

Policy Revision

Policy Title	Acceptability of Graduate Transfer Credit		
Policy URL	https://catalog.arizona.edu/policy/courses-credit/credit/graduate-transfer-credit		
Suggested updates	Allow for Professional Practice Programs to have up to 40% of program in transfer credit		
Rationale for updates	Upon the recommendation of the Professional Graduate Program Taskforce enable designated Professional Practice Programs to allow for up to 40% of the degree in transfer credit.		
Policy Sponsor	Kirsten Limesand, Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Dean of the Graduate College		
Responsible Unit	Graduate College	URL	https://grad.arizona.edu/
Career Applicability	<input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Graduate <input type="checkbox"/> Law <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary Medicine		
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	Provost	Scheduled:	Status:

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Additions in **Green** – Deletions in **Yellow**

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<p>Acceptability of Graduate Transfer Credit</p> <p>Graduate courses completed at another regionally accredited college or university (or a recognized foreign institution) may be transferred to the University of Arizona and applied toward a graduate degree program, provided that these criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The course earned graduate credit at the home institution and is comparable to University of Arizona graduate level work; The student earned a grade of A or B in the course (or the equivalent, if another grading system were used); 	<p>Acceptability of Graduate Transfer Credit</p> <p>Graduate courses completed at another regionally accredited college or university (or a recognized foreign institution) may be transferred to the University of Arizona and applied toward a graduate degree program, provided that these criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The course earned graduate credit at the home institution and is comparable to University of Arizona graduate level work; The student earned a grade of A or B in the course (or the equivalent, if another grading system were used);

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The course was not applied toward an undergraduate degree; and The major or minor advisor and program director approve the acceptance of the transfer course(s). <p>Transfer course work is not computed in the University of Arizona grade-point-average (GPA).</p> <p>For master's degree programs, no more than 20% of the required units for the degree can be transfer units (e.g., a student in a 36-unit degree program may use no more than 7 transfer units), except in the case of institutionally approved international dual-degree programs. A student in a graduate certificate program should check the transfer unit limit for that specific certificate; some certificate programs do not allow any transfer credit.</p> <p>There are also limits on the use of UA courses (400-level or above) taken as a non-degree seeking graduate student or as an undergraduate senior. For specific limits, students should consult the credit requirements policy of the degree program in question. NOTE: Effective for students admitted to a graduate program in Fall 2014, no 400-level courses can be applied toward a graduate program.</p> <p>Students who wish to transfer course work toward a UA graduate program must submit an Evaluation of Transfer Credit form in UA GradPath to have transfer course work evaluated for eligibility. This should be done before the end of their first year of graduate study.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The course was not applied toward an undergraduate degree; and The major or minor advisor and program director approve the acceptance of the transfer course(s). <p>Transfer course work is not computed in the University of Arizona grade-point-average (GPA).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1066 472 1980 846"> <thead> <tr> <th>Program Type</th> <th>Maximum transfer credits accepted</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Master's degree*</td> <td>20% of the minimum units required for the degree</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Graduate Certificate</td> <td>Varies by certificate; see program admissions guide</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Professional Practice Programs</td> <td>40% of the minimum units required for the degree</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*Master's degrees approved by the Graduate College as Professional Practice Programs follow the threshold for Professional Practice Programs.</p> <p>There are also limits on the use of UA courses (400-level or above) taken as a non-degree seeking graduate student or as an undergraduate senior. For specific limits, students should consult the credit requirements policy of the degree program in question. 400-level courses can not be applied toward a graduate program.</p> <p>Students who wish to transfer course work toward a graduate program must submit an Evaluation of Transfer Credit form in GradPath to have transfer course work evaluated for eligibility. This should be done before the end of their first year of graduate study.</p>	Program Type	Maximum transfer credits accepted	Master's degree*	20% of the minimum units required for the degree	Graduate Certificate	Varies by certificate; see program admissions guide	Professional Practice Programs	40% of the minimum units required for the degree
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Graduate Transfer Credit Policy Benchmarking

Credit Transfer

Institution	Pertinent policy details	comments	website
University of Arizona	No more than 20% of the minimum number of units required for a master's degree can be transferred from other accredited institutions		https://grad.arizona.edu/gsas/degree-requirements/masters-degrees#Transfer%20Credit
Arizona State University	maximum of 12 graduate-level credit hours with grades of "B" or better that were not used towards another degree, and that have been taken within 3 years of admission to the ASU degree.		p. 20 https://graduate.asu.edu/sites/default/files/2024-09/gc_policy_manual_2024-2025.pdf
Baylor	The accepted number of transfer credits will be determined by the individual academic departments within the guidelines, which can be found here	course work must be from an accredited university and appear on a graduate transcript, and course work must have been taken within five years immediately prior to matriculation, and course work must carry a grade of "B" or better (cannot accept P/F, CR/NC or certificates of completion), and none of the transfer course work consists of extension, workshop courses, or master's thesis or doctoral dissertation credits.	

