

Revision of the Choice of Catalog Policy

Effective Term:

Fall 2010 for all currently enrolled undergraduates, regardless of their Catalog year.

Approved Change to the Choice of Catalog Policy – changes in bold print to the 2010-2011 General Catalog:

*Students maintaining continuous enrollment follow the requirements outlined by the Catalog in effect when they first enroll in the University of Arizona or in a public Arizona community college or university (i.e., **term of admission**). **The Catalog of the term of admission prescribes, at the minimum, the General Education curriculum and the set of academic policies that govern progress toward completion of a degree. The Catalog of the term of admission also describes the program requirements of the student's major(s) and minor(s), unless the student selects a subsequent Catalog in order to declare a newly established major or minor that was unavailable during the term of admission. In this situation, the Catalog of the admission term holds for the degree components indicated above, but a more recent Catalog is designated for (a) the major requirements and policies, or (b) the minor requirements and policies. Thus, a student's primary Catalog may be supplemented by one or more newer Catalogs that pertain solely to a major and/or a minor.***

***Alternatively**, a student may choose to follow **all of the program and policy requirements** outlined by any single Catalog in effect during subsequent terms of continuous enrollment. Each student is responsible for knowing and abiding by the policies described in the Catalog chosen. See [All UA Academic Catalogs](#).*

Students admitted or readmitted to a public Arizona community college or university during a summer term follow the requirements of the Catalog in effect the following Fall semester. Students transferring among Arizona public higher education institutions must meet the admission requirements, residency requirements, and all curricular and academic requirements of the degree-granting institution.

Rationale for the Change:

- This policy revision gives students more flexibility in selecting majors and minors that might not exist in the Catalog under which they enter the University system. Previously, if students choose a recently established major or minor, the students had to change their Catalog year for all degree components to coincide with the year when that major or minor was available.
- Mosaic/PeopleSoft enables a college advisor to change the Catalog year for the student's major or minor, while retaining the Catalog of the admission term for other degree components.
- In the event that the General Education curriculum changes, this policy revision reduces barriers to students who are reluctant to change their Catalog to declare a new major, simply because they've completed the General Education requirements of an earlier Catalog. Students will be free to pursue their academic goals, regardless of their initial Catalog.

Approvals:

Undergraduate Council:	4/13/10
Graduate Council:	N/A
Academic Deans:	5/5/10
Administrative Review:	5/10/10
Faculty Senate:	9/13/10