COMBINED DEGREES

The Combined Degree program allows undergraduate students who qualify academically to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree. Minimum qualifications for many programs include a 3.2 GPA and a competitive GRE score for admission to graduate school.

Combined degree programs allow students to get a head start on their graduate education by taking graduate courses throughout the junior and senior undergraduate years. In most programs, 12 credit hours of graduate work will also count toward an undergraduate degree, thus reducing the time it takes to get both degrees. Students should consult their department advisors to determine whether the department offers combined-degree programs and whether they qualify.

There are a number of financial considerations to keep in mind. Students are responsible for paying the difference between undergraduate and graduate tuitions. Florida Prepaid College Tuition Program participants will receive funding for the first 120 credit hours. The program will fund graduate courses taken toward the undergraduate degree at the undergraduate level. Financial aid may be available to assist with the graduate degree portion of the program.

Advantages

- Qualified students can obtain an undergraduate and a graduate degree in much less time than two separate degrees.
- The cost of both degrees is reduced, since at least 12 credits apply toward both degrees.
- Students have time to decide whether to pursue further graduate or professional study.
- A student's marketability is greatly enhanced; many professions now require a master's degree for entry-level positions.

Combined Degrees by College

Accounting, Fisher School of Accounting: 3/2 MAcc/BSAc

Non-thesis only

This is an integrated, five-year, 150-hour program that leads to the joint award of a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and a Master of Accounting. Students may pursue a general accounting curriculum, or select an auditing or taxation concentration. This program is for students seeking a professional accounting career. Completion fulfills the state's requirements to take the CPA examination to practice in Florida.

Admission Criteria
Contact: 352.273.0200; Email

Agricultural and Life Sciences, College of Agricultural Education and Communication: BS/MS

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email

Agricultural Operations Management: BS/MS

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA
Contact: 352.392.1864 ext. 116; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Animal Sciences: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; junior or senior status; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.7527; Email

Entomology and Nematology: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.5 GPA
Contact: 352.273.3913; Email or 352.273.3974; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Family, Youth and Community Sciences: BS/MS and BS/MFYCS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.273.3514; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences: BS/MS or MFAS

BS Degree in Another Discipline
Students must find a Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor. To count for the MS or MFAS degree, FAS courses must be taken at the graduate level.

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.846.0847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Food and Resource Economics: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: up to 15 credit hours. Specific courses will be determined by the undergraduate and graduate program offices.

Geomatics: BS/MFRC or MS

Students must find a Geomatics faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor. To count for the MS or MFRC degree, GIS/SUR courses must be taken at the graduate level.

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA
Contact: 352.846.0847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Forest Resources and Conservation: BSFRC/MFRC or MS

Students must find a Forest Resources & Conservation faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor. To count for the MS or MFRC degree, FOR/FNR courses must be taken at the graduate level.

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA
Contact: 352.846.0847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Geomatics: BS/MFRC or MS

Students must find a Geomatics faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor. To count for the MS or MFRC degree, GIS/SUR courses must be taken at the graduate level.

Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA
Contact: 352.8460847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

More Info
Horticultural Sciences: BS/MS
Students must find a Horticultural Sciences faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.273.4847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Interdisciplinary Studies, Marine Sciences: BS/MFAS or MS
Students must find a Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisor. To count for the MS or MFAS degree, FAS courses must be taken at the graduate level.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA on all upper-division courses
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Microbiology and Cell Science: 4/1 BS/MS
The program is a 4/1 program because students may be awarded both a B.S. and an M.S. (non-thesis) within a five-year period. This program is offered by the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, but students majoring in microbiology and cell science in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are also eligible.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA on all upper-division courses
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Natural Resource Conservation: BSFRC/MFRC, MFAS or MS
Students must find a School of Forest Resources & Conservation faculty member to serve as their graduate faculty advisor. A written agreement must be approved by both the undergraduate and future graduate academic advisors. To count for the MS or MFRC degree, FOR/FNR courses must be taken at the graduate level.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA
Contact: 352.846.0847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Plant Science and Plant Pathology: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Soil and Water Science: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.1951 ext. 254; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12

Business, Warrington College of
Business Administration, Major in Entrepreneurship: MSE
Through a stimulating curriculum and transformational experiential learning opportunities, this one-year, intensive program equips promising entrepreneurs with the skills and savvy to plan, launch and sustain innovative ventures on their terms.

