

The parallel major that I would be most likely to pursue would be “Biological Oceanography”, it is an undergraduate degree offered here at ODU. I look at this as something that I would likely be good at, my original major was essentially this, and I feel that this major is more specific to what I want to do. An interesting fact about this major is that it’s the parent to marine biology and the analysis of how creatures act in the ocean, which would likely be useful in a world where we should be taking advantage of the space and resources allotted to us by the ocean. One career that can be had with one of these degrees is a marine biologist, which is a biological field specialized to the ocean, with as much diversity as sealife, from specializing in the smallest protozoa, to the largest whales and squids. Additional classes that I would have to take are numerous, but they mostly revolve around geology, oceanic geology, and biology courses, they seem pretty consistent, and the only tall order for me would be calculus. A way to gain some much needed experience in this field would be quite easy, ODU’s main campus is in Norfolk, and neighboring Virginia Beach is home to a great many oceanographic organizations, volunteer work or an internship in this field, specifically in this physical area would not be difficult to find. My advisor for this major is Renaldo Randall, and I will make sure to contact him if I feel that his is a good fit for me.