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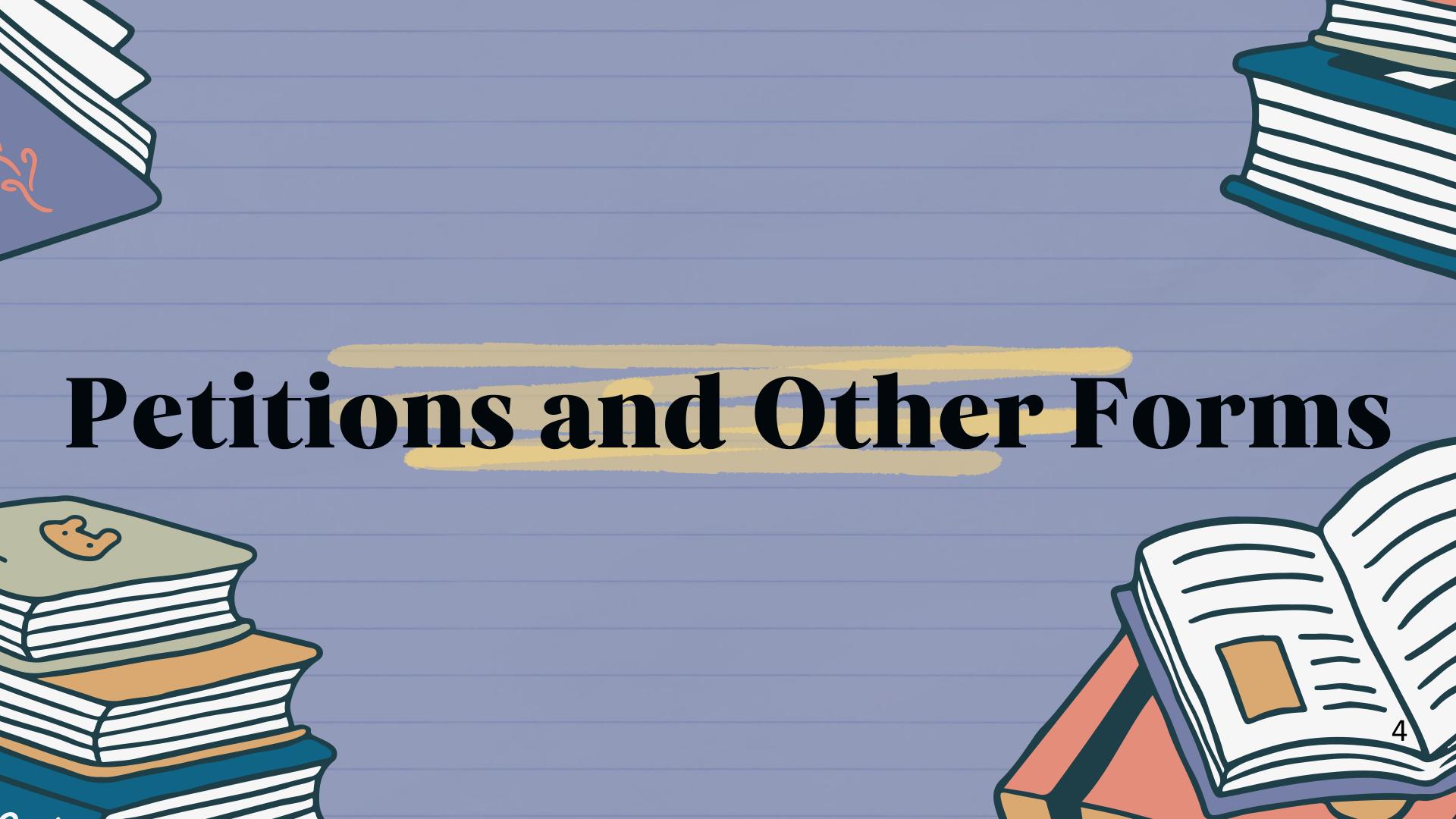
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Excellence, innovation, and creativity are abundant at our University. A prime example of this is UTSA's recent ranking as one of the best young universities in the nation by Times Higher Education, UTSA has also been recognized as a Global Leader and highly ranked the best University for Veterans by Military Times and "Best of the Best" U.S. universities for Hispanics, African-Americans and Females by the Hispanic Network Magazine.

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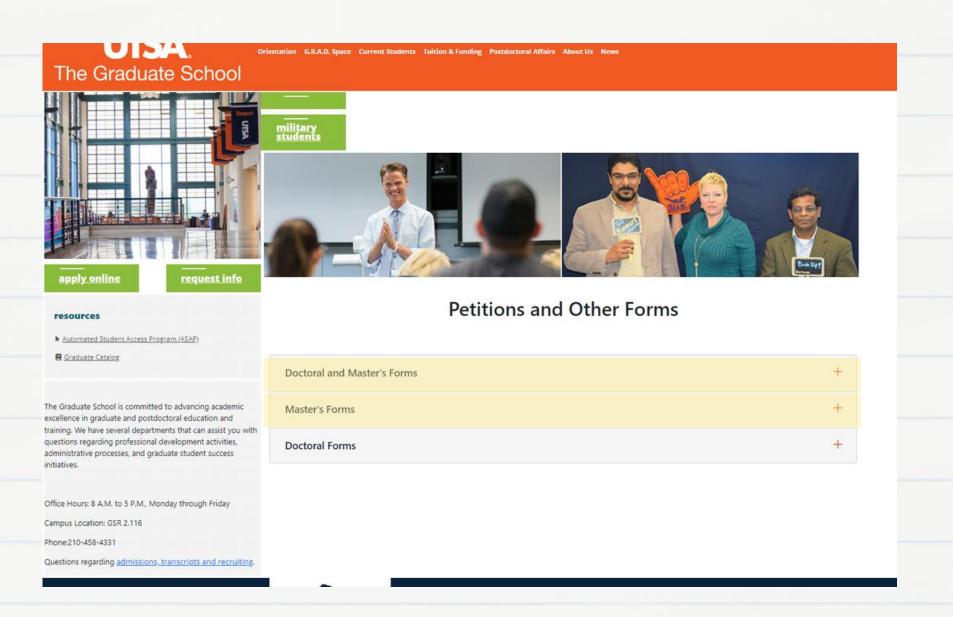
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Petitions and Other Forms

Doctoral and Master's Forms

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Assistantships: Students requesting reduced course load or on academic probation must submit this petition to hold an assistantship.

<u>Course(s) Exceeding Time Limitation</u>: This form is required to approve courses that have exceeded either the Master's (6 year) or Doctoral (8 year) time limitation.

Graduate Student Course Add Form: Doctoral/Master's student to add a course for any of the following: (1) ASAP registration has closed, requiring Department Chair and Instructor signature. (2) One Month after Fall/Spring Semester Census date has passed requiring Departmental, Academic College, and Graduate School Approval. (3)10 Days after Summer Term Census requiring Departmental, Academic College, and Graduate School Approval. (4) Student is unable to add Undergraduate course for Undergraduate credit due to Graduate level restriction. (5) Class does not have an active Waitlist. (6) Prepayment has not been received prior to Census date.

<u>Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements</u>: This form must be completed in order to petition to waive university wide requirements.

<u>Voluntary Withdrawal from a Graduate Degree Program</u>: This form should be completed by the student when he or she wishes to withdraw permanently from a graduate degree program. Once this request is approved, the student must reapply and be readmitted to UTSA to resume graduate enrollment.

Master's Forms

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<u>Certification of Completion of Thesis Requirements for Master's Degree</u>: The department will complete this form and route to The Graduate School for approval once the student has met all requirements to graduate. This form must be received by The Graduate School no later than the final deadline to submit a thesis.

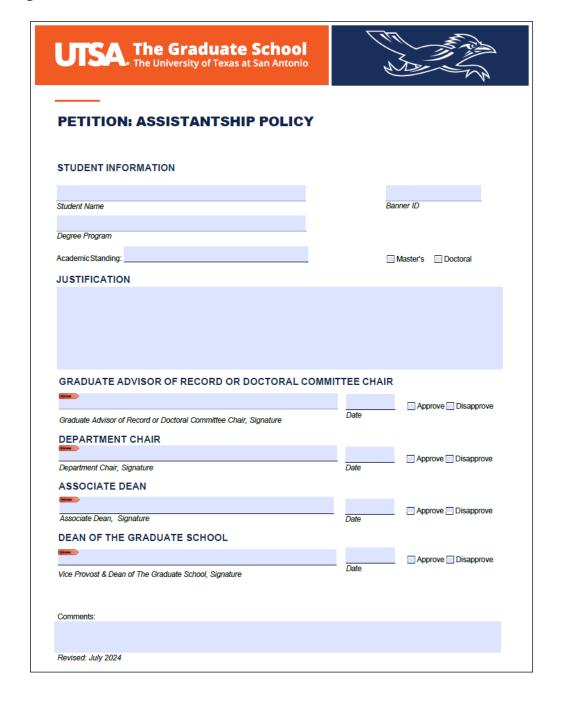
<u>Transfer of Credit towards Master's Degree</u>: Students are expected to complete all coursework at UTSA. Exceptions require completion of this form and must meet conditions for transfer of credit.

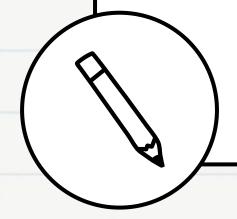
Petition: Assistantship Policy (ASST)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: November 1st
 - Spring: April 1st
 - Summer: July 1st
- <u>ASST</u> is needed when Graduate Student(s) hold an assistantship and are requesting to be under enrolled in **6 SCH for Fall and Spring** semesters. The student <u>must be enrolled in 1 SCH</u> to hold an appoitment.
- ASST form will need to be completed if the student is on <u>Academic Probation</u>.
- Under enrollment in the <u>student's graduating semester</u> is a <u>one-time approval</u> <u>request</u>.
- <u>International students</u> will also need to confirm with **Global Affairs** that they are allowed to be under enrolled based on the type of Visa they hold.

Policy on Assistantships HOP Policy on Assistantships



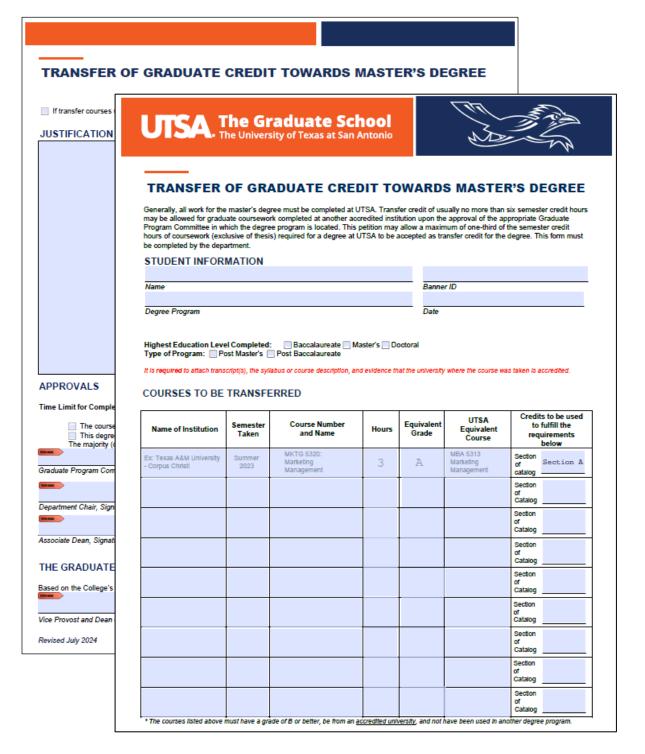


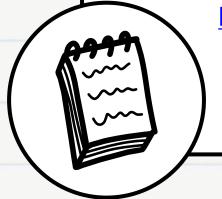
Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards Master's Degree (TRANS)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: November 1st
 - Spring: April 1st
 - Summer: July 1st
- TRANS forms are utilized when the department would like to transfer in graduate level courses to apply to the student's catalog.
- Transcripts and Syllabi/Course Descriptions **must** be attached to the form before moving forward.
- Course name, number, and grade should appear <u>exactly</u> as it does on the transcript.
- Courses that were used <u>towards another degree</u> <u>cannot</u> be transferred and applied to the student's current POS.
- Only graduate level courses earned at a "**B**" or higher qualify for transfer.