BYU	<p>Transfer credits must be graduate level from accredited universities. The grade for any such course must be B or higher; pass/fail credit is non-transferable. Home study, correspondence, and extension courses are non-transferable. Courses taken at another university after the student has begun studies at BYU must be preapproved by graduate committee members and the graduate coordinator. Only credit taken within the student's time limit may count towards the degree (8 years for doctoral and 5 years for master's degree). Credit cannot have already been applied to another degree.</p> <p>International transfer credit may be considered if the institution is accredited/certified, and the recommending department submits a written justification</p>		<p>p. 36 https://gradstudies.byu.edu/0000017d-a6ee-dc8a-a37d-e7eeabda0001/graduate-studies-policy-handbook-updated-04-11-21</p>
Indiana University		<p>you may petition to transfer up to 6 hours of credit, provided it meets certain criteria and has the approval of the Evening MBA Program faculty chair.</p>	
Iowa State		<p>we accept graduate credits earned as a graduate student at another institution if the grade was B or better, if those courses would be acceptable toward an advanced degree at that institution, and if they were taught by individuals having graduate faculty status at that institution.</p>	
Michigan State	<p>As many as 9 semester credits of graduate course work but not more than 30% of the total number of credits required for the master's degree</p>	<p>As many as 9 semester credits of graduate course work (excluding research and thesis credits) may be transferred into a 30-credit master's degree program from other MSU programs or postsecondary accredited institutions of comparable academic quality, if they are appropriate to a student's program and provided they were completed no earlier than three years prior to the date of matriculation into the master's degree program</p>	

Ohio State	The Graduate School places no limit on the graduate credit hours that may be transferred	The following conditions must be satisfied in order to transfer graduate credit: the graduate credit was earned as a graduate student at an accredited university; the student earned at least a grade of "B" or satisfactory in each course for which credit is to be transferred (an exception to this may be the transfer of a complete master's degree for 30 credit hours); the Graduate Studies Committee approves the transfer.	https://gradsch.osu.edu/gradua...
Purdue University	At least one-half of the total credit hours used to satisfy master's degree requirements must be earned while registered at Purdue University. At least one-third of the total credit hours used to satisfy degree requirements must be earned while registered for doctoral study at Purdue University.	In fulfilling degree requirements, a maximum of 19 credit hours (from one or more institutions) will be allowed from any one session	
Texas A&M	A student who has earned 12 hours of graduate credit in residence at Texas A&M University may be authorized to transfer courses in excess of the limits prescribed below upon the advice of the advisory committee and with the approval of the Graduate and Professional School	To receive a graduate degree from Texas A&M University, students must earn one-third or more of the credits through the institution's own direct instruction. This limitation also applies to joint degree programs.	https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/architecture/architecture/combined-ms-mar/#transfer-credit
UC Davis	2 courses	On the recommendation of the program Graduate Advisor and with the approval of the dean of Graduate Studies, up to two courses completed while in graduate standing may be transferred from a non-UC university, provided the transfer does not conflict with the Graduate Council-approved degree requirements of the graduate program	
UC Riverside	At least 24 of the 36 units (2/3 or 67%) must be in graduate courses taken at this University	A minimum of 36 quarter units of graduate and upper division undergraduate courses in or related to the major subject area are required. At least 24 of the 36 units must be in graduate courses taken at this University	
UC San Diego			

UC Santa Barbara	<u>UCSB accepts transferable coursework completed with satisfactory grades at approved accredited institutions, subject to the limitations described below. Many courses in academic subjects are transferable if UC offers a comparable course. Remedial, vocational and personal enrichment courses do not qualify for transfer credit. For additional information please review the “Guide to Course Transferability.”</u>	policy does not articulate grad	https://catalog.ucsb.edu/pages/OavlgVkkMA6DDckd3dVL
UC Santa Cruz			
UCLA			
UNC Chapel Hill			
University of Buffalo			
University of California-Berkeley			
University of Central Florida	cannot exceed 50%	The total number of transfer credits cannot exceed 50% of the UCF degree requirements, and at least 15 credit hours of graded (A-F) courses must be taken at UCF once admitted	
University of Cincinnati	Programs are permitted to award up to one third of the credits of a UC graduate program through advanced standing		UC Advanced Standing Policy
University of Colorado-Boulder			
University of Florida			
University of Houston	9 units	Generally 9 sch as long as it did not count toward a prior degree.	https://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=53&navoid=20007
University of Illinois			
University of Iowa			

