

UW-Madison Academic Structure Summary

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LEVEL 1 CAREER

Definition: UGRD, GRAD, LAW, MED, VMED, PHARM, SPEC, (Nonstandard)
Oversight: Provost/Chancellor/HLC
Source: ACAD_CAR_TBL

LEVEL 2 School/College/(Academic Division)

Definition: FP&P Ch.3.01.A. The colleges/schools of the university are those faculty units headed by a dean.
Oversight: WI Statute Ch 36, Regents, FP&P/Senate, UAPC
Source: ACAD_GROUP_TBL

LEVEL 3 Department/(Academic Unit)

Definition: FPP Ch 5.01.A. A department shall consist of a group of faculty members recognized by the faculty and chancellor, (and the Board of Regents,) as dealing with a common field of knowledge or as having common or closely related scholarly interests.
Oversight: FPP Ch5, UAPC, Schools/Colleges, Faculty
Source: ACAD_ORG_TBL (SIS); ACAD_PLAN/SUBPLAN_TBL (InfoAccess); Budget files

LEVEL 4 Majors, Certificates, Honors [Plans]

Definition: "An area of study—such as a major, minor, or certificate —that is within an academic career."
Oversight: Authorized by Board of Regents; also UAPC, GFEC for graduate plans, school/college, department/unit
Source: ACAD_PLAN_TBL (SIS); ACAD_PLAN/SUBPLAN_TBL (InfoAccess)

LEVEL 5 Named Options, Honors [Subplans]

Definition: Distinguishes a strand of activity within the plan of type major. Can be Option or Honors.
Oversight: UAPC, GFEC for graduate plans, school/college, department/unit
Source: ACAD_PLAN_TBL + ACAD_SUBPLN_TBL (SIS); ACAD_PLAN/SUBPLAN_TBL (InfoAccess)

LEVEL 6 Degree

Definition: Award credential earned by student and conferred by University; one or many plans may have a common degree
Oversight: Authorized by Board of Regents; also UAPC, GFEC for graduate degrees, school/college, department/unit
Source: DEGREE_TBL + ACAD_PLAN_TBL (SIS)

LEVEL 7 Subject

Definition: Course Subject Listings are structures for organizing groups of courses in a related subject area or topic that represent a coherent program of study. Each course Subject Listing has an academic owner, which is usually a department or other organized group of faculty (program or center) with a structured faculty executive committee.
Oversight: UAPC, school/college, department/unit
Source: SUBJECT_TBL (SIS); STDNT_SUBJECT_CODES (InfoAccess)

Course 1
Course2
Course3
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CourseX