Policy on Transfer of Credit: Graduate Catalog Policy



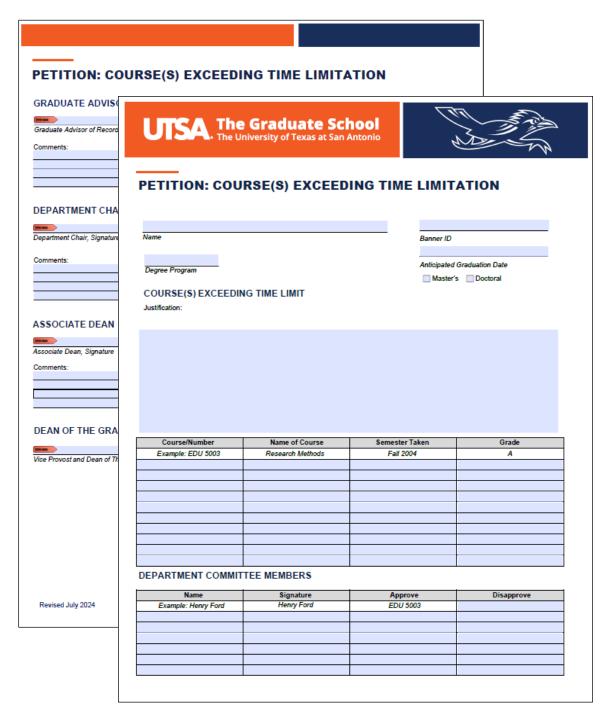


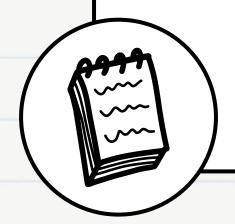
Petition: Course(s) Exceeding Time Limitation (TIME)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: November 1st
 - Spring: April 1st
 - Summer: July 1st
- TIME form is used when the course exceeds the below time limit:
 - **Masters** 6 years
- Course name, number, title, semester taken, and grade earned should match the Banner SHACRSE screen.
- The department will need to provided the **anticipated semester** and **year** of when the student will graduate.

Policy on Master's Time Limitation: Graduate Catalog Policy



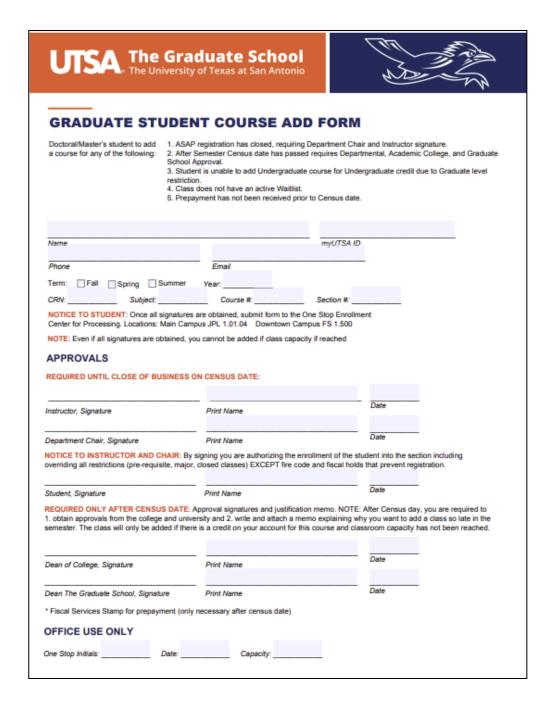


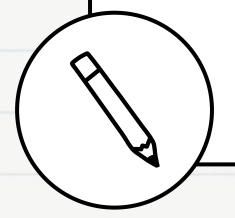
Graduate Student Course Add Form (ADD)

Quick Points

- Student will need to complete form and department will route to the college for Graduate School approval.
- ADD forms are sent for Graduate School approval if the **census** date has passed and the student needs to be added to a course or if the student was dropped for non-payment.
 - A letter from either the student or the department must be attached explaining why they would like to be added to the course.
- ADD forms are also used if the student is are trying to register for a course, but are unable to do so due to level restrictions.

Policy on Late Registration: Student Policy





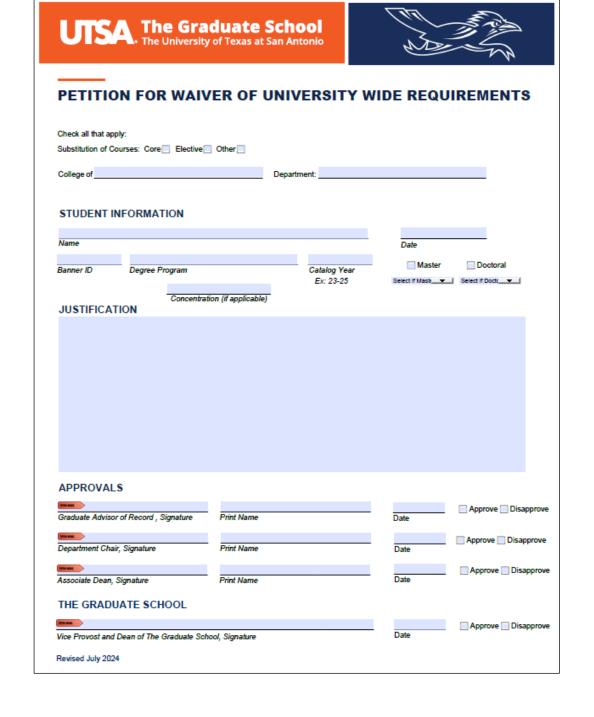
Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: November 1st
 - Spring: April 1st
 - Summer: July 1st
- <u>PET</u> form(s) are submitted by the department who would like to request exceptions to student, certificate policies, master's policies, or to student's catalog.
- The form will need to indicate if the student is **thesis** or **non-thesis** and, if applicable, the **concentration** of their degree.
- It is imperative that the correct catalog is listed on the form and should be listed in the following format:
 - Catalog Year
 - Example 1: 23-25
 - Example 2: 2023 -2025

Current Catalog

Previous Catalogs





Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET) General Policies (Other)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- If petitioning for any <u>policy</u> found in Certificate
 Program Regulations or Master's Degree
 Regulations, the justification must be able to answer the following questions:
 - What does the policy state?
 - What did the student do instead?
 - Why did the student pursue this course of action?
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.

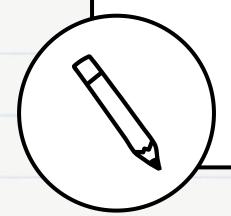
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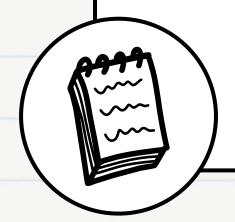
Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET) Core Course Substitution

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- If petitioning for any <u>core course(s) substitution</u> listed in the **catalog**, the justification must include the following information:
 - Both of the courses abbreviations, numbers, and course titles.
 - Why did the student not take the required course?
 - Was the core course content covered in the requested substituted course?
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.

A. Required courses (27 semester credit hours):		
CHE 5263	Advanced Analytical Chemistry	
CHE 5313	Advanced Biochemistry	
CHE 5453	Advanced Inorganic Chemistry	
CHE 5643	Advanced Organic Chemistry	
CHE 5843	Advanced Physical Chemistry	
CHE 5981	Graduate Seminar in Chemistry (repeated for a total of 3 hours) ¹	

Example of Core Courses in Catalog



Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET) Prescribed Elective Substitution

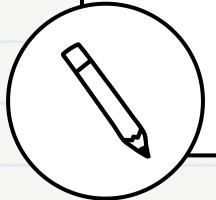
Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- If petitioning for any <u>prescribed elective course(s)</u> <u>substitution</u> listed in the **catalog**, the justification must include the following information:
 - State which part of the POS this will impact.
 - The course(s) abbreviation(s), number(s), and course title(s).
 - Why the student was unable to take any of the prescribed elective courses?
 - If the POS states that these courses cover a particular topic/theme, the justification will also need to indicate that the content of the substituted course will also cover this topic/theme.
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.

- 2. Prescribed electives (12 semester credit hours):
 - a. ENG literary study from before 1700, at least 3 semester credit hours must be ENG 5943 Topics in Major English Authors (minimum 3 semester credit hours)
- b. ENG literary study between 1700 and 1900 (minimum 3 semester credit hours)
- c. ENG literary study after 1900 (minimum 3 semester credit hours)

At least 3 hours of the above prescribed electives must include the study of literatures of the U.S., 3 of which must include the study of multiethnic literatures of the U.S. after 1900.

Example of Prescribed Elective Courses in Catalog



Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET) Elective Substitution

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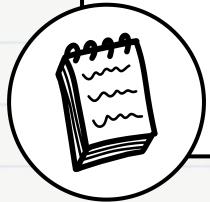
- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- If petitioning for any <u>elective course(s) substitution</u> listed in the **catalog**, the justification must include the following information:
 - The course(s) abbreviation(s), number(s), and course title(s).
 - State which course or part of the POS that will the substitution will apply to.
 - Why the student has taken this course instead.
- If the catalog states verbiage that is or similar to "...substitution as approved by program director, GAR, PhD Committee, etc.", then a PET is **not needed**.
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.

B. Electives:

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Students must complete at least 12 semester credit hours of additional eligible, organized graduate courses in the Department of Computer Science.

Example of Elective Courses in Catalog. PET would be needed if the student has taken any courses outside of Computer Science Department.



Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET)

Cohort Petition

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- <u>Cohort Petition(s)</u> can only be used when it effects **10 or more students who follow different catalogs** and are impacted by the same catalog/policy. The justification must be able to answer the questions below:
 - What course(s) or portion of the catalog is effected?
 - Why is this no longer being offered or provided?
 - What is the alternative that the students will need to do in order to fulfill this portion of their catalog?
- A **list** with the students <u>first name</u>, <u>last name</u>, <u>banner ID</u>, and <u>catalog</u> <u>year</u> will need to be attached to the PET.
- If there are <u>less than 10 students</u> who are effected by a policy/catalog, <u>individual PET(s)</u> will need to be completed with their student information.
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.



