

**Bard College Office of the Registrar
Joint Senior Project Proposal**

*Use this form to request permission to write a senior project as a joint major.
Completed form should be submitted to David Shein, Dean of Studies.*

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Current Level: _____ **Total credits earned:** _____

Primary program: _____ **Adviser:** _____
(please print name)

Adviser signature: _____

Adviser comments (**required**):

Secondary program: _____ **Adviser:** _____
(please print name)

Adviser signature: _____

Adviser comments (**required**):

Rationale for Proposal: describe your senior project; explain how it fully satisfies the requirements and goals of both of your programs (please attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary).

Dean of Studies Approval _____

Date: _____

Executive Committee Approval _____

Date: _____

PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

- **Single major** - Students moderate in one program, complete the course requirements, and complete one Senior Project.
- **Single major with a concentration** - Students moderate in both a program and a concentration, complete the course requirements for both, and complete one Senior Project that combines the interdisciplinary theories and methods of both the program and the concentration.
- **Double major** - Students moderate in two separate programs, complete the course requirements for both programs, and complete two Senior Projects.
- **Joint major** - A joint major allows students to achieve depth in two related fields of study without requiring two separate Senior Projects (as with a double major). Students pursuing a joint major complete the course requirements for two programs of study and produce one unified, integrated Senior Project involving ideas from both disciplines. Students moderate into two programs, ideally in a joint moderation, with members from each program on the moderation board and on the Senior Project board. This option **requires a grade point average of 3.0 or higher and approval by the Executive Committee.**
- **Multidisciplinary Studies major** - The Multidisciplinary Studies Program allows a student to select an area of study or develop an individual approach to an area and then design a program that integrates material from different programs and divisions in order to pursue that study. In order to major in the Multidisciplinary Studies Program, a student must submit a proposal to the Executive Committee requesting approval for such a program. The ideal time for the proposal is in the second semester of the sophomore year, as a substitute for moderation into an existing program during that semester. For a proposal to be approved, the student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, the proposed list of courses must include in-depth study in two or more disciplines, and the proposed adviser and moderation board members must have the expertise to supervise the proposed plan of study.
- **Combined & Dual-degree programs** -
 - **The Bard College Conservatory of Music** offers a bachelor's degree in music and a B.A. degree in a field in the liberal arts or sciences other than music (two different bachelor's degrees completed in 5 years).
 - **The Bard Program in Economics and Finance** offers a B.S. degree in economics and finance and a B.A. in a field in the liberal arts or sciences other than economics (two different bachelor's degrees completed in 5 years).
 - **The Bard Center for Environmental Policy 3+2 program** offers qualified Bard students the option to earn, in an accelerated period of time, a B.A. from Bard and either an M.S. in environmental policy or an M.S. in climate science and policy from Bard CEP.
 - **The Bard Master of Arts in Teaching 3+2 program** offers Bard undergraduates a path to a M.A. in teaching and NY state grades 7-12 teacher certification in biology, history, literature or mathematics within 5 years of their entering college.
 - **Engineering** - Bard has several combined engineering programs with both Dartmouth College and Columbia University.