<p>University of Kansas</p>	<p>may transfer up to nine (9) hours of graduate credit; minimum of 15 credits toward a master's degree must be earned in KU coursework.</p>	<p>At the discretion of the major department and the Graduate Division, any graduate student may transfer up to nine (9) hours of graduate credit taken at a regionally-accredited graduate school and apply it to a KU master's degree plan, as long as the credits were taken prior to the final semester of enrollment at KU. In cases where KU has an established Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a partner institution, students may be able to transfer more than nine (9) hours of graduate credit, in accordance with the MOU.</p> <p>Only work graded B (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) or higher may be transferred. KU does not accept transfer credit for courses that have been graded B- or below. KU master's degrees may accept transfer credit graded CR (credit), S (satisfactory), or similar in cases where a school, college, or university employed such grading scales in response to a natural or other disaster, as indicated by a transcript notation or other documentation.</p> <p>KU does not accept graduate transfer credit for institutes, workshops, or life/work experience. Credit will not transfer for courses that were previously counted toward the completion of an undergraduate or graduate degree.</p> <p>A minimum of 15 credits toward a master's degree must be earned in KU coursework. As described in the Master's Degree Requirements policy, a 30-hour master's degree may be reduced to as few as 24 hours for students who are "especially well prepared." If coursework is transferred to KU, the same coursework cannot also be used to establish a student as "exceptionally well prepared."</p> <p>No graduate credit may be</p>	<p>https://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/graduate-credit</p>
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		<p>transferred toward a doctoral degree, but departments may take relevant prior graduate work into consideration when setting up programs of study.</p> <p>Graduate credit from another institution may not be transferred to a KU graduate certificate program.</p> <p>The department or program and the Graduate Division retain the discretion to deny a student's request to have transfer credit and/or non-degree-seeking credit count toward a degree or certificate.</p>	
University of Maryland	6 credit max for master's and a lot of flexibility for doctoral, with program approval		https://academiccatalog.umd.edu... (see Transfer and Inclusion of Credit)
University of Miami			
University of Michigan			
University of Minnesota			
University of Missouri	A maximum of 20 percent of the number of credit hours required for a student's degree may be graduate credits transferred from another regionally accredited institution		https://gradschool.missouri.edu/current-students/doctoral/#credits-nav ; https://gradschool.missouri.edu/current-students/masters/#credits ; https://gradschool.missouri.edu/current-students/education-specialists/#credits
University of Oregon			
University of Pittsburgh	Not more than six credits may be granted toward the completion of the requirements for a master's degree for work completed at another graduate institution		https://www.provost.pitt.edu/sites/default/files/AdvanceStandingCredits%2CAcademicRegulation.pdf

University of Rochester			
University of South Florida			
University of Southern California			
University of Texas-Austin			
University of Utah			
University of Virginia			
University of Washington			
University of Wisconsin	graduate residence credit requirement for masters is 16 credit	There are no limits on the number of credits that can be transferred except that the program's minimum graduate residence credit requirement can be satisfied only with courses taken as a Graduate student at UW–Madison	https://policy.wisc.edu/librar...
West Virginia University	no more than 12 hours in a master's degree; 6 in a certificate; PhD, no limit	We permit no more than 12 hours in a master's degree or 6 in a certificate that can come from other sources, including credits transferred from another institution. For PhD, we do not limit the credit hours, programs make those decisions. One group of post-master's certificates offered by nursing can have more transfer hours (certificate total length determined by accreditation, doesn't function as other grad certificates do).	Catalog: Multiple credentials, certificate rules. Registrar: Transfer credit Form.