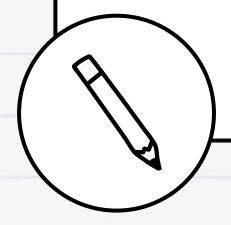
Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET)

Blanket Petition

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Blanket petition(s) can only be used when it effects an **one entire catalog**. The justification must be able to answer the questions below:
 - What course(s) or portion of the catalog is affected?
 - Why is this no longer being offered or provided?
 - What is the alternative that the students will need to do in order to fulfill this portion of the catalog?
- If there are a few students who follow different catalogs, but it does
 not specifically impact one catalog, either individual PET(s) or
 Cohort PET(s) will need to be completed.
- The justification will be **completed by the department** and not the student.



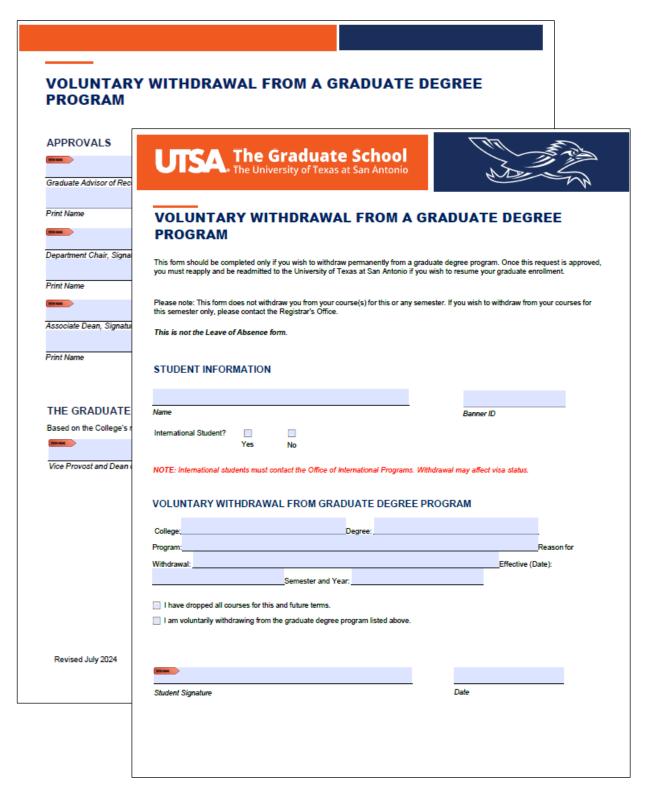


Voluntary Withdrawal From a Graduate Degree Program (WITH)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: November 1st
 - Spring: April 1st
 - Summer: July 1st
- <u>WITH</u> form are submitted by the department for students who would like to voluntarily withdraw from their program and UTSA.
- The student must either **not be enrolled or withdrawn from all course(s)** before moving forward for processing.
- Once the request has been approved it is a **permanent request**. The student would have to <u>reapply to their graduate program</u> if they are interested in pursuing it at a later time.

Policy on Withdrawal from the University: Student Policy



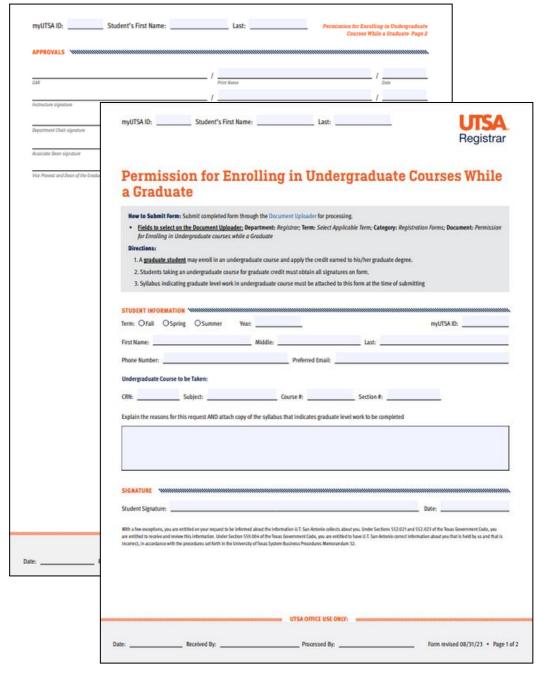


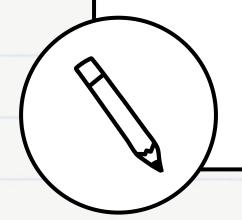
Permission for Enrolling in Undergraduate Courses While a Graduate (PEUC)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- <u>PEUC</u> form(s) are submitted by the department for students who would like to take an undergraduate course and earn it for graduate credit to apply it to their catalog.
- A <u>course syllabus</u>, with clear indication of **additional course work or graduate level course work** which will be completed to earn the course for graduate credit <u>must</u> be attached to the form.
- If the student would like to be enrolled in an undergraduate course and **not** receive graduate credit, then an <u>ADD form</u> will need to be submitted.

Policy on Enrolling in Undergrad Courses: Student Policy



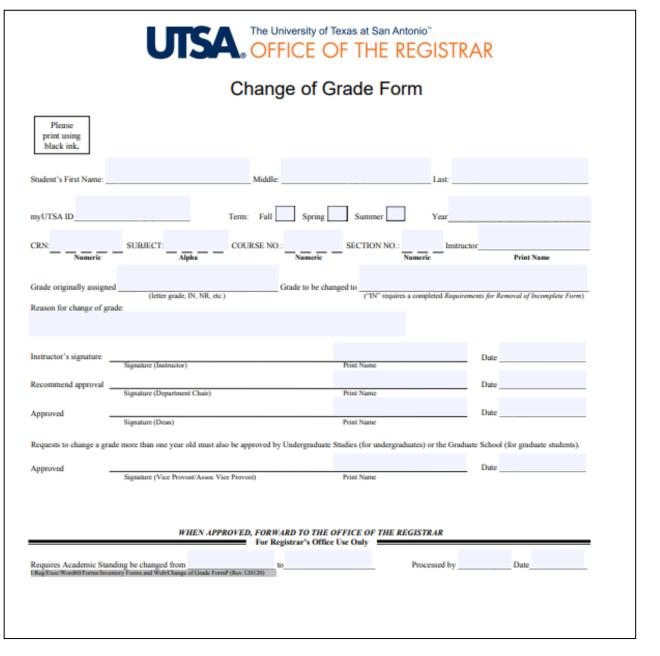


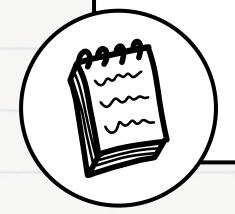
Change of Grade Form (COG)

Quick Points

- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- COG form must be requested through Office of the Registrar.
- COG(s) forms only need <u>Graduate School approval</u> once they have <u>exceeded</u> <u>an academic year</u>.
 - The justification will need to indicate why it took over a year to complete the course work.
 - The entire text of the justification will need to fit within the "Reason for the Change of Grade" section **without** having to scroll/expand the text box or add a letter with the explanation if additional room is needed.

