

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS TAKING GRADUATE COURSES

A senior with a grade-point average (GPA) of at least 2.7 may enroll in a graduate course if she/he obtains permission from the school or department offering the course.

1. Up to twelve credit hours earned as an undergraduate student may count toward earning a master's degree if the following conditions are satisfied.
 - a. The student was in residence at Georgia Tech for at least two semesters before registering for the course(s).
 - b. The student did not apply credit for the course toward a bachelor's degree. Special exceptions may apply in certain schools, as described below.
 - i. If student pursues both a bachelor's and master's at Georgia Tech, and if both degrees are in the same discipline, she/he may apply up to six credit hours of graduate-level credit in the major discipline to satisfying the requirements for both degrees. Because some master's degree programs do not have any unique undergraduate counterpart program, and because some master's programs are offered by several schools, the definition of "discipline" will be broadly interpreted in such cases. To qualify for this option, a student must complete the bachelor's degree with a cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher, and she/he must complete the master's degree within a two-year period following the award date of the bachelor's degree.

Graduate Course Option

Students completing both a bachelor's and master's in the same discipline at Georgia Tech may use up to six credit hours of graduate-level coursework in the major discipline for both degrees. Recognizing that some master's degree programs do not have a unique undergraduate counterpart program and that some master's programs are offered by several schools, the term "discipline" in the prior sentence will be broadly interpreted in such cases. To qualify for this option, students must complete the undergraduate degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and complete the master's degree within a two-year period from the award date of the bachelor's degree.

Many academic units have formalized using the Graduate Course Option between an undergraduate program and graduate program by creating BS/MS Options to allow eligible students to use up to 6 credit hours of graduate-level coursework in the major discipline for both degrees. The BS/MS options typically include research and mentoring components and have their own GPA requirements. These options must be formally requested through the Institute Graduate Curriculum Committee.

See BS/MS Programs for specific BS/MS Option information.