Admissions GPA Requirements

Institution	Pertinent policy details	comments	website
University of Arizona	Degree Programs = 3.00	Expedited waiver for 2.9-2.99	hard to find- will work on this
Arizona State University	A minimum grade point average of 3.00 in the last 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of undergraduate coursework		p. 12
Baylor	Anything below a 3.0 must be reviewed by the Graduate School		
BYU	Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (a scholastic average of "B" for international degrees).	The requirement can be petitioned	p. 11
Indiana University	3.0 for master's		
Iowa State	A cumulative GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, or equivalent, in undergraduate work or in previous graduate work is expected.	Recommendations from graduate programs to admit applicants who do not meet this standard will be reviewed by the Graduate College	
Michigan State	3.0 for doctoral		
Ohio State	3.0 for master's and doctoral		
Purdue University	Applicants for a master's or doctoral degree program should have achieved a 3.0 (or equivalent) grade point index or higher from the institution where a baccalaureate degree or higher was awarded to be admitted without conditions of continued enrollment.		
Texas A&M	may have no minimum	Admission to graduate programs at Texas A&M University is determined by individual degree programs. The overall admission criteria for the University are based on the entire record of the applicant and availability of departmental resources.	https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/admission/
UC Davis	3.0 for master's and doctoral	To be eligible for admission, an applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 based on a 4-point scale (or the equivalent GPA on a different grading scale) at their undergraduate degree granting institution. If an applicant's undergraduate GPA does not meet this minimum requirement and the admissions committee wishes to recommend admission, the graduate admissions adviser may	

		submit a justification and request for exception to be reviewed by the Associate Dean for Graduate Students.	
UC Riverside			
UC San Diego			
UC Santa Barbara	To be considered for admission, you must have at least a B average (3.0 GPA)	To be considered for admission, you must have received a bachelor's degree or its equivalent from an accredited university prior to the quarter for which you seek admission, and have at least a B average (3.0 GPA) in your undergraduate coursework.	https://www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/how-apply/faqs-applicants#Requirements
UC Santa Cruz			
UCLA			
UNC Chapel Hill			
University of Buffalo			
University of California-Berkeley			
University of Central Florida	3.0 for master's and doctoral	Student's below a 3.0 can be admitted provisionally (that requires their first 9 hrs of graduate coursework must have a GPA of 3.0).	
University of Cincinnati	3.0, although programs may petition the Graduate College to admit a student with a lower undergraduate GPA with evidence of promise		
University of Colorado-Boulder			
University of Florida			
University of Houston		We do not have this articulated in university policy so is determined at the program level	
University of Illinois			
University of Iowa			
University of Kansas	no min GPA listed at institutional level - each program sets their own minimum		https://gradapply.ku.edu/apply
University of Maryland	3.0 minimum for both master's and doctoral.	We have a 3.0 minimum for both master's and doctoral. Units can set a higher minimum, but few do. We have an exception policy for	

		applicants below this minimum. Usually if it's close to 3.0, we approve. If it's 2.5 or lower, we take a closer look and dig in a bit more	
University of Miami			
University of Michigan			
University of Minnesota			
University of Missouri	Have earned at least a 3.0 Grade Point Average in the last 60 hours of baccalaureate coursework		https://gradschool.missouri.edu...
University of Oregon			
University of Pittsburgh	Guidance is a 3.0	No university-wide minimum.	
University of Rochester			
University of South Florida			
University of Southern California			
University of Texas-Austin			
University of Utah			
University of Virginia			
University of Washington			
University of Wisconsin	A minimum undergraduate grade-point average (GPA) of 3.00 on the equivalent of the last 60 credit hours (approximately two years of work) or a master's degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 is required		https://policy.wisc.edu/librar...
West Virginia University	2.75	The university minimum is 2.75 in bachelor's degree. Some programs have higher standards or also take graduate gpa into consideration.	Catalog: Admissions

Committee Composition

Institution	Pertinent policy details	comments	website
University of Arizona	The masters committee must include a minimum of three members, including at least two members of the Graduate Faculty	Master's students who are not completing a thesis are not required to report a committee to the Graduate College but must still complete the Master's/Specialist Committee Appointment form in GradPath to confirm their advisor.	https://grad.arizona.edu/policies/academic-policies/graduate-student-committee-service#graduate-committees
Arizona State University	Professional doctorate programs that do not require a dissertation may have different requirements for committee composition, including the minimum number of committee members. All professional doctorate programs require an approved faculty committee	Thesis committee rules: p23; PhD committee rules: p25; Professional doctoral committee rules: 29	
Baylor	The thesis examining committee will include three members of the Baylor Graduate Faculty: the committee chairperson, one other Graduate Faculty member from the student's home department, and a third member, or "outside" member.		https://graduate.baylor.edu/student-resources/completing-your-degree/dissertation-thesis-overview/committee-and-defense
BYU	For professional programs or other programs which have a culminating writing experience or a capstone experience, only one person serves as committee chair, no committee members are required (besides the chair)	Other committee policies: The chair must be from the student's major department. Master's degree committees must consist of at least three members (two members must have graduate faculty status at BYU and one may be petitioned). Doctoral committees must consist of at least four members (two members must have graduate faculty status at BYU and two members may be petitioned). If a student declares a minor, one member of the committee must be from the minor department.	p. 24
Indiana University			
Iowa State	It must include at least three members, including the major professor, from within the student's major or program. The committee must include member(s) from different fields of emphasis to ensure diversity of perspectives. An associate member of the graduate faculty may participate in the direction of a student's dissertation		https://www.grad-college.iastate.edu/handbook/chapter6-program

