

**Time Limit on Completion of Requirements
for the Major
Policy adopted by the Senate, December 10, 1985**

As authorized by Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Section 40401, departments may require that specific baccalaureate degree requirements be met within as few as seven years of the date of the degree. Such requirements will consist of advanced courses and examinations in areas of knowledge changing so rapidly that information may be obsolete after seven years. Proposals to identify degree requirements subject to the seven-year restriction must be approved in accordance with curricular approval processes at the department, college, and university levels. Departments who wish to specify ways a student can verify recency of specific baccalaureate degree requirements may do so by use of a course change form or program change form. Justification for the change must be included on the form. Such requirements will be clearly identified in the General Catalog, and departments will be responsible for keeping Curriculum Services informed of appropriate ways for students to certify recency of subject matter. In instances in which a student is required to repeat a course taken more than seven years previously, only the last grade will be used in computation of grade point average. Students may repeat courses only if they earned grades lower than a C (CSU Executive Order No. 1037).