

# ACCELERATED MASTER'S PROGRAM

The Accelerated Master's Program (AMP) is intended for gifted and highly motivated candidates for bachelor's degrees at The University of Alabama whose objectives include degrees at the master's or doctoral level. The format of the AMP ensures that the integrity and rigor of both the undergraduate and the graduate degree are maintained.

It is advised that prospective AMP students meet with the Graduate Program director for their prospective AMP at the beginning of their junior year. Programs may have specific coursework requirements and graduate course prerequisites for which an AMP student must be prepared. Students may start the AMP once they have earned 90 or more undergraduate hours. Typically, this means that an AMP student will apply to the Graduate School in the semester in which they are earning their 90<sup>th</sup> undergraduate hour.

Each program will set its minimum undergraduate GPA requirement for admission to the AMP. By default, the GPA minimum will be a 3.7 institutional GPA. However, for programs whose 75<sup>th</sup> percentile institutional GPA is below 3.7 (averaged over the prior five years for program graduates), the threshold may be set at that 75<sup>th</sup> percentile, but not lower than 3.3 GPA. Programs will be informed of their 75<sup>th</sup> percentile threshold every five years (beginning in 2027), in order that they may reassess their GPA cutoff for admission. Program admissions requirements are listed below. In addition to meeting the minimum requirements for the AMP, applicants must meet the regular requirements for admission to the Graduate School and to that graduate program. Applicants to the Accelerated Master's Program (AMP) are not required to submit an admission test score except in the following cases: 1) AMP programs in the Manderson Graduate School of Business (except Management Information Systems and MS Applied Statistics) and 2) AMP programs in the College of Education. An AMP student cannot be admitted under the "Permission to Continue" provision.

Once admitted, an AMP student is approved to attempt up to the maximum number of graduate credit hours allowed to be double counted towards both the bachelor's and graduate degrees as specified by each program (listed below). This may not exceed 12 hours in any program. Of the maximum allowable double counted hours, 3 hours can come from a minor. Undergraduates taking graduate-level courses must meet the same academic standards as the graduate students in the course. Although AMP students will typically complete the requirements for the bachelor's degree prior to the graduate degree, such a program may involve simultaneous completion of requirements for both graduate and bachelor's degrees. An AMP student who completes the bachelor's degree prior to the graduate degree does not have to reapply to Graduate School to continue in their graduate program.

AMP students are classified as undergraduates until they have been awarded an undergraduate degree. It is only upon completion of the undergraduate degree that AMP students become eligible for Graduate School funding (e.g., travel funding and fellowships) or graduate assistantships.

The following programs currently are approved to participate in AMP. New College students can participate in any of the programs listed below if they have the approval of both the director of New College and the Graduate Program Director. A student may enroll in only one AMP.

Department	Undergraduate Major	Graduate Program	Dual-counted Hours Allowed	Minimum Overall GPA for Admission	Length for Completion (Years)
Advertising and Public Relations	Advertising, MA Public Relations	Advertising and Public Relations	12	3.7	5
Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics	Aerospace Engineering	MS Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics	12	3.7	5
Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics	Mechanical Engineering	MS Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics	9	3.7	5
American Studies	American Studies	MA American Studies	12	3.7	5
Anthropology	Anthropology	MA Anthropology	12	3.75	5
Art and Art History	Art History	MA Art History	12	3.7	5
Biological Sciences	Biology	MA Biological Sciences	12	3.7	5
Biological Sciences	Biology	MS Biology	12	3.7	5
Chemical and Biological Engineering	Chemical Engineering	MS Chemical Engineering	12	3.7	5
Chemical and Biological Engineering	Chemical Engineering	PhD Chemical Engineering	12	3.7	7
Chemistry and Biochemistry	Chemistry	MS Chemistry	12	3.7	5
Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering	Civil Engineering	MS Civil Engineering	9	3.7	5
Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering	Environmental Engineering	MS Environmental Engineering	9	3.7	5
Communications Studies	Communications Studies	MA Communications Studies	10	3.7	5

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Computer Science	Computer Science	MS Computer Science	12	3.7	5
Computer Science	Cyber Security	MS Computer Science	12	3.7	5
Consumer Sciences	Consumer Sciences	MS Consumer Sciences	12	3.7	5
Criminology and Criminal Justice	Criminology and Criminal Justice	MS Criminology and Criminal Justice	9	3.7	5
Curriculum and Instruction	Mathematics (Mathematics Education Concentration)	MA Secondary Education	12	3.7	5
Economics, Finance and Legal Studies	Economics	MA Quantitative Economics	12	3.7	5
Economics, Finance and Legal Studies	Economics	MS Finance	12	3.7	5
Economics, Finance and Legal Studies	Finance	MS Finance	12	3.7	5
Economics, Finance and Legal Studies	Finance	MA Quantitative Economics	12	3.7	5
Electrical and Computer Engineering	Computer Engineering	MS Electrical Engineering	6	3.7	5
Electrical and Computer Engineering	Electrical Engineering	MS Electrical Engineering	6	3.7	5
English	English	MA English	12	3.7	5
Geography and the Environment	Environmental Science	MS Geography	12	3.7	5
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Geological Sciences	Geology	MS Geology	12	3.7	5
Health Science	Public Health	MPH Health Education and Promotion	12	3.7	5
History	History	MA History	12	3.75	5
Human Development	Human Development	MS Human Development	12	3.7	5

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Human Nutrition and Hospitality Management	Food and Nutrition	MS Human Nutrition	12	3.7	5
Human Nutrition and Hospitality Management	Hospitality Management	MS Hospitality Management	12	3.7	5
Information Systems, Statistics and Management Science	Mathematics (Statistics and Optimization Concentration)	MS Applied Statistics	12	3.7	5
Information Systems, Statistics and Management Science	Management Information Systems	MS Management Information Systems	12	3.7	5
Information Systems, Statistics and Management Science	Operations Management	MS Operations Management	12	3.7	5
Journalism and Creative Media	Creative Media	MA Journalism & Media Studies	12	3.7	5
Journalism and Creative Media	News Media	MA Journalism & Media Studies	12	3.7	5
Kinesiology	Kinesiology (Exercise Science Concentration)	MA Kinesiology	12	3.7 (Must have taken or be enrolled in KIN 303)	5
Management	Management	MA Management	12	3.7	5
Marketing	Marketing	MS Marketing	12	3.7	5
Mathematics	Mathematics	MA Mathematics	12	3.75	5
Mechanical Engineering	Aerospace Engineering and Mechanics	MS Mechanical Engineering	6	3.7	5
Mechanical Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	MS Mechanical Engineering	9	3.7	5
Mechanical Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	PhD Mechanical Engineering	9	3.7	7

Metallurgical and Materials Engineering	Metallurgical Engineering	MS Metallurgical Engineering	9	3.7	5
Modern Languages and Classics	Foreign Languages and Literature (German Track)	MA German	12	3.7	5
Modern Languages and Classics	Foreign Languages and Literature (French Track)	MA Romance Languages - French	12	3.7	5
Modern Languages and Classics	Spanish	MA Romance Languages - Spanish	12	3.7	5
Physics and Astronomy	Physics	MS Physics	12	3.75	5
Political Science	International Studies	MA Political Science	12	3.75	5
Political Science	International Studies	MPA Public Administration	12	3.75	5
Political Science	Political Science	MA Political Science	12	3.75	5
Political Science	Political Science	MPA Public Administration	12	3.75	5