	<p>research as a co-major professor if a full member of the graduate faculty serves as a co-major professor and jointly accepts responsibility for direction of the dissertation. Non-ISU Associate Graduate Faculty Members may comprise no more than 34% of the committee of a doctoral student. The master's committee for a student completing a creative component of coursework only consists of at least one member of the graduate faculty as the major professor.</p>		
Michigan State	<p>An academic advisor for each master's student is assigned by the responsible unit in which the student takes the major work. The advisor alone, or in consultation with the student's advisory committee, will assist the student in planning a program satisfactory to the needs of the student and acceptable to the responsible unit. Changes in program plans may be made only with the approval of both the advisor and the responsible unit administrator, and, in some cases, the dean of the college</p>	<p>The examination for a Plan A master's degree is administered by an examining committee consisting of at least three Michigan State University regular faculty members (as defined in the Faculty Handbook). The examination or evaluation for a Plan B master's degree is administered in accordance with department or school and college rules by a committee consisting of at least two Michigan State University regular faculty members (as defined in the Faculty Handbook).</p>	
Ohio State	<p>The master's examination committee is composed of at least two graduate faculty members including the student's advisor.</p>		<p>Master's graduate committee (see Master's Examination Committee paragraph). Doctoral graduate committee (see Candidacy Examination Committee paragraph).</p>
Purdue University		<p>If the student's department requires a final examination for a non-thesis master's degree, the examining committee usually will be identical to the advisory committee, in which case, no additional request for appointment of a committee is required. If, however, the examining committee is to be different from the advisory committee (e.g. when a</p>	

		committee member is unable to serve), appointment of a committee of at least three graduate faculty must be requested in the usual manner. If the graduate program has been approved to use the One-Member Advisory Committee Flexibility option, but does not have approval to use the Alternative Graduation Criteria option, the Master's Final Examination Report Form (G.S. Form 7), must still be submitted	
Texas A&M	For a non-thesis degree- The student's advisory committee consists of the director of the on-campus MS-ENLD program and the Graduate Faculty representative,		https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/business/management/entrepreneurial-leadership-ms/#transfer-credit
UC Davis	The capstone report should be evaluated by at least two reviewers; and at least one of them should have no direct vested interest in the success of the student		
UC Riverside			
UC San Diego			
UC Santa Barbara	<p>The thesis committee is approved by and responsible to the Graduate Dean under policies established by the Graduate Council. The master's thesis committee consists of at least three UC Academic Senate members with a ladder faculty member (Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor) from the student's major department serving as chair or co-chair. At least two members of every thesis committee must be ladder faculty. At least two members of the committee must be Academic Senate Members from the student's UCSB major department. Recommendation of the appointment of additional members to the master's committee is at the discretion of the department.</p> <p>The doctoral committee consists of at least three UC Academic</p>	Service by faculty and other individuals on master's and doctoral committees is voluntary, and members may serve or discontinue service at their own discretion. It is the student's responsibility to form and nominate a valid committee appropriate for their degree objective.	https://www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/academic-services/committees

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UC Santa Cruz			
UCLA			
UNC Chapel Hill			
University of Buffalo			
University of California-Berkeley			
University of Central Florida		<p>Doctoral Committee: Minimally the committee consists of 4 members of the graduate faculty, 1 of which is required to be external.</p> <p>Masters Committee: Minimally the committee consists of 3 members of the graduate faculty.</p> <p>Capstone requirements are program dependent.</p>	https://www.ucf.edu/catalog/graduate/#/policy/r1lxld9t?bc=true&bcCurrent=Dissertation%20Requirements&bcGroup=3.%20Doctoral%20Program%20Policies&bcItemType=policies
University of Cincinnati	thesis committee composed of at least two UC faculty members, at least one of whom must be a member of the university graduate faculty.	UC Dissertation Committee Policy We are working on an update to this policy to make it more inclusive.	
University of Colorado-Boulder			
University of Florida			
University of Houston	A thesis/dissertation committee should include at least three members.	We only recently articulated this in policy (previously was at the discretion of the program)	https://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=53&navoid=19998
University of Illinois			
University of Iowa			