Admission Criteria: Adequate GMAT score; 3.2 minimum GPA
Contact: 352.273.0337; Email
Overlapping Credits: 2-10

Business Administration, Major in Management: MSM
This degree provides nonbusiness majors the opportunity to combine knowledge from other academic disciplines with functional business applications to create a dynamic skillset in demand by employers in business and nonbusiness industries.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GMAT or GRE score; 3.2 minimum GPA
Contact: 352.273.0344; Email
Overlapping Credits: 2-12

Finance, Master of Science: MSF
Students have the opportunity to study finance at the second-year MBA level. Courses cover nearly all areas of finance, including derivative securities, fixed income markets, equity valuation, international finance and real estate finance. With early application students can receive their undergraduate and graduate degrees in four years. The best time to apply is two years before the undergraduate degree would be received.
Admission Criteria: 465 GMAT (650+ average); 3.0 GPA (3.5+ average)
Contact: 352.392.9249; Email
Overlapping Credits: 2-12

Information Systems: BS/MS
Non-thesis only
This program develops the computing, quantitative and applications skills vital to a business problem-solving setting.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA
Contact: 352.846.1370; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12-16

Master of International Business: MIB
This one-year degree allows UF business majors or minors to enhance their undergraduate business education with an in-depth study of global business issues and trends. The MIB program allows curriculum flexibility and incorporates practical global business components with a required one-week Global Immersion Experience course abroad and optional participation in an international exchange program.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GMAT or GRE score; 3.2 minimum GPA
Contact: 352.273.0343; Email
Overlapping Credits: 2-12

Real Estate, Master of Science: MSRE
Non-thesis only
The MSRE thrives on innovation, a dynamic student body and significant interaction with high-level working professionals and nationally recognized professors. The program is a unique combination of theory and practice that will enhance the student’s commercial real estate education and develop professional skills. Undergraduate students from any college/major may apply. Prior coursework in accounting, business, economics, finance or statistics is preferred but not required.
Admission Criteria: 465 GMAT (600+ average); 3.0 GPA (3.4+ average). Admission is based on a number of factors, including GMAT and academic record.
Contact: 352.273.0310; Email
Overlapping Credits: 2-12
More Info

Construction Management, M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Construction Management
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.4 upper-division GPA; complete all 3000-level BCN courses
Contact: 352.273.1153; Email
Overlapping credit: 12
More Info

Design, Construction and Planning, College of
• Historic Preservation
• Interior Design: BS/MS
• Landscape Architecture
• Urban and Regional Planning

Historic Preservation
Available to students in the Bachelor of Sustainability and the Built Environment program
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.294.1438; Email
Overlapping Credits: 15

Interior Design: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0252 ext. 335; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Landscape Architecture
Available to students in the Bachelor of Sustainability and the Built Environment program
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.6098; Email
Overlapping Credits: 9
More Info

Urban and Regional Planning
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0997 ext. 434; Email
Overlapping Credits: 21 (9 of the 21 hours can be taken in the home department)
More Info

Engineering, College of
Aerospace Engineering: BSAE/ME or MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0963; Email
Overlapping Credits: 6
More Info

Biomedical Engineering (Materials Science and Engineering, Biological Engineering, Chemical Engineering or Electrical Engineering): BSMSE/MS or ME; BSABE/MS or ME; BSCHE/MS or ME; BSEE/MS or ME, BME/BME, BSBME/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE scores acceptable to the BME department; 3.3 GPA
Contact: Email or 352.273.8096; Email
Overlapping Credits: 9-12
More Info

Chemical Engineering: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 upper division GPA, 3.2 GPA in chemical engineering courses; six ECH-prefixed core courses
Contact: 352.392.0881; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Civil Engineering: BS/ME or MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 upper-division GPA
Contact: 352.392.9537; Email
Overlapping Credits: 9
More Info

Computer Engineering: BSCEN/ME or MS
Thesis or non-thesis
Admission Criteria: Junior status; Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA; completion of 3 of 4 core courses: CDA 3101; COP 3503 or COP 3504; COP 3530; COT 3100
Contact: CISE department, 405 Computer Science and Engineering; 352.392.1090
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Digital Arts and Sciences: BS/MS
Admission Criteria: Junior status; Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA; a portfolio; 3.3 minimum GPA on 3 of 4 core courses: CDA 3101; COP 3503 or COP 3504; COP 3530; COT 3100
Contact: CISE Department, 405 Computer Science and Engineering; 352.392.1090
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Electrical and Computer Engineering: BSEE/ME or MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 upper-division GPA
Contact: 352.392.9758; Email
Overlapping Credits: 6-12
More Info

