

The background of the slide is a dark, semi-transparent image of the Purdue University clock tower. The tower is a multi-story brick structure with a prominent clock face on its lower section and a pointed roof with a spire at the top. The text is overlaid on this image.

PURDUE
UNIVERSITY

The Graduate School
Advancing to a Higher Degree

Partnerships: Joint and Dual Degrees Within and Between Domestic Universities

Purdue University
Graduate Programs

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Joint and Dual Degrees

Pre-Program Approvals / Restrictions

- Student Registration
- Financial Aid
- Institutional / Graduate Council Policies
- Proposal to the Graduate Council

Structured Approach to Combined / Dual Degree Programs – A Formal Process

- A. Concept Paper
- B. Proposal
- C. Action and Institutional Set-Up

Concept Paper

- Addressed to the Dean of the Graduate School from
Head(s) of Academic Units and Relevant Academic Deans
- Content
 - Names of Degrees / Proposing Units / Contact Persons
 - Rationale (Impacts and Benefits)
 - Relationship to Similar Graduate Program in the Purdue System
 - Resource Needs
- Action

Proposal

- Name of the Degree(s) and Participating Units
- Academic Unit(s) and Institutional Approvals
- Content
 - Rationale and Need Impacts and Benefits
 - Objectives
 - Program Structure
 - Admission Requirements and Process
 - Degree Requirements
 - Scope / Size of the Program
 - Administrative Structure
 - Learning Outcomes
- Sustainability and Impact on the Universities / States / Regions
- Staffing and Infrastructure

Action and Institutional Set-Up

- Administrative / Graduate Council Action
- University Registrar
- Financial Aid
- Academic Unit(s)

Combined-Degree Programs

- Joining Curricula of Existing Bachelors or Professional Degrees and an Existing Master's Degree within the Purdue System
- Double Count 9 Hours of Elective Graduate Courses taken as Undergraduate & Graduate Credit
- Recruitment Strategy
- Financial Advantages
- Admission / Graduate Committee / Plan of Study
- Result: Two Degrees, One Institution

Dual – Degree Programs

- Combining an Existing Purdue master's Degree with an Existing Post Baccalaureate Professional Degree at Another Institution
- Joint Admissions Committee
- Double Count 9 Hours of Graduate Courses
- Purdue Degree Awarded First
- Two Degrees – One Institution on Each

Preliminary Questions

- Accommodation – Do Institutional and Graduate School Policies Accommodate Joint and/or Dual Degrees?
- Persuasive Answers to Basic Questions
 - Market Demand
 - Student Interest
 - Sustainability
 - Impacts and Benefits
 - Mutual Benefits to Partners
 - Rationale and Objectives
 - Maintain Quality of the Degrees
 - Impact on Pre-Existing Degree Programs
 - Faculty and Institutional Approvals
 - Combining Degree Programs – Strategic or Freelance