Policy on Change of Grades: Student Policy





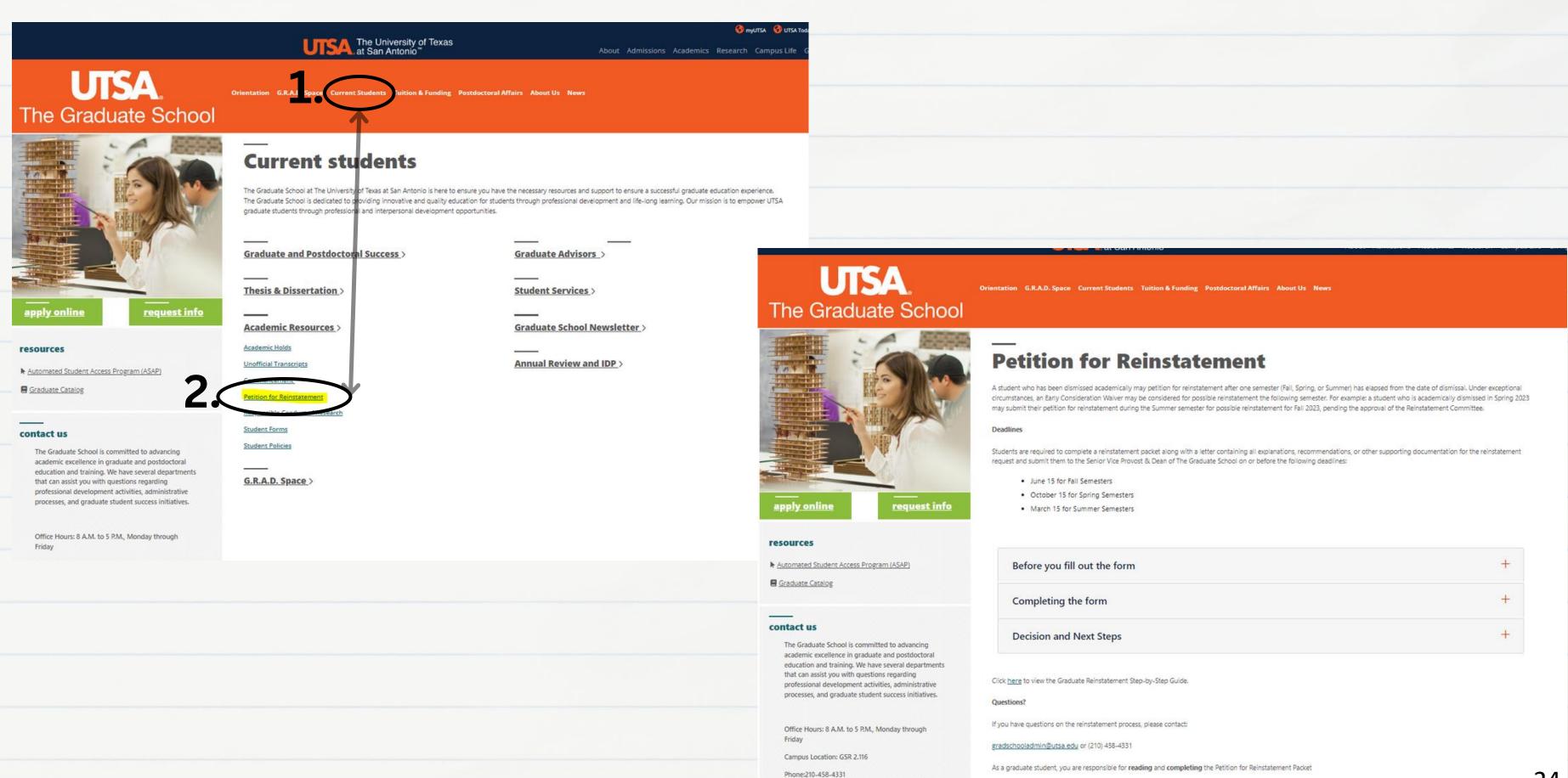


Petition for Reinstatement





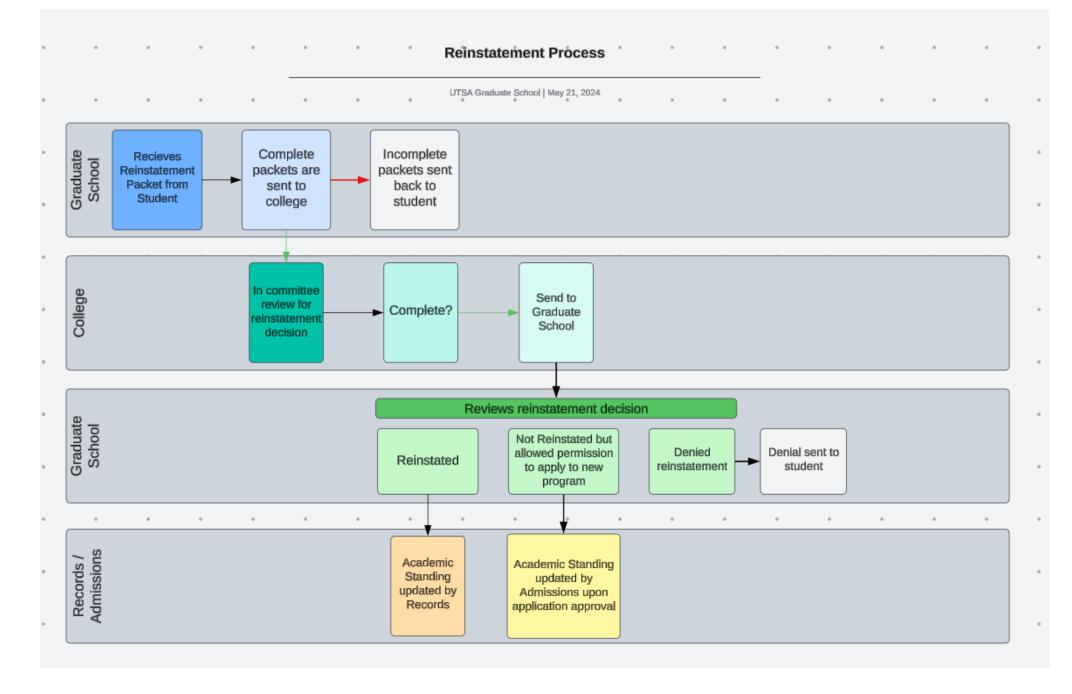
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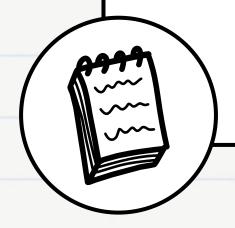


Petition for Reinstatement

Quick Points

- Student must completed the packet and route to The Graduate School.
- Workflow Process
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: June 15th
 - Spring: October 15th
 - Summer: March 15th





The Graduate Council Graduate Faculty

The Graduate Faculty (as defined by the Gradudate Council)

	Graduate Faculty	Graduate Faculty Scholars	Special Member of the Graduate Faculty	Graduate Faculty Adjoint
Who is it?	Professor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor	Professor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor	FTT (Fixed-term track) and Faculty Members from other institutions	Faculty Members from other institutions with an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
What can I do?	• Sole chairing thesis for masters students	 Teaching graduate courses Can serve on thesis and dissertation committees, and chair on thesis for Master's students 	With a Special Membership appointment you may teach graduate courses or serve on graduate committees.	Programs with an MOU with faculty from another institution are eligible to be Members of the Graduate Faculty. With an Adjoint Membership appointment you may teach graduate courses, serve on graduate committees, and chair thesis and dissertation committees.
Committee Role	No membership needed to serve/chair a committee	No membership needed to serve on a committee	With a Special Membership you may co- chair a committee.	With an Adjoint Membership you may sole chair a committee.
Term	Will remain in effect until the next academic program review	Graduate Faculty Scholars may request a vote for Graduate Faculty status annually	3-year term	5-year term



I am UTSA Faculty. Do I Need a Special Membership?

UTSA Faculty Titles				
Does not need a special membership	Tenure/Tenure-Track (TT) Academic Titles • Professor • Associate Professor • Assistant Professor			
Needs a special membership	Fixed-Term Track (FTT) Academic Titles • Professor of Instruction • Professor for Research • Professor of Practice • Lecturer • Clinical Professor • Full list of Fixed-Term Track Titles: https://www.utsa.edu/hop/chapter2/2.02.html People outside UTSA or retired UTSA faculty			



Special Membership (SM) Application

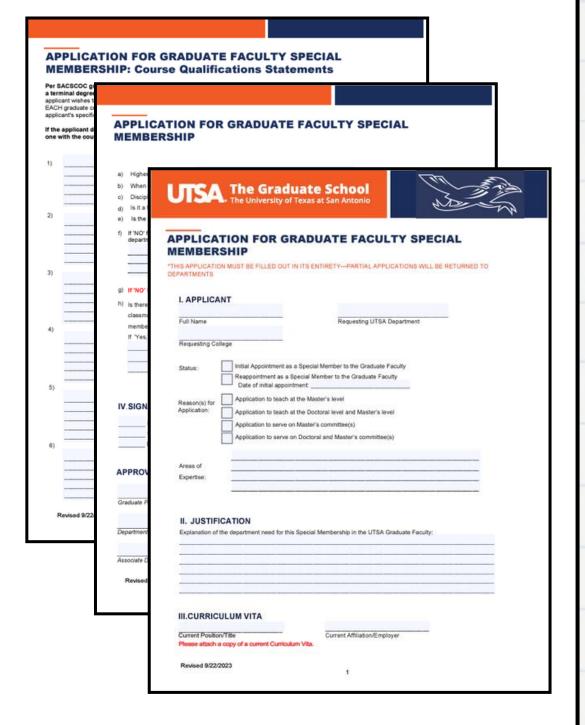
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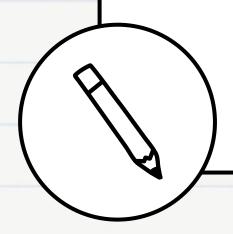
- Must be completed and submitted by the department.
- Deadlines are every 15th of the following months:
 - Fall: August-November
 - October 15th: Deadline for Fall Graduates
 - Spring: January-April
 - **February 15th**: Deadline for Spring Graduates
 - April 15th: Deadline for Summer Graduates
- You need a Special Membership if you **do not hold** one of the following Graduate Faculty titles:
 - Professor
 - Assistant Professor
 - Associate Professor

Information on Committee Composition: Graduate Catalog Policy

Information on Adjoint/ Special Memberships: Graduate Council Bylaws

Information on Graduate Faculty Titles: Handbook of Operating Procedures (HOP)





Adjoint Membership (AM) Application

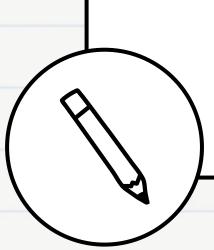
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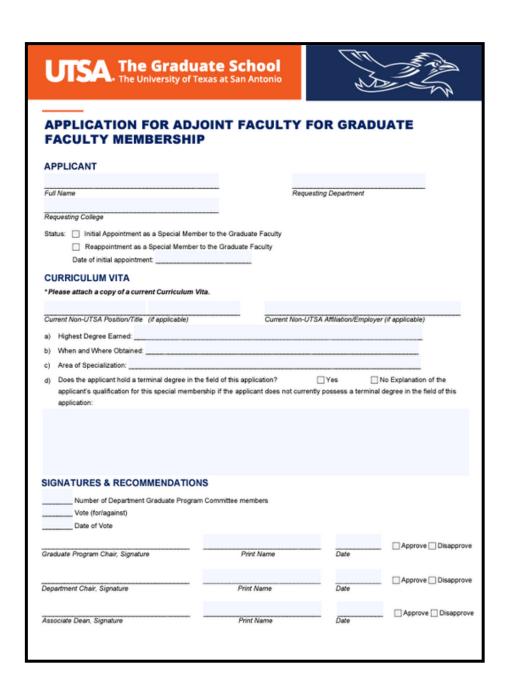
- Must be completed and submitted by the department.
- Deadlines are every 15th of the following months:
 - Fall: August-November
 - October 15th: Deadline for Fall Graduates
 - Spring: January-April
 - **February 15th**: Deadline for Spring Graduates
 - April 15th: Deadline for Summer Graduates
- You need an Adjoint Membership if you are from a program with a **Memorandum** of Understanding (MOU) with another institution.



Information on Adjoint/ Special Memberships: Graduate Council Bylaws

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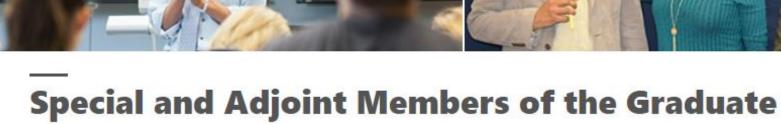
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Questions regarding admissions, transcripts and recruiting



How do department's request special or adjoint membership for a faculty member?

- 1. An application for Special Membership or an application for Adjoint Membership must be filled out and current Vita must be attached.
- 2. The completed application must be submitted by department in which the applicant would like to be a Special or Adjoint member.

Approval Process:

Faculty

- 1. The application must be approved by the Graduate Program Chair, the Department Chair, and the Associate Dean of the college.
- 2. After all the signatures have been gathered at the department and college level, the form must be routed to the Graduate School.
- 3. The Graduate Council's Membership committee will vote on the application, and if it is approved by the majority of the committee, it will go before the council at the next Graduate Council meeting for final approval.
- If the council approves the application at their monthly meeting, a monthly membership list will be updated here: <u>List of Approved Special and Adjoint</u>
 Members
- Application Deadlines
- Dates of Graduate Council Meetings
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- FAQs on Adjoint Members of the Graduate Faculty



Located here is the membership process, deadlines, applications, and common FAQ







Certification of Completion of Thesis Requirements for Master's Degree (CERTMST)

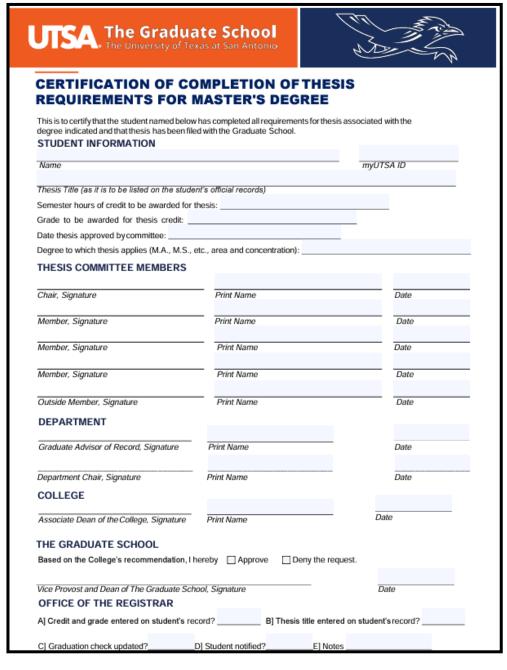
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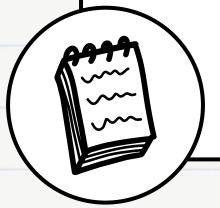
- Department will need to complete form and route the college for Graduate School approval.
- Deadlines:
 - Fall: December 1st
 - Spring: May 1st
 - Summer: August 1st
- Committee Composition:
 - Majority (51%) must be graduate faculty or adjoint faculty:
 - Professor
 - Assistant Professor
 - Associate Professor
 - Adjoint Graduate Faculty ("Adjoint Members")
 - Special Members of the Graduate Faculty ("Special Members")

