Swarthmore College Office of the Registrar INDIVIDUALIZED MAJOR

With permission of the departments concerned, it is possible for a student to plan an individualized major that includes closely related work in one or more departments. Individualized majors consist of at least 10 credits and no more than 12 credits. Students with Individualized majors typically complete a minimum of six courses in the primary department or program, omitting some of the breadth requirements of the major field. However, course requirements central to systematic understanding of the major field may not be waived. Students with Individualized majors must complete the major comprehensive requirement, which may consist of a thesis or other written research projects designed to integrate the work across departmental boundaries, or a comprehensive examination. The departments involved collaborate in advising and in the comprehensive examination.

Individualized majors need *four* categories of approval. Any change of program or title requires complete re-approval. Submit completed form to the Registrar's Office for final approval and record update.

- 1. **Individualized major title**: Approval required from the chair(s) of all department(s) suggested in the wording of the title, and the Registrar.
- Courses: Approval required from the chair(s) of the relevant department with 2 or more credits listed.
- 3. **Comprehensive exercise**: Approval required from the chair of the department offering the senior comprehensive exercise for the Individualized major. The comp is usually the same or similar to the comp in the department of the Individualized Major Advisor.
- Faculty Advisor: Approval required of the faculty member advising the Individualized major. Important Note: This person will be asked to certify major fulfillment in May of the senior year.
- 5. **Honors Director**: Approval required if you're pursuing an Honors Individualized Major.
- 6. Registrar's Office: Approval required to update student's record.

NAME	ID#	GRAD YEAR	
TITLE OF INDIVIDUALIZED MAJOR	(see #1 above):	Check for Honors?	

[**NOTE**: form continues on other side]

List Course Information below. Important Note: There is a 10-credit minimum and 12-credit maximum

	Department Number	Course Title	Semester/Year	Credits
1				
2				
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12				

Individualized Major Faculty Advisor, Signature, Date	Print Name
Comprehensive Exercise Chair, Signature, Date	Print Name
Department Chair Signature, Date	Print Name
Department Chair Signature, Date	Print Name
Department Chair Signature, Date	Print Name
Department Chair Signature, Date	Print Name

Director of the Honors Program, for	Honors Review
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Registrar, the Major Title Review

Date

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