ACCELERATED BACHELOR'S/MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM (ADP)

Overview

The Accelerated Degree Policy (ADP) is designed to provide Marquette University undergraduates a more efficient means to obtain a master's degree. The program benefits the university by retaining our best students for master's study. Minimum academic criteria are established by each participating unit for students who have a high academic potential (typically 3.000 or above) and want to start taking graduate-level courses during their undergraduate careers, some of which will count toward both their undergraduate and graduate degrees.

Undergraduates participating in this program are granted early admission to the Graduate School and are allowed to take specified graduate-level courses during their junior or senior years.

Departments and programs with existing bachelor's degree programs may create an accelerated path to a current master's degree by accepting 5000-level courses from undergraduate work.

The ADP proposal guidelines are only for programs with <u>current bachelor's and master's programs that can be combined.</u> Academic units that want to <u>create a new program, or modify the master's degree in other ways, should follow the appropriate procedures laid out within the Academic Program Approval Guidelines.</u>

The ADP proposal guidelines only apply to proposals in the same or closely related department/program and meet the following requirements:
1.   Approved bachelor's programs already in the bulletin
2.   Approved master's programs already in the bulletin
3.   No new courses
4.   No additional financial resources
5.   No additional space requirements
6.   No additional staff requirements
7.   No impact on accreditation

Proposal
Program proposals for accelerated degree program are composed of only the program description section.

1.   The automated [CourseLeaf program](#) will be used for submission of the proposal for an accelerated degree program. The online approval form should be completed by the department submitting the proposal, the proposal and other supporting documentation should be attached to the online approval form. The online approval form and the proposal documentation are submitted via the automated review/approval process.

   *** Even though an ADP is submitted in [CourseLeaf](#) as a modification the proposal documentation for an ADP must be included in the submission.

2.   Program description
     a.   Name of the sponsoring department or program and approval by the chair.
     b.   Current structure of the bachelor's degree.
     c.   Current structure of the master's degree.