Information on Committee Composition: Graduate Catalog Policy

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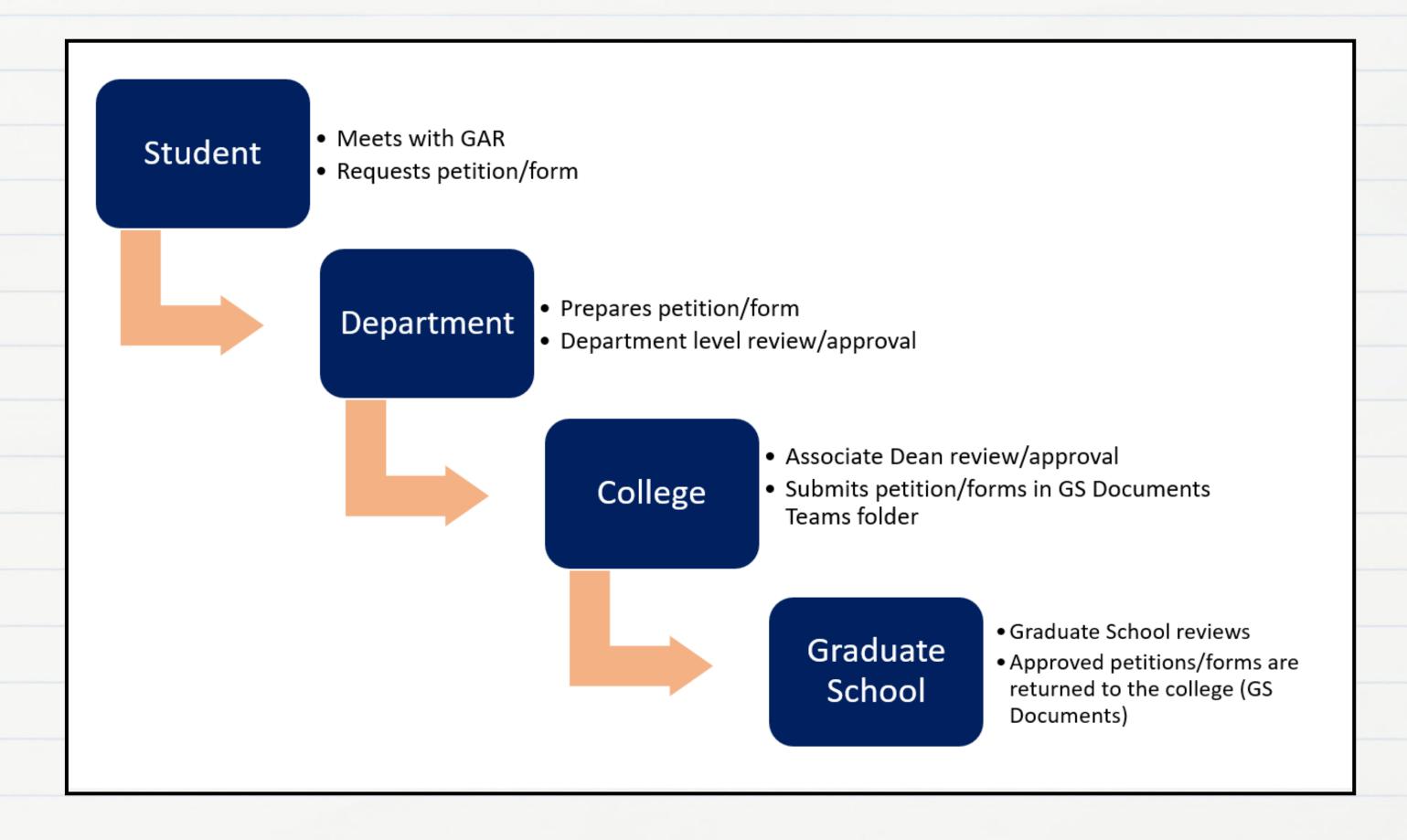
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- Delays to Avoid

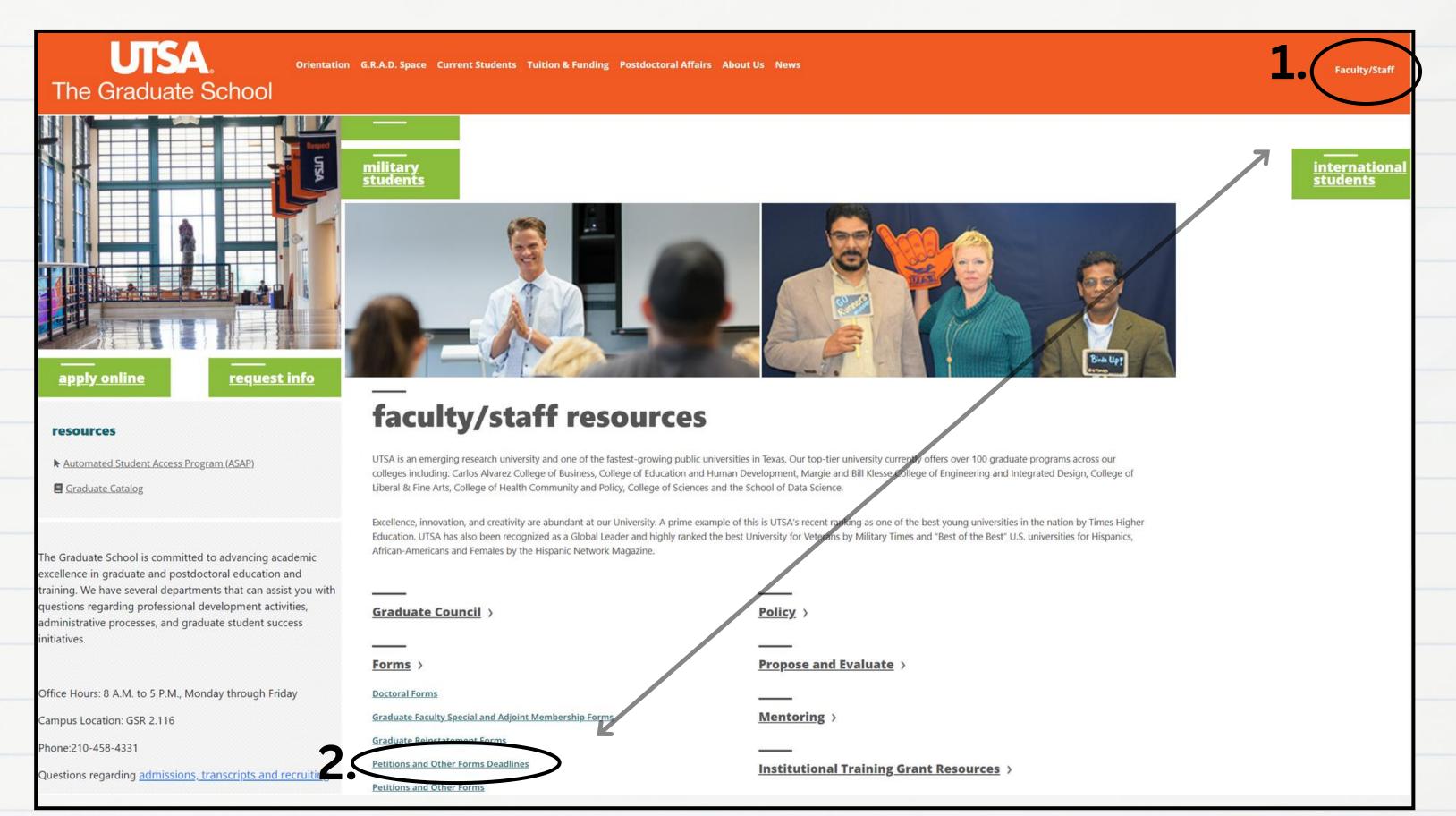




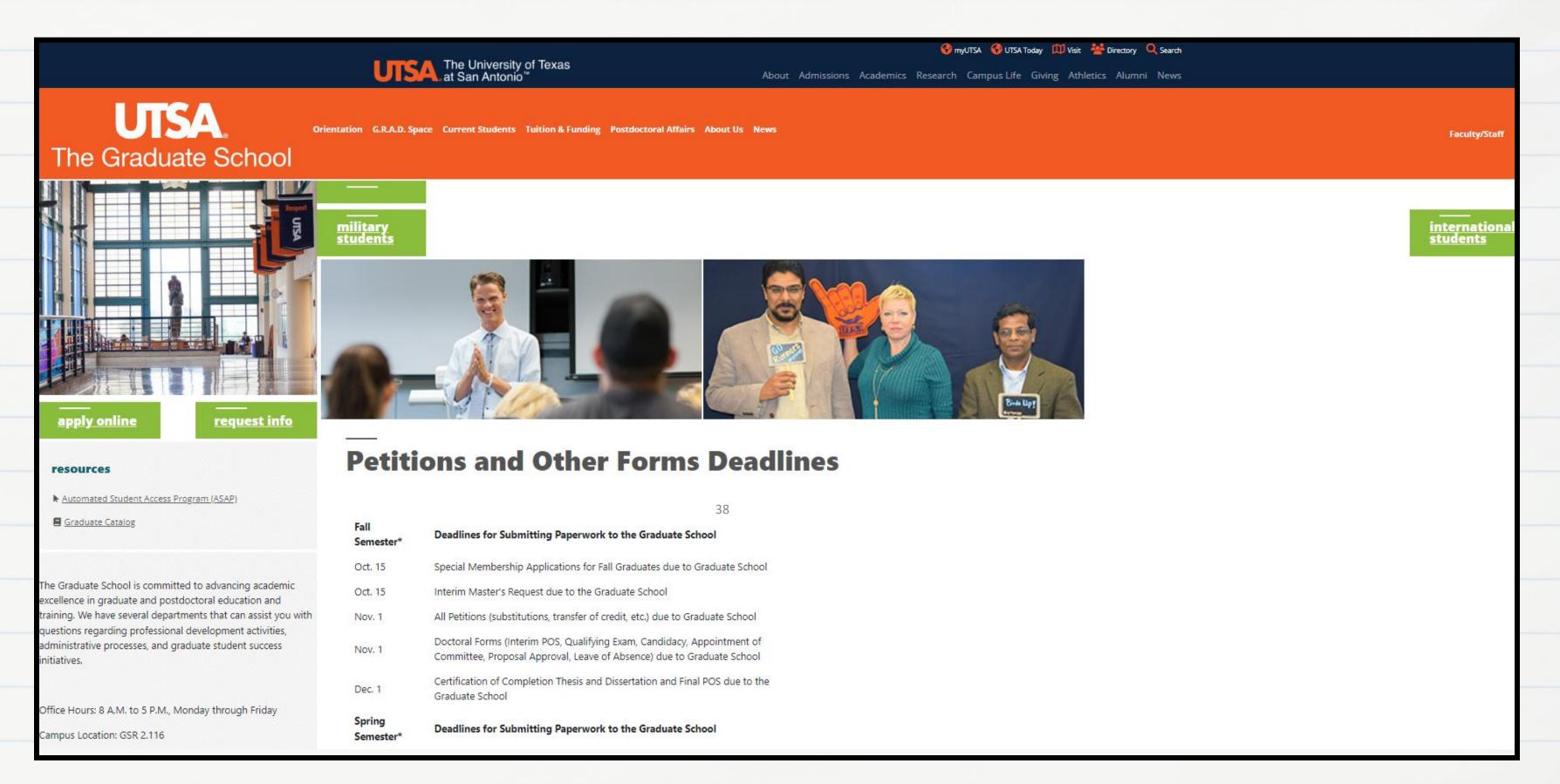
Forms Approval Process



Additional Website Information: Deadlines



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Updated Forms

Petition for Waiver of University Wide Requirements for now asks:

- For concentration
- For master's: thesis or non-thesis
- Changed to Banner ID

Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards Master's Degree now ask:

Catalog section

Petition: Course(s) Exceeding Time Limitation:

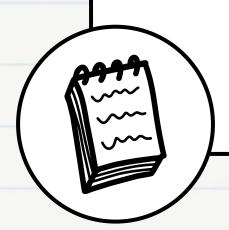
- Changed to Banner ID
- Removed student email address
- Removed Semester admitted

Voluntary Withdrawal form a Graduate Degree Program:

- Changed to Banner ID
- Removed student contact information

Petition: Assistantship Policy:

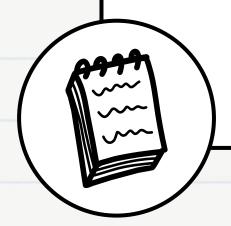
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Delays to Avoid

Quick Points

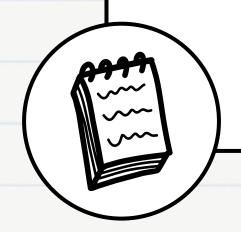
- All petitions/forms need to be submitted in the GS Documents Teams folder.
 - Do not emails forms.
 - Especially not directly to Dr. Mathur for her review or approval.
 - If form is time-sensitive you can message your respective POC on Teams when form is uploaded.
- Ensure forms are submitted in the current version.
 - Forms in the older version will be returned.
 - Forms are dated with the last update.
- Submit forms by deadline.
 - All deadlines bolded and in red are firm deadlines.
 - o If revisions/additional information is requested, must be <u>resubmitted in a timely manner</u>. Otherwise request could be delayed to the following semester.

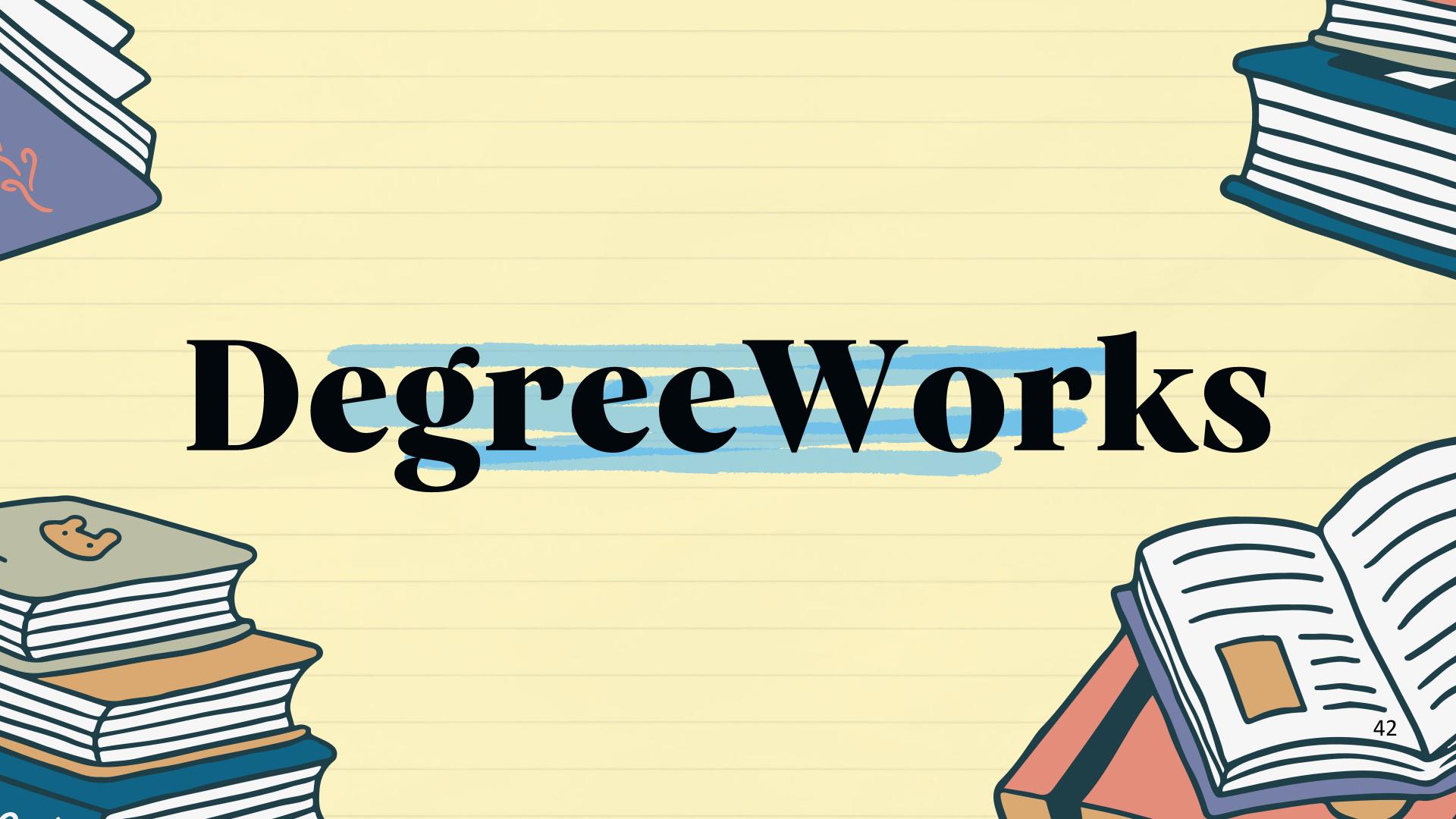


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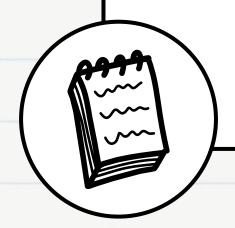
- Ensure all forms needed for updating Degree Works are submitted.
 - This includes transfer petitions, substitutions, and exceeding time for courses on final program of study.
- Delays can slow updates to student's academic record.
 - o Approved forms are used to update student's progress in Degree Works and Banner.
 - Copy of approved forms are indexed in Xtender.





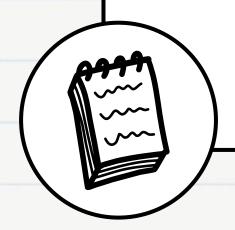
What is DegreeWorks (DW)?

- An unofficial advising and planning tool
- Can use it to easily identify which courses have been completed, and which ones are still needed to fulfill degree requirements
- DegreeWorks is now updated, so graduate students can now use it
- DegreeWorks is scribed to match catalog degree requirements
- For DW scribing: Retention and Graduation Program Coordinators (RGs) will reach out for additional degree requirement information not available in the catalog, such as "approved electives by GAR", free electives, list of course options, so DegreeWorks can be updated.
- For additional general information on DegreeWorks
- https://onestop.utsa.edu/registration/degree-planning/degreeworks/

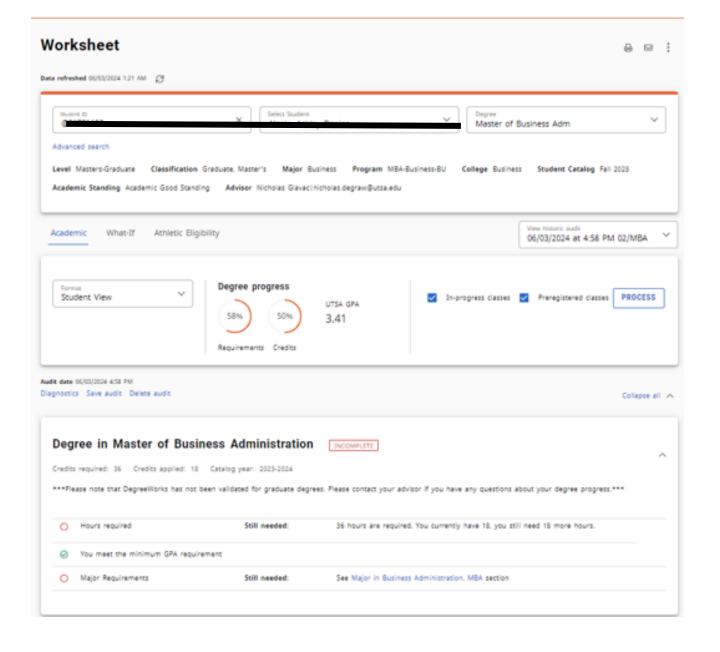


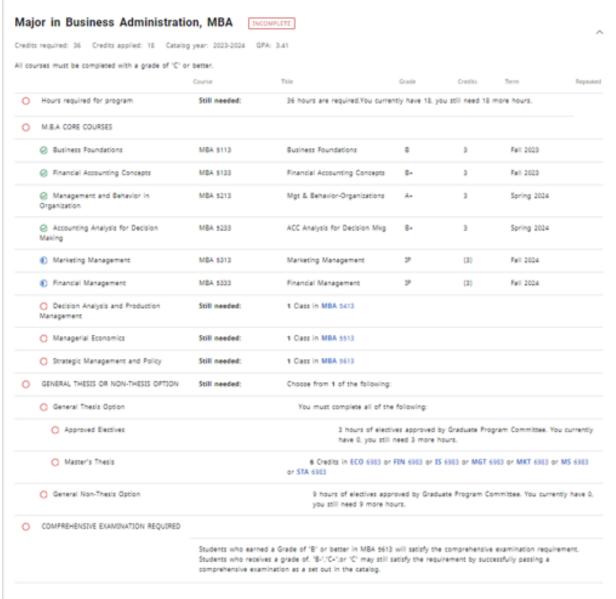
Access DegreeWorks

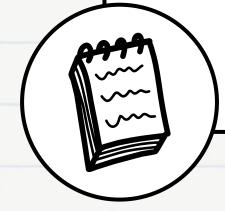
- All students
- Some staff
- To request access to DegreeWorks, submit SIS Security Access Request <u>https://www.utsa.edu/enrollment/sissecurity/access/</u>
- DegreeWorks worksheet view is the same for all



DW Worksheet View - Master's



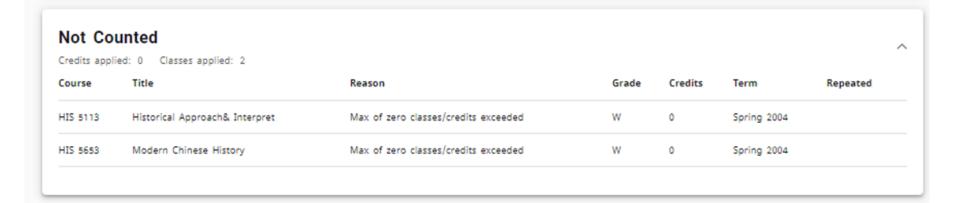




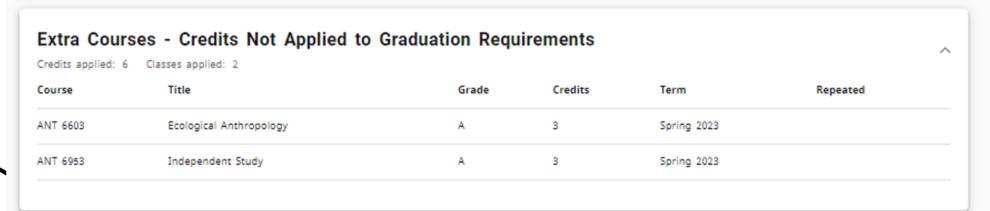
DegreeWorks – other sections Master's



Currently enrolled courses



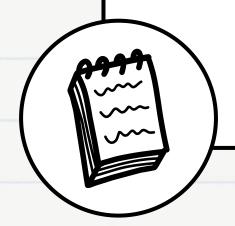
Courses not applying towards degree requirements or degree hours



Courses that the student has completed or has in progress, but they are not applying to their degree requirements.

