

Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Programs

Application and Acknowledgment of Program Requirements

Colleges with existing Master's degree programs may offer an accelerated undergraduate to graduate degree program (designated as an Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program) allowing qualified undergraduate students to register for graduate level credit hours as undergraduates and receive dual credit toward both undergraduate and graduate degrees within the designated programs that comprise the Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program. Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Programs should be designed as continuous combined programs with a seamless transition from the Bachelor's degree program into the Master's degree program.

Each Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program will establish the number of credit hours to receive dual credit subject to approval by Academic Affairs and the Graduate College through the normal University curricular approval process. A maximum of twelve graduate level credit hours can be double counted towards the Bachelor's degree and the Master's degree.

Each Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program will establish the selection criteria for students to qualify subject to approval by Academic Affairs and the Graduate College through the normal University curricular approval process. Students may apply for admission into the Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program in their Junior year; however, they must complete a minimum of 90 credit hours towards their Bachelor's degree and have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or better in those undergraduate courses to be eligible for admission into the Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program. Once approved the student will be conditionally admitted into the graduate program.

The curriculum will follow the existing curriculum in the undergraduate and graduate degree programs comprising the Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program. Selected 5000 and 6000 level courses in the graduate program will be eligible for dual credit both in the undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

Students in Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Programs will apply for graduation with the Bachelor's degree on the schedule delineated in the undergraduate catalog and will receive their bachelor's degree upon completion of all the requirements for the undergraduate degree. The Master's degree will be awarded when the student has completed the remaining requirements for the graduate degree.

Upon the completion of Bachelor's degree requirements, students will be accepted into the Graduate College at a status consistent with the Graduate College and individual program

guidelines. Students must meet all the graduate requirements for dual credit courses to receive graduate credit for these courses to contribute toward their Master's degree. Please note that only grades B or better will count toward graduate credit.

All other general requirements for the Bachelor's and Master's degree programs that comprise an Accelerated Bachelor's Plus Master's Degree Program apply and must be satisfied.

These guidelines represent a minimum standard. Individual graduate programs may establish more stringent guidelines as well as additional requirement not specifically precluded in this document with the approval of the Graduate College and Academic Affairs.

Student:	Date:
Under Graduate Advisor:	Date:
Graduate Program Director:	Date:
Graduate College Dean:	Date: