Dual Degree Admissions Information

Students pursuing a dual degree complete the requirements of each individual degree while applying approved courses towards both degrees. Time to completion depends on the flexibility of the two degrees and the planning of courses. Dual degree students become experts in an area of concentration, earn two degrees typically in less time than it would take to complete them separately and are more marketable after graduation. Below is a list of established dual degree programs with the Knowlton School. It is also possible for students to arrange their own unique dual degree program with any two graduate degrees offered at OSU.

KNOWLTON SCHOOL ESTABLISHED DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

- MCRP / MA African-American and African Studies
- MCRP / MS Civil Engineering -- Joint Program in Urban Transportation
- MCRP / MENR Environment and Natural Resources
- MCRP / MS Environmental Science
- MCRP / MA Geography
- MCRP / MLA Landscape Architecture
- MCRP / JD Law
- MCRP / MPA Public Affairs
- MCRP / MSW Social Work

DUAL DEGREE APPLICATION PROCESS

The application to pursue a dual degree program may be completed at the time of your first application and no later than the semester prior to graduation. Planning early is encouraged. There are two options for admission into a dual degree program and their general processes are listed below. Because each program may have unique application processes, you should check each program’s website and contact the graduate program coordinators in each program for details.

1) Applicants may first apply to one program. If admitted, follow the steps below to apply to the second program.

   a. Ask your current program’s graduate program coordinator to send a copy of your original application to the second program’s coordinator. The Knowlton School graduate program coordinator’s contact information is below. The second program may require additional admission materials.

   b. If admitted to the second program, you will zero out the “Dual Degree Plan Approval Form,” which can be obtained from the Graduate School website. Using this form, you will plan out which courses will be used towards each unique program, and which courses will be used as dual credit towards both degrees. This form must be signed by the Graduate Studies Chairs and your assigned faculty advisors from each program. Once the form is complete, it should be submitted to the Graduate School and a copy of the plan should be given to each program’s coordinator. The student should also keep a copy for his/her own records.

2) Applicants can apply directly to both programs following the application instructions for each program by submitting separate online applications and application fees. Only one copy of transcripts and test scores are required. If you wish to use the same letters of recommendation, you may ask the graduate programs coordinators to share letters to be included in each application. If admitted to both programs, you would be asked to accept one program first and then follow the instructions above to fill out the Dual Degree Plan Approval form to officially enroll in the second program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Graduate School Handbook | [http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/6.7-dual-masters-degree-programs.html](http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/6.7-dual-masters-degree-programs.html)

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