

FOOD SYSTEMS AMP

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

OVERVIEW

Qualified University of Vermont undergraduate students who plan to earn a Master's degree in Food Systems may enroll in the Accelerated Master's Pathway (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. After admission to the graduate program by the Graduate College, students will choose up to 9 credits of graduate level courses from the list of approved electives below that can be taken while still an undergraduate. The student should also take whichever required course(s) are offered in the semester of their admission. These credits will also count towards the Master's Degree.

Approved Electives - for AMP Students Prior to Completion of the Bachelor's Degree

- CDAE 6260 - Community Economic Development
- CDAE 6540 - Advanced Microeconomics
- PA 6060 - Policy Systems
- PA 6170 - Systems Analysis & Strategic Management
- PH 6120 - Food Systems & Public Health
- CDAE 6210- Economics of Sustainable Food Systems
- NFS 5254 - Global Food Safety

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Must be a UVM student with a declared Major or Minor in Food Systems. 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 Major or Minor
- Cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher
- Completion of a college-level statistics course
- Completion of the Graduate College application form and 3 letters of recommendation, including a faculty letter of support from a current Food Systems Graduate Faculty member

Minimum Degree Requirements

Requirement Description		Credits
31 credits, including:		
Required Courses:		
FS 6400	Food Systems & Society	3
FS 6450	Food Systems & Science	3
FS 6475	Food Systems & Policy	3

FS 6510	Professional Development Sem.	1
FS 6520	Research Design & Methodology	3
FS 6392	Master's Project Research	3-4
At least 1 methods class		3
The remainder of required credit hours must be satisfied through graded electives. This is 11-12 credits for students completing a project.		
Students must complete and defend a project in order to graduate.		

Comprehensive Examination

There is a required comprehensive exam that involves a written component and oral defense of the Master's Project.

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

Satisfactory completion of the Comprehensive Exam.