



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3341-3-74 Master's degree - dual master's degrees - graduate.

Effective: September 17, 2020

(A) Policy statement and purpose

This describes the policies associated with completing dual masters degrees at BGSU.

(B) Policy scope

(1) Requirements for dual masters degrees

(a) A student may design a program of study incorporating two related fields leading to the simultaneous award of two masters degrees. The purpose of the students program must be directed to developing competencies in two collateral fields of inquiry or to building an interdisciplinary specialization that integrates the knowledge and analytical skills of the two disciplines.

(b) Requesting dual master's degrees:

A student must be admitted to two masters degrees before applying for dual masters status. Dual masters status must be requested by the student and approved by both programs and the graduate college. The application for dual masters status must include the students rationale and the proposed curriculum to be followed. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible, to ensure the integrative nature of the two degrees.

(c) Course credits:

In addition to completing the basic core requirements for both programs, students can share up to nine course credits between programs (if academically appropriate and approved by both programs).

(d) Culminating experience:



To demonstrate a capacity for an effective integration of the two fields, the student must complete a shared culminating experience with content drawn from both programs (e.g., thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.). Committee members assessing the culminating experience must be drawn from both programs. The maximum amount of shared culminating experience credits is six.

(e) Total credits:

Including any allowed shared credits, a student must meet the total minimum credit and curricular requirements of both masters degrees.

(f) Limitations:

A minimum of eighteen credits must be completed at six thousand-level for each master's program. If a six thousand-level course is shared, it can be then counted toward both programs' eighteen credit minimum. Time-to-degree rules apply for all courses.