

## Adding Options, Concentrations, Special Emphases and Minors

### Campus Authority

Presidents have the authority to approve the implementation of minors. See [Executive Order 602](#).

Presidents are delegated the authority to approve only those options, concentrations, and special emphases that meet the following requirements:

- The option, concentration, or emphasis falls within the disciplinary categories specified in [Executive Order 602](#)
- Faculty, physical facilities, and library holdings are sufficient to establish and maintain the proposed curriculum, or such support can realistically be expected to become available.

Proposed options, concentrations, and emphases outside the disciplines stated in [Executive Order 602](#) are to be submitted to Academic Program Planning ([app@calstate.edu](mailto:app@calstate.edu)) for review and approval.

### Implementation Procedures

Before any option, concentration, or emphasis can be implemented, the campus shall submit to Academic Program Planning ([app@calstate.edu](mailto:app@calstate.edu)):

- A copy of the campus approval documents
- The exact title of the option, concentration, or emphasis
- A list of the curricular requirements
- If the subprogram qualifies for a new degree program code (see criteria below), the campus is encouraged to suggest a degree program code (formerly “HEGIS” code). The CSU list of [Degree Program Codes](#) is available at: [http://www.calstate.edu/app/documents/HEGIS-CIP2000\\_102406.xls](http://www.calstate.edu/app/documents/HEGIS-CIP2000_102406.xls)

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San Bernardino  
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San Luis Obispo  
San Marcos  
Sonoma  
Stanislaus

## Assigning Degree Codes and Addition to the Application Booklet Majors Table

The degree program code used for the major program will be assigned to the new subprogram (the associated option, concentration, or emphasis) unless the campus requests a separate code and:

- students will be required to apply separately to the option or concentration (not to the major); *or*
- if the campus provides Academic Program Planning ([app@calstate.edu](mailto:app@calstate.edu)) evidence that the curricular requirements for the new concentration are comparable to the curricular requirements for an existing major (or concentration on the majors table) at another CSU campus.

The campus must request adding the new concentration, option, or emphasis to the CSU application booklet majors table.

## Definitions

The CSU does not have systemwide definitions for subprograms, including options, concentrations, emphases, and special emphases.

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