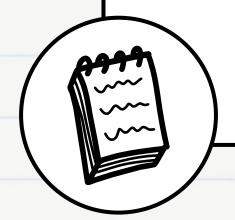
Petition forms used to update DW

- Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards a Master's Degree (TRANS)
- Petition For Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET)
 - Core Course Substitution
 - Prescribed Elective Substitution
 - Elective Substitution
 - Blanket Petition
 - Cohort Petition



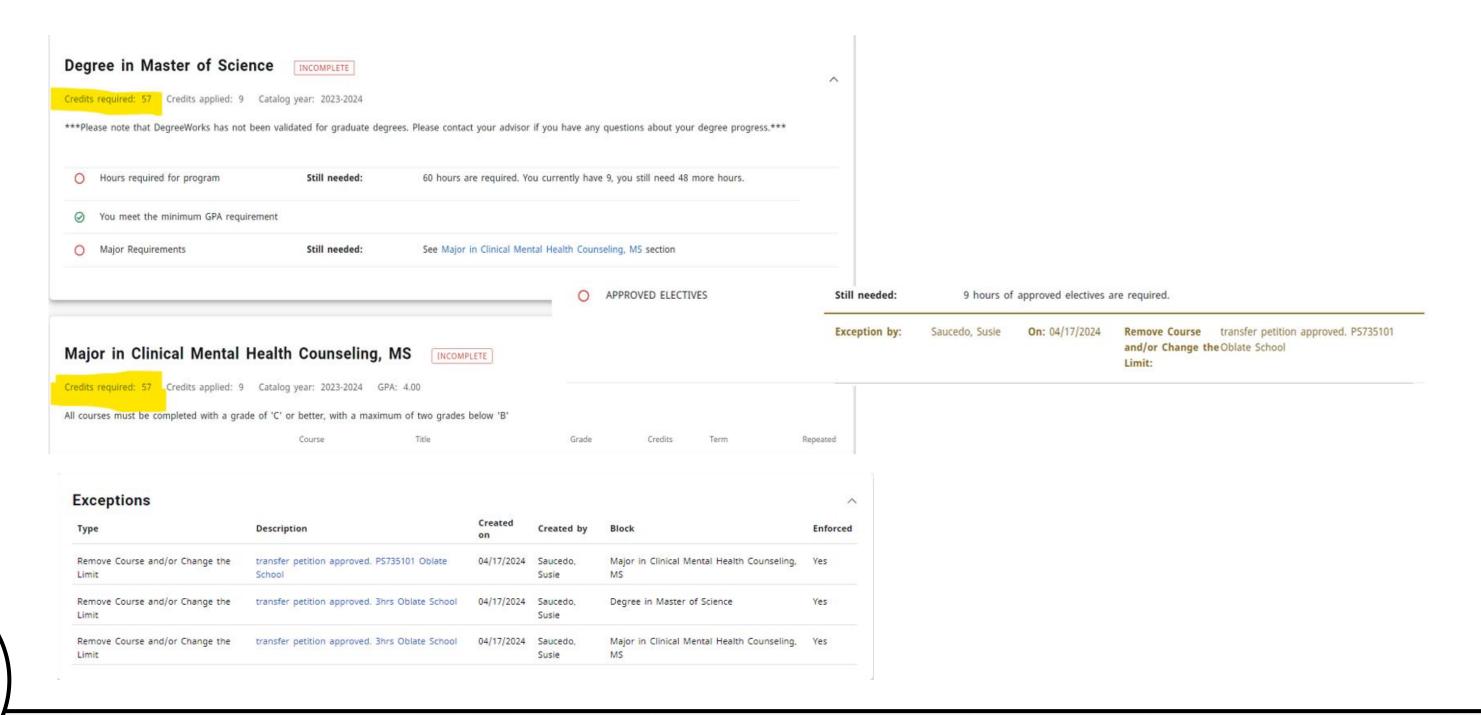
Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards a Master's Degree (TRANS) (Transfer credit from other institutions)

- Student's degree requirements on DegreeWorks are updated according to the approved transfer credit petition.
 - For example, a student had PS735101 from Oblate School of Theology approved to count towards electives requirement. We did a "Remove Course and/or Change the Limit" exception to adjust the hours required for the electives section to account for the 3 hours of approved transfer credit.
- Courses are not actually transferred, so you won't actually see a course applied to the area.
 - But you will see that the hours were adjusted to account for the transfer hours approved. In this student's case, instead of needing 12 hours of electives they now need 9 hours of electives.
- You will notice there are up to 3 exceptions on a student's DegreeWorks.
 - Adjusted degree required hours
 - Adjusted program hours
 - and sometimes adjusted for a specific degree requirement (ex. prescribed electives)



Example:

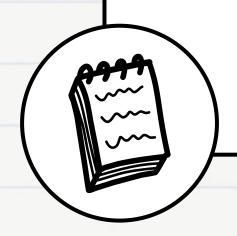
Transfer Credit Exception on DegreeWorks (Credit earned at Other Institutions)





Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards a Master's Degree (TRANS) (Credit earned at UTSA)

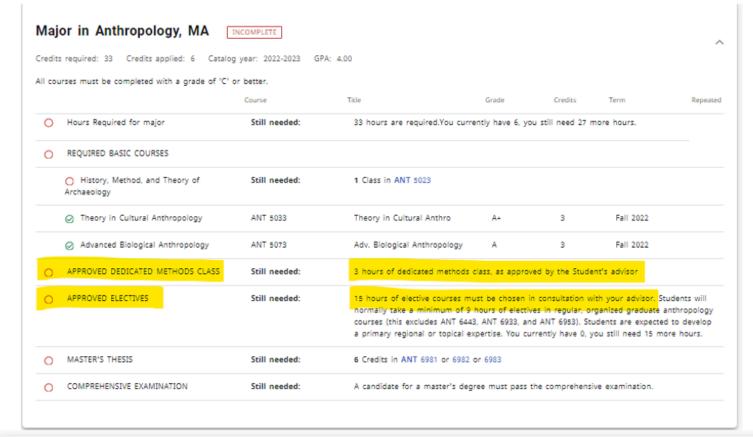
- We send the approved form to Registrar/Graduation Coordination and they change the course level from 03 to 02 (Doctoral --> Masters).
- Once they make the course level change, then it will populate as expected in DegreeWorks.



Transfer of Graduate Credit Towards a Master's Degree (TRANS) (Credit earned at UTSA)

Things to keep in mind:

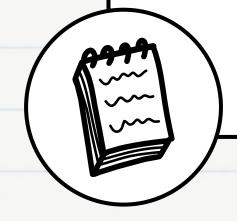
- Student completed a different course than what is stated in the catalog degree requirements for the new degree. Make sure you indicate the substitution.
 - Example: Student will be using ANT 6953 to substitute for ANT 5023.
- Master's degree has elective options and it states, "chosen in consultation with your advisor" (or similar verbiage). Indicate on form where you want the course applied, otherwise if not indicated then you will need to email RG with additional information or, RG will be reaching out for clarification on petition applicability.





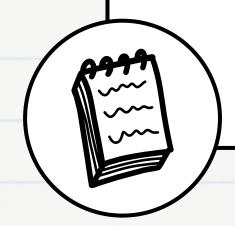
Certificates

Cert in Real Estate Finance and Development COMPLETE												
Credits required: 12 Credits applied: 12 Catalog year: 2023-2024 GPA: 3.83												
All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better.												
		Course	Title		Grade	Credits	Term	Repeated				
0	Hours required for certificate											
0	Real Estate Principles	FIN 5403	Real Estate Principles		A	3	Fall 2022					
0	Real Estate Finance and Investment	FIN 6953	Independent Study		A-	3	Spring 2024					
		Exception by:	Saucedo, Susie	On: 02/16/2024	Substitute:	FIN6953 approved	SP24 sub for FIN 542	3 petition				
0	Real Estate Construction	FIN 6953	Independe	nt Study	A	3	Spring 2023					
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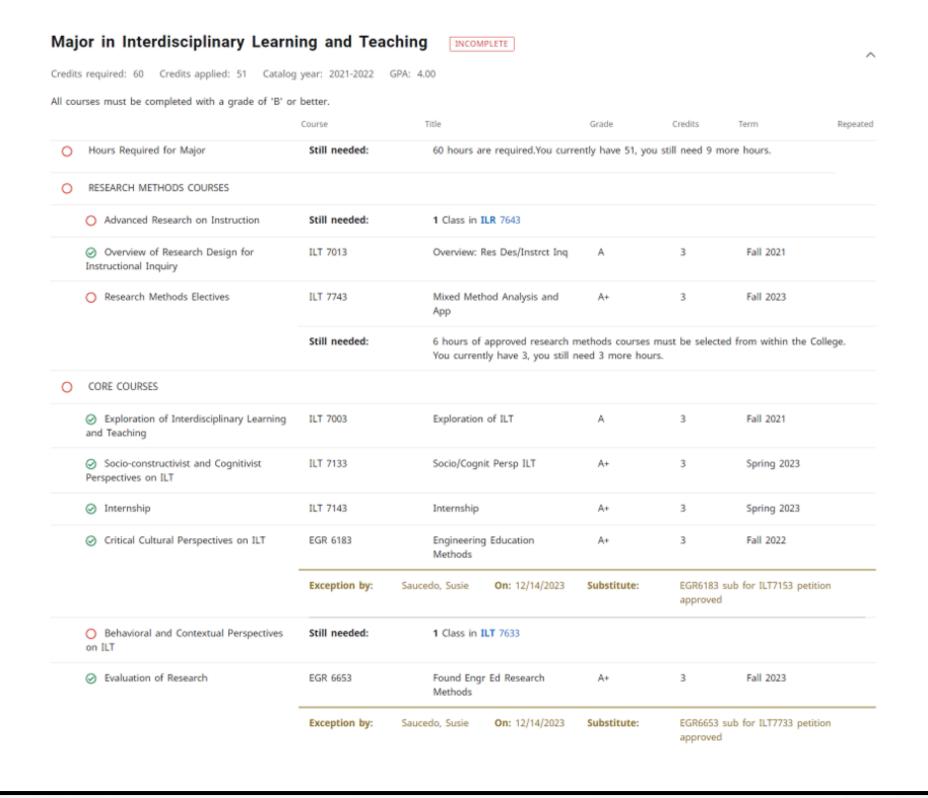
Petition For Waiver of University Wide Requirements (PET)

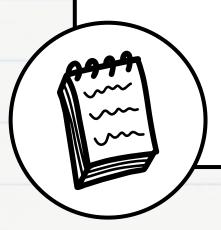
- Information on form is detrimental in ensuring a student's DegreeWorks is updated accurately
 - Program (include: thesis/non-thesis, concentration, track etc...)
 - The course(s) abbreviation(s), number(s), and course title(s)
 - Which part of the catalog the substitution or approval will apply to. The more specific the better.
 - If there are several elective sections, indicate which elective section.
 - Older petitions: Retention and Graduate Program Coordinator may reach out for additional information if it is unclear from the petition where a course should be applied on DegreeWorks, or if that section has been satisfied so the course is not applicable, etc...