Environmental Engineering: BS/ME
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score or passing score on the Fundamentals of Engineering exam; 3.30 GPA
Contact: 352.392.7104; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Industrial and Systems Engineering: BSISE/ME, MS, MSM or MSF
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.5 upper-division GPA
Contact: 352.392.1464 ext. 2026; Email
Overlapping Credits: 10
More Info
Materials Science and Engineering: BSMSE/MS or ME
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score used in the context of a holistic credential review; 3.5 GPA; 18 hours of EMA undergraduate coursework must be completed
Contact: 352.846.3312; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Mechanical Engineering: BSME/ME or MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0963; Email
Overlapping Credits: 6
More Info

Nuclear and Radiological Engineering: BSNE/MS or ME
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.6 GPA
Contact: Martha McDonald, 352.846.3312; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Health and Human Performance, College of
Health Education and Behavior: BS/MS
Non-thesis only
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 UF GPA
Contact: 352.392.0583 ext. 1288; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Sport Management: BSSPM/MSSPM
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 overall GPA with a 3.0 critical-tracking GPA; completion of EME 2040, MAR 3023, SPM 3200, SPM 3204 and MAN 3025 with minimum grades of B on first attempt
Contact: 352.392.4042; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Tourism, Event and Recreation Management: BSRPT/MSRPT
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA; completion of LEI 3140, LEI 3400, LEI 3705; 3 credit option-specific course (i.e., HFT 2750/LEI 3360/LEI 3301, etc.), 3 credit cognate course with a minimum grade of B on first attempt
Contact: 352.392.4042; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Journalism and Mass Communication, College of
Advertising: BS Advertising/M.Adv. Advertising
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.4046; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Journalism: BS Journalism/MA Mass Communication
Online Media, Health Communication or International Communications
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0847; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Telecommunication: MAMC
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.0463; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Liberal Arts and Sciences, College of
Botany: BS/MS
Thesis or non-thesis
Admission Criteria: 300 GRE; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.273.0126; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Computer Science: BS/MS
Thesis or non-thesis
Joint program in the colleges of Engineering and Liberal Arts and Sciences, coordinated by the Department of Computer and Information Science and Engineering. Students may combine either the B.S. in Computer Science offered through the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences or the B.S. in Computer Science offered through the College of Engineering with the M.S. in Computer Science (LS).
Admission Criteria: Junior status; Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA; completion of 3 of the 4: CDA 3101, CIS 3503, COP 3530, COT 3100.
Contact: CISE department; 352.392.1090
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

French: BA/MA
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Geography: BA or BS/MA or MS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

Geology: BS or BA/MS or MA
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA; 24 credits at UF; minimum 20 credits of geology courses with 3.5 GPA
Contact: 352.392.2766 or 352.392.2231; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

History: BA/MA
Non-thesis only
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.25 GPA
Contact: 352.273.3387; Email
Overlapping Credits: 8
More Info

Latin American Studies: BA or BS (various fields) / MALAS
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.5 GPA; at least 12 credits of 3000-4000 level Latin American-content courses with at least 25% Latin American content (including at least one LAS 4935); intermediate proficiency in Spanish, Portuguese or Haitian Creole (as determined by a standardized exam, individual assessment by UF faculty or coursework: More Info
i.e., Spanish through SPN 2240, Portuguese through POR 3242 or Haitian Creole through HAI 2200)
Contact: 352.273.4708; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Linguistics: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.25 GPA
Contact: 352.294.7459; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Mathematics: BS/MA or MS**
*Non-thesis only*
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.25 GPA
Contact: 352.294.2322; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Philosophy: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 cumulative GPA; 3.5 GPA in all philosophy courses
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Physics: BS or BA/MS**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 140 verbal GRE; 600 Physics GRE; 3.5 upper-division GPA
Contact: 352.392.8952; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Political Science: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.7 GPA; completion of 24 credits at UF, 12 of which must be political science courses
Contact: 352.273.2368; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Portuguese: BA Portuguese/MA Latin American Studies**
*Thesis or non-thesis*
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.392.2100; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Religion: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.0 GPA; letter of purpose
Contact: 352.392.1625; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Russian: BA/MA**
*Thesis or non-thesis*
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Sociology: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA
Contact: 352.294.7168; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Spanish: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.5 GPA
Contact: 352.273.3750; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Statistics: BA or BS/MStat**
*Non-thesis only*
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score (minimum 1100); GPA: 3.25 or higher in all coursework (at least 24 hours at UF), and a GPA of 3.5 or higher in 4000-level statistics coursework (at least 12 hours at UF) and a 3.0 in graduate statistics coursework
Contact: 352.273.2972; Email
Overlapping Credits: 15
More Info