University of Kansas	Committees are composed of at least three (3) voting members All committee members must be members of the Graduate Faculty authorized to serve on master's examinations; The committee chair must also be authorized to chair master's examinations; and The majority of committee members must be tenured or tenure-track faculty in the candidate's department or program of study	there are exceptions to several master's degrees who also allow career/speciaty faculty with continuing appointments.	https://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/masters-oral-exam-committee-composition
University of Maryland	Doctoral Capstone Examining Committee Membership. The Committee must include a minimum of five members of the Graduate Faculty, at least three of whom must be Full Members or Associate Members whose primary academic affiliation is with the University. The oversight committee for masters of professional studies should be composed of a full member of the graduate faculty from the "core" area who will serve as the Graduate Director, a second member of the graduate faculty, a representative from the Graduate School, and an administrative manager	Note that a few years ago we separated PhD vs professional doctorates in our policies, which is where we see the biggest difference in the culminating experience requirement. We saw our first joint dissertation come out of our EdD program last year	https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/policies/masters-degrees-policies/ ; https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/policies/doctoral-degrees-policies/ ; https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/policies/professional-practice-doctoral-degrees-policies/
University of Miami			
University of Michigan			
University of Minnesota			
University of Missouri	Committee requirements for any non-thesis is also 3 people; we have a few programs for which an exception has been made to allow 2.		https://gradschool.missouri.edu...
University of Oregon			
University of Pittsburgh	each student must be assigned a major adviser, who, in consultation with the student, plans a program of study and research in accord with school and departmental guidelines.		https://catalog.uppitt.edu/content.php?catoid=226&navoid=23586
University of Rochester			
University of South Florida			

University of Southern California			
University of Texas-Austin			
University of Utah			
University of Virginia			
University of Washington			
University of Wisconsin	The committee must be comprised of at least one graduate faculty from the student's program		https://policy.wisc.edu/librar...
West Virginia University	Master's committees three, doctoral four. Capstone or culminating experiences have guidelines set by programs, but typically mimic the rules for master's committees	Graduate Faculty: Membership Roles	Catalog: Degree Regulations

Satisfactory Academic Progress

Institution	Pertinent policy details	comments	website
University of Arizona	<p>In addition to maintaining a minimum 3.00 grade-point average, students enrolled in a graduate degree program are required to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress toward degree completion. Each department has its own criteria for evaluation of a student's academic progress. Departmental policies on satisfactory academic progress are available from departments and should be available online</p>		https://grad.arizona.edu/policies/academic-policies/satisfactory-academic-progress
Arizona State University	<p>Maintain a minimum 3.00 for all GPAs (see definitions below). 2) Satisfy all requirements of the graduate program. 3) Satisfy the maximum time limit for graduation for the student's graduate program (six years for masters and certificates, ten years for doctoral), see "Time Limit" sections. 4) Successfully pass comprehensive exams, qualifying exams, foreign language exams, and the oral defense of the proposal/prospectus for the thesis or dissertation. 5) Successfully complete the culminating experience. 6) Remain continuously enrolled in their graduate program</p>		<p>General satisfactory academic progress policy: pg. 17; Specific satisfactory academic policies are found in each program handbook, which are reviewed by the Graduate College yearly.</p>
Baylor	<p>Graduate Students: Minimum 3.0 CGPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student must earn a minimum of 75% of the credit hours attempted during each enrollment period (fall, spring, winter, summer semesters, trimesters, or quarters) to be meeting SAP guidelines. • Satisfactory academic progress regarding the pace is determined by dividing the total number of credit hours successfully completed by the total number of credit hours attempted (including transfer 		https://onestop.web.baylor.edu/consumer-information/satisfactory-academic-progress

	<p>credit hours that have been accepted).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The maximum timeframe for program completion is 150% of the published program length. 		
BYU	<p>Students must complete their degrees in a timely matter (master's degree: 5 years; doctoral degree: 8 years) Students must continually be enrolled in coursework, completing internships, and/or be actively involved in scholarly or creative work.</p> <p>Departments will specify what constitutes satisfactory, marginal, and unsatisfactory progress and consequences of those ratings in their handbooks</p>	<p>Departments are required to formally monitor each graduate student's progress twice during the academic year at clearly designated times and inform the student in writing of his or her status. If marginal or unsatisfactory progress is noted, the student should be advised in writing what they need to do to demonstrate satisfactory progress. If a student receives a marginal and an unsatisfactory or two unsatisfactory ratings in succession, the university will: terminate the student's program at the conclusion of the semester OR Graduate Studies may be petitioned. Students may not receive two marginal ratings in successive semesters; failure to correct marginal progress is unsatisfactory.</p>	p. 25
Indiana University			
Iowa State	<p>Graduate students must maintain a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA at Iowa State University.</p> <p>Graduate students must pass at least 67% of the credit hours they attempt. The pace of progression is calculated by taking the number of credit hours completed, divided by the number of credit hours attempted.</p> <p>Graduate students must graduate before reaching 150% of their primary program of study published length to degree, as measured in attempted credit hours. The maximum timeframe is calculated by taking the student's published program length times 150%.</p>		https://financialaid.iastate.edu/managing-your-aid/sap/graduate-students/
Michigan State			
Ohio State	<p>To be in good academic standing in the Graduate School, a student must maintain a graduate cumulative cGPA of 3.0 or better in all graduate</p>		<p>Policy on good standing.</p>

