE OF DEGREE OBJECTIVE  CHANGE OF MAJOR  DOUBLE MAJOR

**Check one:**  First Quarter Graduate Student  Continuing Graduate Student

Present Program \_\_\_\_\_  
Degree Objective (MA, MS, Ph.D., etc.) Major Code (See attached Major chart) Major Description

New Program \_\_\_\_\_  
Degree Objective (MA, MS, Ph.D., etc.) Major Code (See attached Major chart) Major Description

I certify that I am the above named person and the information I have submitted is true.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FACULTY ENDORSEMENTS: If you are unsure of who should sign this petition, ask the Graduate Program Coordinator.**

**Approved:** (Please note that by signing this form you are acting on behalf of your department/graduate group.)

Is admission to the new degree objective contingent upon completion of the present degree objective?  YES  NO

\_\_\_\_\_  
Present Program Graduate Adviser (Please sign and PRINT name) Date  Approved  Denied

\_\_\_\_\_  
Present Program Staff Coordinator (Please sign and PRINT name) Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
New Program Graduate Adviser (Must have admissions authority) (Please sign and PRINT name) Date  Approved  Denied

\_\_\_\_\_  
New Program Staff Coordinator (Please sign and PRINT name) Date

**Office of Graduate Studies**

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Office of Graduate Studies Signature (Please sign and PRINT name) Date

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Ag. & Environmental Chemistry	.MS PHD	GACH	Genetics	.MS PHD	GGEN
Ag. & Resource Economics	.MS PHD	GARE	Geography	.MA PHD	GGEO
Animal Behavior	.PHD	GANB	Geology	.MS PHD	GGEL
Animal Biology (Animal Science)	.MS PHD	GABG	German	.MA PHD	GGER
Anthropology	.MA PHD	GANT	Health Informatics	.MS	GMHI
Applied Mathematics	.MS PHD	GAPM	History	.MA PHD	GHIS
Art	.MFA	GART	Horticulture & Agronomy	.MS PHD	GHAG
Art History	.MA	GAHI	Human Development	.PHD	GHDE
Atmospheric Science	.MS PHD	GATM	Hydrological Sciences	.MS PHD	GHYS
Avian Science	.MS	GAVS	Immunology	.MS PHD	GIMM
Biochemistry, Molecular, Cellular, & Developmental Biology	.MS PHD	GBCB	International Agricultural Dev.	.MS	GIAD
Biological Systems Engineering	.MEN MS PHD	GBSE	International Commercial Law	.LLM	GICL
Biomedical Engineering	.MS PHD	GBIM	Jt. Program Ecology/SDSU PhD	.PHD	GESD
Biophysics	.PHD	GBPH	Linguistics	.MA PHD	GLIN
Biostatistics	.MS PHD	GBST	Materials Science & Engineering	.MS DENGR PHD	GEMS
Chemical Engineering	.MS PHD	GECH	Maternal & Child Nutrition	.MAS	GMCN
Chemistry	.MS PHD	GCHE	Mathematics	.MAT MA	GMAT
Child Development	.MS	GCHD	Mechanical & Aeronautical Eng.	.CT MENGR MS DENGR PHD	GEMA
Civil & Environmental Engineering	.CT MEN MS DENGR PHD	GECE	Microbiology	.MS PHD	GMIC
Clinical Research	.MAS	GCLE	Molecular, Cell & Integrative	.PHD	GMCP
Communication	.MA PHD	GCMN	Music	.MA PHD	GMUS
Community Development	.MS	GCMD	Native American Studies	.MA PHD	GNAS
Comparative Literature	.PHD	GCOM	Neuroscience	.MS PHD	GNES
Comparative Pathology	.MS PHD	GCOP	Nursing Science & Health-Care Leadership	.MS	GNRS
Computer Science	.MS PHD	GCSI	Nursing Science & Health-Care Leadership	.PHD	GNSL
Cultural Studies	.MA PHD	GCLT	Nutritional Biology	.MS PHD	GNUB
Design	.MFA	GDES	Performance Studies	.MA PHD	GPFS
Dramatic Art	.MFA	GDRA	Pharmacology & Toxicology	.MS PHD	GPTX
Ecology	.MS PHD	GECL	Philosophy	.PHD	GPHI
Economics	.MA PHD	GECN	Physics	.MS PHD	GPHY
Education (CRED)	.CRED	GEDC	Plant Biology	.MS PHD	GPBI
Education (MA/CRED)	.MA	GEMC	Plant Pathology	.MS PHD	GPLP
Education (MA General Track)	.MA	GEDA	Political Science	.PHD	GPOL
Education (MA Practicing Teacher)	.MA	GEDT	Population Biology	.MA PHD	GPOP
Education (PHD)	.PHD	GEDP	Psychology	.PHD	GPSC
Education (CANDEL)	.EDD	GDEL	Sociology	.PHD	GSOC
Electrical & Computer Engineering	.MS PHD	GEEC	Soils & Biogeochemistry (formerly Soil Science)	.MS PHD	GSBG
Engineering—Applied Science	.MS PHD	GEAC	Spanish	.MA PHD	GSPA
English	.MA PHD	GENL	Statistics	.MS PHD	GSTA
Entomology	.MS PHD	GENT	Textiles	.MS	GTEX
Epidemiology	.MS PHD	GEPD	Transportation & Technology Policy	.MS PHD	GTPP
Exercise Science	.MS	GEXS	Viticulture & Enology	.MS	GVEN
Food Science	.MS PHD	GFSC			
Forensic Sciences	.MS	GFOR			
French	.MA PHD	GFRE			

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