**Women's Studies: BA/MA**
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA; complete WST 3015
Contact: 352.273.0389; Email
Overlapping Credits: 12
More Info

**Natural Resources and Environment, School of Environmental Science and Interdisciplinary Ecology: BS/MS**
*Thesis or Non-thesis*
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.3 GPA
Contact: 352.392.9230; Email
Overlapping Credits: 15
More Info

**Public Health and Health Professions, College of Public Health: Any Bachelor’s Degree/MPH**
Qualified students with any undergraduate major can pursue a master’s degree in public health. Students complete 15 credits of public health core courses as an undergraduate and then complete the remaining 33 credits after admission to graduate school. Students select a concentration in public health management and policy, social and behavioral sciences, epidemiology, biostatistics or environmental health.
Admission Criteria: Competitive GRE score; 3.2 GPA; completion of APK 2105C, BSC 2005 or BSC 2010, PSY 2012, STA 2023, advanced psychology (abnormal or developmental) and any additional prerequisites (depends on concentration).
Contact: 352.273.6377; Email
Overlapping credits: 15
More Info

Meet with an academic advisor to determine the most-appropriate combined-degree option. Qualified students can pursue the graduate degree outside the undergraduate major or department. Application normally occurs in the junior or senior year. If accepted, students must take the GRE the first semester of their senior year.

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Financial aid is available for the graduate portion of the program. Undergraduate degree costs should be satisfied with existing financial aid such as Bright Futures and Prepaid Tuition. Bright Futures can cover the undergraduate costs of up to 12 hours of graduate courses that apply to the undergraduate degree. Each student is responsible for the
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difference in tuition between the undergraduate and graduate course rates. If available, the Florida Prepaid Tuition Program can fund the first 120 hours. Graduate courses that apply toward the undergraduate degree are funded at the undergraduate rate, and the student is responsible for the difference.

FAQ

Q: What is a combined bachelor’s and master’s degree program?
A: A combined-degree program allows students to complete a specific number of graduate-level credits (typically ranging from 12 to 21 hours of approved coursework) while enrolled as an undergraduate. Approved hours satisfy degree requirements for both degrees.

Q: Why should I participate in a combined-degree program?
A: The program allows students to take graduate coursework before they make a decision to complete a graduate degree. If the student continues in a graduate program, they'll save at least one full semester of graduate enrollment.

Q: At what point in the undergraduate program should I apply?
A: Students can apply as early as the second semester of their sophomore year or as late as their senior year depending upon the combined-degree program.

Q: At what point do I enroll in graduate courses?
A: If approved, students can take graduate courses during their junior and senior years as specified by the particular combined-degree program.

Q: What is required for approval?
A: As an undergraduate applying for entry into a combined-degree program, students must have a minimum cumulative 3.2 UF GPA (some majors require a higher GPA) and have completed all critical-tracking requirements to enroll in graduate coursework while they are completing their undergraduate degree. After students apply for admission to the Graduate School, however, they must meet the minimum cumulative GPA requirement and GRE/GMAT score the particular master program requires.

Q: What is required so that 12 to 21 hours of graduate coursework (depending on the major) can also count toward my master’s degree?
A: To apply the graduate credit to both degrees, students must be admitted to the Graduate School and receive a grade of B or higher in each course. A graduate coordinator can provide the admission requirements for a particular department.

Q: If I do not continue in graduate school, can the graduate coursework I complete still be used to satisfy my undergraduate degree requirements?
A: Yes.

Q: What about my financial aid?
A: Bright Futures and/or the Florida Prepaid Tuition Program will pay the undergraduate tuition rate for the graduate courses students take; each student will have to pay the difference between undergraduate and graduate course costs.

Q: Why would I want to pay additional tuition to enroll in graduate courses?
A: If a student continues to graduate school, they will save on the tuition costs for the 12 to 21 graduate credits (depending on the major) taken while still classified as an undergraduate. Remember that graduate course costs will be partially paid by the student’s undergraduate financial aid.

Q: How do I apply?
A: Contact an undergraduate advisor and complete the combined degree application. Students will need the approval of the undergraduate coordinator, the graduate coordinator, and the dean's office of their undergraduate college.

Q: What if I want to create my own combined-degree program? What do I do?
A: Students should contact the coordinator in the graduate department of the new combined-degree program.

Q: Are there other accelerated degree programs available other than combined degrees?
A: Yes, there are several accelerated degree programs available.

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