	credit courses at The Ohio State University and must maintain reasonable progress toward Graduate School or graduate program requirements.		
Purdue University	A graduate student is expected to maintain a graduation index representing a B average (3.0/4.0 GPA) or better. Indices below this level are marked "less than good standing" on the transcript		https://catalog.purdue.edu/content.php?catoid=17&navoid=21844&ga=2.110476675.763756265.1733173322-230851461.1733173318#vi-general-academic-requirements-grade-appeals
Texas A&M			
UC Davis	Graduate students must maintain the following standards to be in good academic standing: Cumulative and term GPA of 3.0 or higher. Satisfactory progress in the graduate program, as determined by the Graduate Advisor, program degree requirements, and the thesis or dissertation chair (if applicable). No more than 8 combined units of Incomplete, Unsatisfactory, or F grades. Students who do not maintain a 3.0+ cumulative and term GPA, or who accumulate 9 or more units of I, U, or F grades will be classified on academic probation status until those deficiencies have been rectified		
UC Riverside			
UC San Diego			
UC Santa Barbara	3.0 GPA; timely progress toward degree; annual review required		https://www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/policy-procedure/academic-performance-and-progress
UC Santa Cruz			
UCLA			
UNC Chapel Hill			
University of Buffalo			

University of California-Berkeley			
University of Central Florida	<p>Maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.0 is required. Otherwise, students will be placed on probation.</p> <p>Unsatisfactory grades of 6 hrs, i.e., below B- or U, could be grounds for dismissal.</p> <p>Students must complete their degrees (master's and doctoral) within 7 years after matriculation.</p>		https://www.ucf.edu/catalog/graduate/#/policy/BJGNWBFYO?bc=true&bcCurrent=Academic%20Progress%20and%20Performance%20&bcGroup=2.%20General%20Graduate%20Policies&bcItemType=policies
University of Cincinnati			UC Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy
University of Colorado-Boulder			
University of Florida			
University of Houston			https://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=53&navoid=20014
University of Illinois			
University of Iowa			
University of Kansas	<p>For degree- and certificate-seeking students, a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher and, for non-degree-seeking students, a cumulative graduate GPA of 2.0 or higher. Graduate programs may have more stringent GPA requirements;</p>		https://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/good-academic-standing
University of Maryland	<p>In order to maintain good academic standing, every graduate student must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for all courses taken at the University</p>		https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/policies/academic-record/ (see Satisfactory Progress, and Good Standing sections)
University of Miami			
University of Michigan			
University of Minnesota			

University of Missouri	They must submit required forms on time and maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better		https://gradschool.missouri.ed...
University of Oregon			
University of Pittsburgh	Standards assessed to determine if a student is meeting SAP include: 1) Grade Point Average (GPA) Evaluation; 2) Pace of Progression; and 3) Maximum Timeframe.		https://financialaid.pitt.edu/satisfactory-academic-progress/policy/
University of Rochester			
University of South Florida			
University of Southern California			
University of Texas-Austin			
University of Utah			
University of Virginia			
University of Washington			
University of Wisconsin	In determining satisfactory progress, the Graduate School monitors the following: cumulative grade point average, incomplete grades, English as a second language for some international students, the Five Year Rule , the grades of students admitted on probationary status, enrollment in minimum required credits (underload), and unsatisfactory (U) grades		https://policy.wisc.edu/librar...
West Virginia University		Catalog: rules for probation, suspension, dismissal . GPA must be above 2.75 to be considered in good standing, programs can require higher GPA threshold. Programs have oversight regarding negative consequences for failure to meet program specific timelines or professional standards	

