

Graduate Policies and Procedures

Undergraduate Registration for Graduate Courses

Upper-division undergraduates, who are classified as seniors and core complete, may petition the Undergraduate Associate Dean and Graduate Advisor to take graduate courses by completing the appropriate form available in the student's academic advising office. If approved, these graduate courses can be applied toward satisfying undergraduate degree requirements or can be designated for future application toward a graduate degree requirement at UT Dallas. The student must declare at the time of registration for the course, on a form provided by the Undergraduate Associate Dean, how each approved course is to be applied. Once applied, the options cannot be changed.

Graduate Courses Applied Toward an Undergraduate Degree

Up to 12 semester credit hours of graduate work taken as an undergraduate may be used for completing any baccalaureate degree at The University of Texas at Dallas. Pass/Fail grading for graduate courses will be permitted only in this category but must be approved by the instructor prior to the start of class.

Graduate Courses for Possible Future Use as Graduate Credit

Undergraduates may take up to 12 semester credit hours of graduate courses to reserve for possible application toward a graduate degree. To register, undergraduate students must obtain permission from the course instructor and from the graduate advisor of the program in which the course is offered. Such courses may be eligible for application to the student's graduate record when the student is admitted to a graduate program. These courses will not apply to the student's undergraduate degree and will not affect the student's undergraduate GPA.

Graduate Courses Taken in Fast Track Options

Upper-division undergraduates, who are classified as seniors and core complete, may petition their Associate Dean to take graduate courses in the Fast Track program, and must have completed 90 semester credit hours. A number of [undergraduate programs](#) at The University of Texas at Dallas offer an accelerated Fast Track option that allows qualified senior level undergraduate students to take specified master's level coursework.

A Fast Track undergraduate student, with the permission of the student's Undergraduate Associate Dean and the graduate advisor of the intended graduate program, follows the program

requirements regarding graduate courses and maximum graduate semester credit hours applicable to a graduate degree (not greater than 15 semester credit hours). The graduate semester credit hours may be used to complete the baccalaureate degree and also to satisfy requirements for the master's degree.

The grade earned in the graduate coursework must be a 'B' (3.000) or better to be applied to the master's degree requirements. A student may only Fast Track into ONE graduate Master's program.

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