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MINOR PROGRAMS

First degree students of BITS Pilani are eligible to opt for a minor in addition to the (major) degree program(s) they are enrolled in.

A *minor* would allow a student to obtain a concentration in an area other than his/her major discipline(s) by using the open elective slots.

- Qualification:
 - Each minor may come with an <u>exclusion clause</u> (i.e. students in some disciplines are not allowed to access this minor).
 - The Department(s) offering a minor may impose additional restrictions on the input (e.g. a minimum CGPA and/or minimum grades in certain courses before admission to the minor).

Requirements:

- A student will be required to complete at least 5 courses (15 units minimum) for a minor but <u>a specific minor may</u> require more courses / units.
- Courses for a minor will include (i) <u>core (i.e. mandatory)</u> <u>courses</u> and (ii) <u>elective courses (i.e. to be chosen from a</u> <u>pool).</u>
- A student must obtain a minimum CGPA of 4.5 in the courses applicable for the minor.

Availability of Courses:

- The Department offering a minor will ensure that <u>core</u> courses and <u>several electives</u> for a minor are <u>offered every</u> year
- Beyond this the responsibility of completion of coursework lies with the student.

• Overlap:

- At most 2 courses of the minor requirement may be met from the General Institutional Requirement (excluding Humanities Electives) and the Discipline Core(s) of the major degree program(s) of the student. [These are courses named explicitly in the program chart of the student.]
- No course may be used for two minors nor for two majors and a minor.

• Process of Admission (for academic year 2020-21):

- A student must <u>declare his/her option</u> to pursue a minor program <u>before the end of the second year</u> of his/her enrolment.
 - Coursework completed before admission into the minor program would be applicable towards the minor requirements.





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- Students interested in a minor program should file an application form (available in admissions 0 office) with the Admissions Office in their campus before 4th April 2020.
- Admissions Office will announce those who are admitted. A student may be admitted only in one 0 minor program.
- Those who are admitted must pay the appropriate fees before 5th May 2020. 0
- Fees (for the campuses in India): Students Admitted through BITSAT
 - Each student admitted to a minor for AY 2020-21 must pay a fee of Rs. 22000 in addition to fees for the semesters / summer terms enrolled in.
 - The fee is payable in two installments Rs. 11000 at the time of admission and Rs. 11000 on 0 completion of requirements.

Students Admitted through ISA

- Each International student admitted to minor for AY 2020-21 have to pay the minor fee in two installments in addition to fees for the semesters / summer terms enrolled in.
- The first instalment of the fee is payable at the start of the minor program and it will be 3% of semester tuition fee in the corresponding academic year. The second instalment will be paid at the completion of minor program and it will be 3% of tuition fee in semester when he/she complete minor program.
- The first installment for AY 2020-21 will be Rs.15000 which is 3% of tuition fee for AY 2020-21.
- 0 • Admission fees will be revised in subsequent years as per Institute norms.
- **Completion:**
 - On completion of the requirements and payment of fees, a student will be issued a certificate stating the name of the minor program.
 - A student will not be able to obtain a minor certificate if he/she has not completed the requirements 0 of at least one (major) degree program.

In Your Campus:

Minor program(s) available for AY 2020-21 in **Goa campus** is/are:

Physics	Physics	M.Sc. Physics
Finance	Economics	M.Sc. Economics
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