Credit for Prior Learning

Institution	Pertinent policy details	comments	website
University of Arizona			policy on Graduate Credit for Prior Learning.
Arizona State University	no policy at this time		
Baylor		We have just begun to work on guidelines	
BYU	<p>A student may also choose to transfer credit by successfully completing a challenge examination in the course(s). In rare circumstances, with the approval of the department and Graduate Studies, up to 10 semester hours may be certified by challenge examination. A student may wish to challenge a course on the Program of Study that covers material already mastered.</p> <p>A graduate student may challenge only credit specific to the graduate program to which he or she has been admitted. The committee chair determines the appropriate method used to ascertain currency</p>		p. 37
Indiana University			
Iowa State			
Michigan State			
Ohio State		We do not offer credit for prior learning that is non-credit bearing	
Purdue University			
Texas A&M			
UC Davis			
UC Riverside			
UC San Diego			
UC Santa Barbara	Your course is credit for work or volunteer experience, vocational or	does not appear to have this option	https://catalog.ucsb.edu/pages/OavlgV

	technical training (internship), or a personal enrichment course.		kkMA6DDckd3dVL chrome- extension://efaidnb mnnnibpcajpcglclefi ndmkaj/https://cour sedog-static- public.s3.us-east- 2.amazonaws.com/ ucsb/CourseTransf erabilityGuide_F25. pdf
UC Santa Cruz			
UCLA			
UNC Chapel Hill			
University of Buffalo			
University of California-Berkeley			
University of Central Florida		Generally no, We have one program (just starting) where we allow a series of specific workshops designed by UCF instructors, but taken through a public school system count as credit	
University of Cincinnati		We're currently working to establish credit for prior learning at the graduate level.	This is the undergraduate PLA policy.
University of Colorado-Boulder			
University of Florida			
University of Houston		does not have a policy	
University of Illinois			
University of Iowa			
University of Kansas	KU does not accept graduate transfer credit for institutes, workshops, or life/work experience. Credit will not transfer for courses that were previously counted toward the completion of an undergraduate or graduate degree.		https://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/graduate-credit
University of Maryland			We have a "Credit for Alternative Learning" policy that might be

			close: https://academiccatalog.umd.edu...
University of Miami			
University of Michigan			
University of Minnesota			
University of Missouri			
University of Oregon			
University of Pittsburgh		We do not, except in the Armed Services	
University of Rochester			
University of South Florida			
University of Southern California			
University of Texas-Austin			
University of Utah			
University of Virginia			
University of Washington			
University of Wisconsin		With respect to #5, credit by portfolio review was just approved last week and does not yet appear in the policy library.	https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1048
West Virginia University		We have policies, but they are largely utilized in undergraduate degrees	Registrar: https://registrar.wvu.edu/transfer/credit-for-prior-learning

Grade Replacement Opportunity

Institution	Pertinent policy details	website
University of Arizona		
Arizona State University		
Indiana University		
Michigan State		
Ohio State		
Purdue University		
Texas A&M		
UC Davis		
UC Riverside		
UC San Diego		
	<p>A student may repeat only graduate-level courses in which a grade of B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F, or U was awarded. Such courses may be repeated for letter or passed/not passed grades if the courses are so offered and if the student is eligible for that option. In no case, however, shall an NP or U grade replace an earlier letter grade in the computation of the grade-point average. A course in which an NP or U has been received may be repeated on a letter-grade basis if so offered.</p> <p>Degree credit for a course will be given only once, but the grade assigned at each enrollment will be permanently recorded on the student's transcript.</p> <p>In computing the grade-point average of a graduate student who repeats courses in which grades of B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, or F were received, only the most recently earned grade and grade points in each course will be used for the first 16 units repeated (unless the new grade is U). In the case of repetitions beyond the 16 units, both initial and repeated grades will be used in the computation of the grade-point average. All grades, however, remain a part of the student's permanent record.</p> <p>Since many graduate courses are routinely repeated for credit or to earn a better grade, graduate students must consult their academic department if they wish to repeat a class for the purpose of substituting the second grade for the first.</p>	
UC Santa Barbara		https://catalog.ucsb.edu/pages/21vV9Th2ZcY3WTIpHyCL
UC Santa Cruz		
UCLA		
UNC Chapel Hill		
University of Buffalo		
University of California-Berkeley		

University of Colorado-Boulder		
University of Florida		
University of Illinois		
University of Iowa		
University of Kansas	<p>For degree- and certificate-seeking graduate students, all graduate-level courses will be included in the calculation of the cumulative graduate GPA.</p> <p>Grades of C- and below will affect the calculation of the cumulative graduate GPA. The grades of P, S, SP, LP, NP, U, and I, for which no numerical equivalents are defined, are excluded from the GPA calculation.</p>	
University of Maryland		
University of Miami		
University of Michigan		
University of Minnesota		
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University of Rochester		
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University of Southern California		
University of Texas- Austin		
University of Utah		
University of Virginia		
University of Washington		
University of Wisconsin		