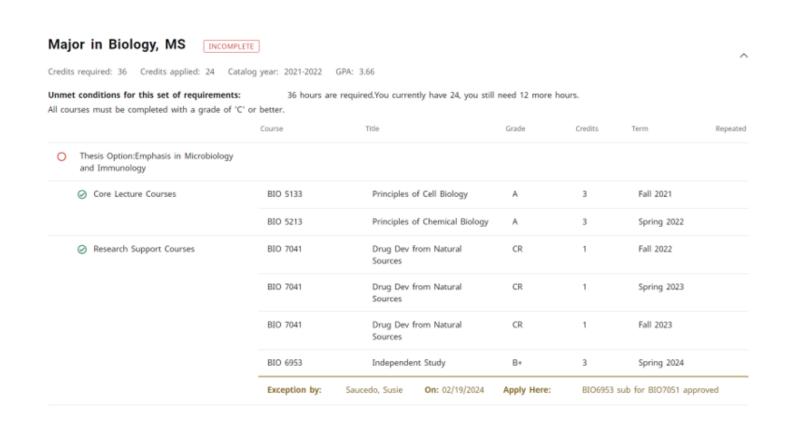
Examples: DegreeWorks updated with petitions

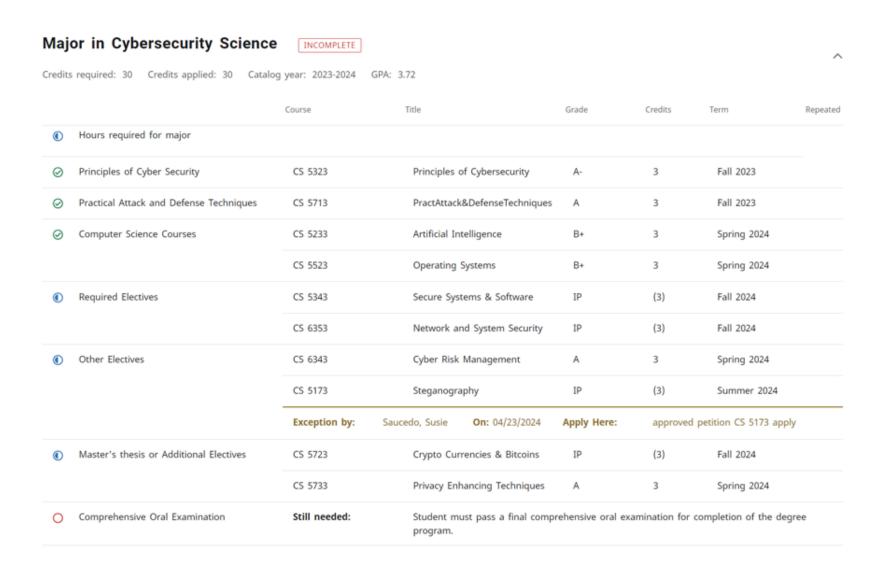
Substitutions of core courses

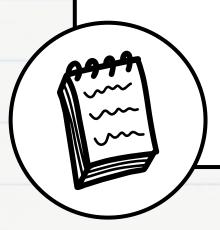




Examples: DegreeWorks updated with petitions







Why it is important to be specific on course applicability.

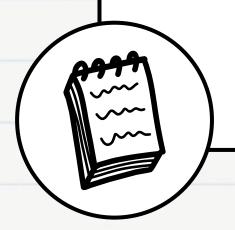
Blanket & Cohort Petition

Blanket petition

- Applies to ALL students in that catalog(s) and program (include thesis/non-thesis, concentration, track etc...).
- We use this approval to scribe DegreeWorks. This means that this course will automatically pull into the approved degree requirement area on DegreeWorks once a student is enrolled and/or has completed the course.

Cohort petition

• We will do a manual exception for each student on the list of approved students

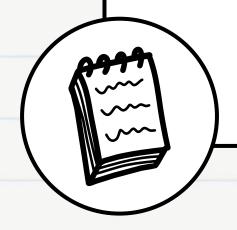


Forms updated by Registrar

- Petition: Course(s) Exceeding Time Limitation (TIME)
 - Form is sent to the Registrar and they confirm that the courses can be used in the degree.
 - Courses that have exceeded the time limit are list at the bottom of Degree Works.

Extra Courses - Credits Not Applied to Graduation Requirements

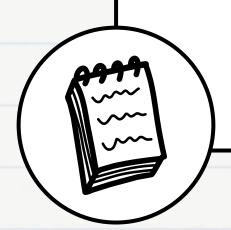
Credits applied: 9	Classes applied: 3							
Course	Title	Grade	Credits	Term	Repeated			
DEM 7803	DrRes: Comprehensive Exam Prep	A-	3	Summer 2016				
DEM 7903	Policy Development	А	3	Spring 2016				
URP 5393	Urban Planning Methods II	В	3	Summer 2015				



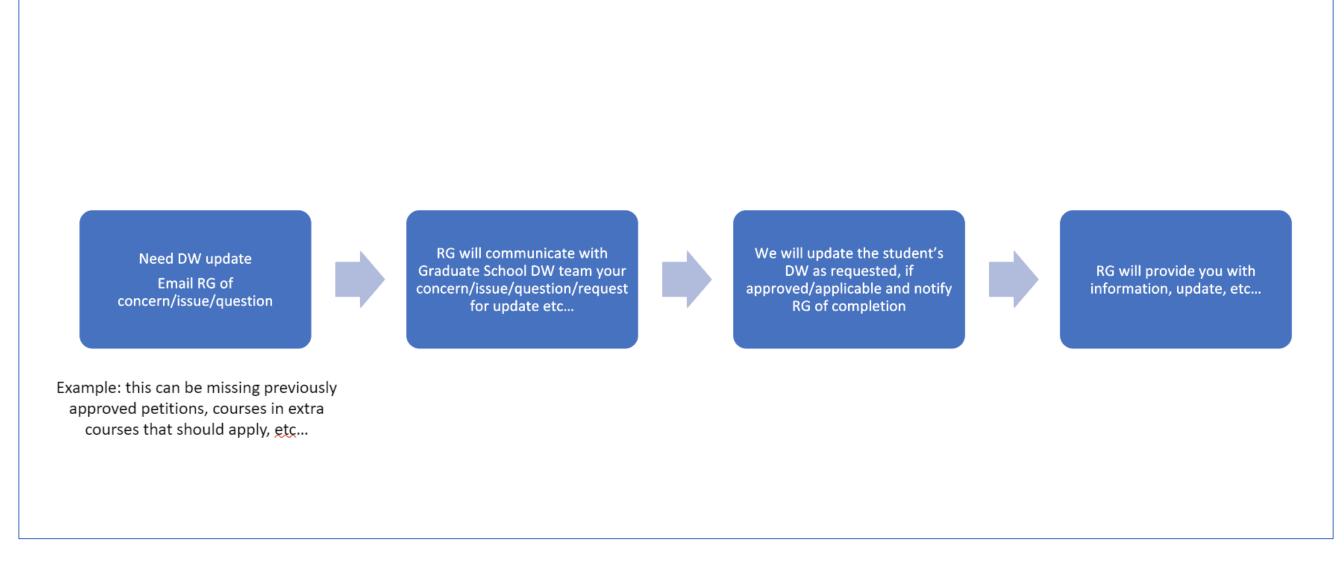
Alert: Extra Courses

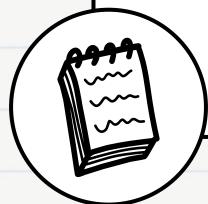


- If you see a course in the Extra Courses section on their DW, and it should apply to a specific degree requirement, then consider either:
 - the petition process for prescribed catalog
 requirements (course listed, course options listed)
 - o or if the catalog states "as approved by GAR" or similar verbiage, then email assigned Retention and Graduation Program Coordinators (RG) with official approval, they will share with Graduate School DW Team and we will update DW as requested.



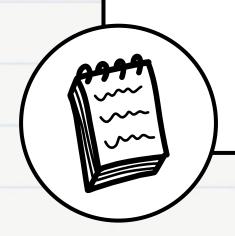
DegreeWorks Workflow





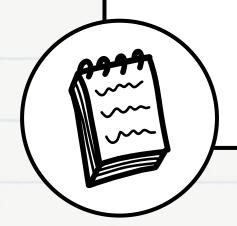
Clarification requests

- RG's may reach out for additional clarification on the applicability of petitions.
 - Example: Petition states elective but there are three elective sections (prescribed, free, and additional electives). More typical of older petitions since new petition form requests more detailed information.
 - Example: SOC 5113 approved to sub for a core course, but the student ended up completing the required core course, so technically the petition is no longer applicable.



Catalog degree requirement states "approved by GAR" or similar verbiage

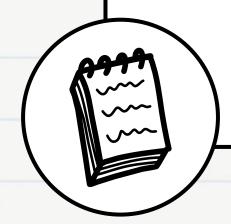
- Follow DegreeWorks Workflow
 - Provide email to RG from GAR stating they have approved the course to count towards that specific area of the catalog degree requirements.
- If there is a blanket approval, then you can indicate this on the email to RG and we will scribe it in DW, so that the course pulls in automatically for ALL students in the specified catalog year and program (include thesis/non-thesis, concentration etc...).
- If there is a cohort approval for a specific group of students, then indicate that on the email and we will manually update each student provided on that list.
 - Example: 10 Master's students were told to take a specific course to satisfy electives area, which in the catalog states "as approved by GAR," or similar verbiage, then you can include in an email to RG all students who are approved to use this course for that area indicated.



Student Academic Progress

Quick Points

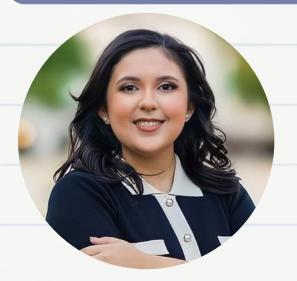
- Forms were updated to make it easier apply approved petitions to Degree Works
 - This will help alleviate confusion and the need to reach out for clarification
 - Delays can slow updates to student's academic record
 - Approved forms are used to update student's progress in Degree Works
 - When forms are not submitted in a timely manner, students may become concerned about the progress they see in Degree Works
- The Graduate School received over 2200 forms this academic year.
 - It's essential that we all work together to ensure that every necessary form is submitted and approved in a timely manner.
 - Your attention to detail and commitment to this process are vital. By collaborating effectively and supporting one another, we can ensure Degree Works is accurately tracking student progress.





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