FOOD SYSTEMS AMP

All students must meet the Requirements for the Accelerated Master's Degree Programs

OVERVIEW

Qualified undergraduate students who plan to earn a Professional Master's degree in Food Systems may enroll in the Accelerated Master's Program (AMP), which enables students to begin working on a master's degree while still an undergraduate. Students apply to the program in the second semester of their junior year or the first semester of their senior year. Upon admission to the program by the Graduate College, students will choose 6 credits of graduate approved courses (from the list specified below) that can be taken while still an undergraduate.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Must be a UVM student with a declared Minor in Food Systems. All students that are accepted into the Food Systems AMP will be enrolled into the Professional track (MS). Please visit the Food Systems Graduate program website for application information and deadlines.

Requirements for Admission to Graduate Studies for the Degree of Master of Science for Accelerated Master's Students

- A declared Food Systems Minor
- Cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher
- Completion of a college-level statistics course
- Completion of the Graduate College application form and three letters of recommendation
- A letter of support from a Food Systems Faculty member who agrees to serve as primary advisor during enrollment in the M.S. Program.

Minimum Degree Requirements

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<th>Professional Track – 31 hours, including a 3-4 credit final project</th>
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<td>FS 335 Qualitative Research Methods (Spring)</td>
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<td>FS 345 SU:Food Systems, Soc &amp; Policy (Fall)</td>
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<td>Travel Immersion Course (Summer or semester breaks)</td>
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GRADUATE APPROVED COURSES

- ENVS 212 - Advanced Agroecology
- CDAE 208/ASCI 208 - Agricultural Policy & Ethics
- CDAE 237 - Economics of Sustainability
- ANFS 313 - Food Safety & Public Policy
- CDAE 326 - Community Economic Development
- CDAE 354 - Advanced Microeconomics
- PA 306 - Policy Systems
- PA 317 - Systems Analysis & Strategic Management
- PSS 301 - Professional Skills Colloquium
- PH 312 - Food Systems & Public Health
- FS 355 - Ethics and Food Systems
- CDAE 321 - Economics of Sustainable Food Systems

Comprehensive Examination

The comprehensive examination must be taken by the end of the student's first year spring semester. The examination will cover food systems knowledge. For Professional track students, the details and format of the examination are decided upon by the Project Committee and will be discussed with the student well in advance of the exam.

Requirements for Advancement to Candidacy for the Degree of Master of Science

Satisfactory completion of the Comprehensive Exam.