

UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Graduation Requirements

Undergraduate degree requirements consist of Dearborn Discovery Core, minimum grade point averages, minimum credit hours, placement exams, and a senior-residency requirement. Undergraduate students must elect to follow (a) the degree requirements in the catalog current in their first term of enrollment after admission or readmission or (b) degree requirements in a subsequent catalogue as long as they were enrolled in a term in which it was in effect. Students may not mix catalogs.

Minimum Total Credit Hours and Grade Point Average

A minimum of 120 credit hours with an overall average of C (2.00) or better is required for graduation.

Upper-Level Coursework

A minimum of 48 hours of upper-level (courses numbered 300-499 and 3000-4999) coursework must be completed by each student.

College of Engineering and Computer Science Upper-Level Coursework

Students in the College of Engineering and Computer Science must complete at least 30 credit hours of upper-level CECS course work at UM-Dearborn of the degree program in which enrolled.

Pass/Fail Course Limit for Degree

Up to four courses taken with the Pass/Fail option --- excluding courses counting towards the major(s), cognates, or minor(s) --- by students may be accepted for credit towards a degree.

Major Credit Hours Requirement

A student must successfully complete at least half of the credit hours required for a major at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Senior Residency for a Degree

Students must complete their final 30 credits consecutively at UM-Dearborn. If a required course for graduation is not offered, and an appropriate substitution cannot be found, students may petition their college's Academic Standards Committee for an exception to this policy. Students may also petition for an exception to participate in a study abroad program. If an exception is granted, students must still complete a minimum of 30 credits at UM-Dearborn.

Foreign Language Requirement for the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters

The College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters requires all students to satisfy its foreign language distribution requirement in order to obtain a degree. The requirement can be met by:

- Successfully completing a two-semester beginning language sequence at UM-Dearborn, or
- Receiving the approval from the college to transfer the equivalent of 8 semester hours of a beginning language sequence from another institution, or

- Successfully completing a 3 or 4 hour foreign language course (not taught in English) at the 102 level or higher, or
- Completing at least 3 years of foreign language (in the same language) in high school with a grade of "C" or better in the final course. Submit a petition.

Those students who wish to meet the the college's foreign language requirement based on study or experience other than that outlined above may do so by:

- Completing the equivalent of a high school degree from a school that used a language other than English for instruction. (Appropriate documentation attesting to the language of instruction and graduation from the high school program is necessary and official English translations of foreign transcripts are required. *Submit a petition.), or
- Passing an oral and written foreign language proficiency exam.

Dual Degree Requirements

Students may complete two or more degrees at UM-Dearborn at the same time. To earn two degrees (e.g. AB, BS, BBA, BSE), students must meet the degree program requirements for each degree and earn at least 30 additional credit hours (at least a minimum of 150 credit hours) beyond the first degree (regardless of the number of credit hours completed for the first degree), if the first degree was earned at UM-Dearborn.

Dual degrees are two degrees awarded at the same time. The degrees can be within one college (ex. CASL A.B. and B.S.) or from two different colleges (ex. two A.B. degrees, one from CASL and one from CEHHS or B.B.A. from COB and B.S.E. from CECS). Declaring two majors is not declaring two degrees. Dual degrees are awarded under the following conditions:

- The second degree may be offered by the same or different college.
- The student must be granted admission in each degree program.
- The degrees cannot be separated and awarded on different terms.
- The student completes the departmental requirements for each major.
- The requirements for all degrees must be earned concurrently (i.e., at the same time).
- The student completes a minimum of 150 total credits.

Joint Concurrent Degrees

UM-Dearborn has a restricted number of joint concurrent degrees where the two degree programs overlap significantly in both content areas and learning objectives in the degree programs. In order to obtain the concurrent degrees, students must complete at least 15 credit hours beyond the degree with the highest required credit hours. Both degrees must be earned at the same time. The concurrent degrees are:

- BSE, Bioengineering/ Mechanical Engineering
- BSE, Electrical Engineering/ Computer Engineering
- BSE, Industrial and Systems Engineering/ Manufacturing Engineering
- BSE, Manufacturing Engineering/ Mechanical Engineering
- BSE, Engineering Mathematics/ Bioengineering or Computer Engineering or Electrical Engineering or Human-Centered Engineering Design or Mechanical Engineering or Industrial and Systems Engineering or Manufacturing Engineering
- BS, CIS Mathematics/ Cybersecurity and Info Assurance or Computer and Info Science or Software Engineering

- BS, Computer and Info Science/ Cybersecurity and Info Assurance
- BS, Computer and Info Science/ Data Science
- BS, Econ and BS Data Science

Second Degree Requirements

Individuals with a bachelor's degree who want to earn a second degree must be admitted to UM-Dearborn. Applicants who already have an UM-Dearborn degree must earn at least 30 credits in residence at UM-Dearborn beyond the credits required for the first degree, with at least 15 of these credits in the new field of the major.

Second Degree Requirements for Post-Baccalaureate Students in the College of Business

Satisfactory completion of the BBA Prerequisite Requirements, Dearborn Discovery Core, BBA Core, and major coursework required for the degree sought.

Satisfactory completion of at least 30 semester hours of coursework while enrolled in the College of Business as a post-baccalaureate student; at least 21 hours of this course-work must be in courses offered by the College of Business.

Achievement of at least a 2.0 grade point average in all coursework and in courses offered by the College of Business.

Graduation Honors

Chancellor's Medallion

The Chancellor's Medallion is awarded at each Commencement Exercise to UM-Dearborn graduates. The students are selected based on their quality of character, vitality, intellect, integrity and academic record. The December awardees are selected from August degree recipients and December degree candidates. The April/May awardees are selected from April/May degree candidates.

With Distinction

Undergraduate students who graduate and have obtained a cumulative GPA 3.5 - 3.79 are recommended for graduation "With Distinction". Such distinctions are noted on transcripts and diplomas.

With High Distinction

Undergraduate students who graduate and have obtained a cumulative GPA of 3.8 and above are recommended for graduation "With High Distinction". Such distinctions are noted on transcripts and diplomas.