

# Double Degree Option

## Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Music

At St. Olaf College, students may earn two degrees, the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Music. To qualify for both degrees, students must complete the following:

- Students pursuing the double degree option may choose any of the five Bachelor of Music graduation majors (Composition, Church Music, Elective Studies with Another Discipline, Music Education, or Performance) plus any of the Bachelor of Arts graduation majors except Music
- Students must meet the application requirements for both the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Music degree programs
- Students apply for the BM degree in the normal fashion (entrance requirements can be found at <http://wp.stolaf.edu/music/music-major-entrance-and-continuance-information/>)
- Students shall meet the requirements for both the BA graduation major and the BM graduation major, as well as the General Education and general graduation requirements for both degrees
- The final two years of coursework in pursuit of the degrees must be spent in residence, including St. Olaf approved off-campus study programs
- 17 of the last 20 full course credits must be earned through St. Olaf

Important additional information for double degree students:

- Students required to continue study in a fifth year to complete both degrees are eligible for continuing financial aid from St. Olaf College during the fifth year
- The duration of the double degree option may vary among disciplines but will be less than the sum of the durations of both degree programs if undertaken separately
- For most students, pursuit of the double degree option requires five years of study and typically requires approximately 45 credits in order to complete all requirements for both degrees, although this number varies according to the specifics of each particular student's courses
- It should be noted that it may not be possible to complete some of the BA majors within five years
- It is vital that double degree students work closely with their academic advisor to ensure timely progress with both degree plans
- Students should contact the department of their BA Major to confirm the degree requirements for that degree
- Students who graduate with both degrees receive two diplomas
- Double degree students may elect to graduate in two different semesters, one with each degree, but must meet all degree requirements before receiving each diploma
- Double degree students participate in only one graduation ceremony

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