

4+1 Bachelor's-Master's Program Development Policies

Admission

- Students may apply for admission into the **undergraduate** portion of a 4+1 program after completing no fewer than 60 undergraduate credit hours. Note: a student may be admitted and designated as 'intent' prior to 60 undergraduate credit hours. Criteria to move from intent to 4+1 accepted must be articulated.
- After acceptance into the **undergraduate** portion of the program, students must also apply to the Graduate School for admission into the **graduate** portion of the program.
- For admission into the **graduate** portion of the program, students must apply to the Graduate School and have at least 95 undergraduate hours completed with a minimum 2.75 cumulative UG GPA.
- Students must meet all other admission requirements for the 4+1 program as determined by the program and published in the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs.

Program of Study

- A minimum of 120 credit hours are required at the undergraduate level.
- 4+1 programs must include an existing stand-alone undergraduate major of at least 30 hours.
- 4+1 programs must satisfy all EMU undergraduate degree requirements, including general education, residency, and writing intensive.
- 4+1 programs must have at least 30 credit hours of courses numbered 500 and above. Some of these graduate hours may be used to fulfill the undergraduate 120 credit hour minimum.
- Graduate courses taken before admission into the undergraduate portion of the 4+1 program cannot be applied to the graduate portion of the 4+1 program.
- A waiver to the requirement of at least 30 graduate credits on a graduate transcript is granted to these programs. The minimum number of 500 level or above hours that must be part of a graduate transcript is equal to 50% of the hours in the existing stand-alone graduate degree.
- At least 50% of courses numbered 500 and above must not be cross-listed with an undergraduate course.
- 4+1 programs must have a structured plan that clearly articulates a students' progress through the program. The 4+1 curricular requirements will be listed in the undergraduate and graduate catalogs.
- 4+1 programs must be structured so that students who do not complete the 4+1 program may earn a bachelor's degree in the stand-alone program.
- The requirement of an undergraduate minor is waived for 4+1 bachelor's-master's program students.

Course Limitations

- Students may count either the undergraduate version or the graduate version of an equivalent course.

Time Limitations

- 4+1 programs must be completed within six (6) years of first enrollment in courses numbered 500 and above (whether taken for undergraduate or graduate credit).

Recordkeeping and Financial Aid

- All courses taken as an undergraduate student will be recorded on the student's undergraduate transcript. All courses taken as a graduate student will be recorded on the student's graduate transcript.
- Students are eligible to apply for undergraduate financial aid up until the semester they are admitted into the graduate portion of their program, at which time they are eligible for graduate student financial aid, graduate student scholarships, and graduate assistantships.

Graduation

- Both the bachelor's and the master's degrees will be conferred at the completion of the 4+1 program.