

**3341-3-73 Master's degree – Second Master's Degree.**

Applicability	All University Units – Graduate Students
Responsible Office	Office of the Provost
Responsible Administrator	Dean of Graduate College

**(A) Policy Statement and Purpose**

This describes the policies associated with completing a second Master's degree program at BGSU.

**(B) Policy Scope****(1) Second Master's Degree Requirements**

- (a) A student may pursue Master's degrees in two unrelated disciplines at Bowling Green State University, and these two Master's degrees can be completed concurrently or consecutively.

**(b) Course Credits:**

In addition to completing the basic core requirements for both programs, students can share up to 9 course credits between programs (if academically appropriate). If a student is completing a second Master's degree concurrent with another Master's degree, these shared credits must be approved by both programs and the Graduate College. If a student is completing a second Master's degree after the completion of a first Master's degree, these shared credits must be approved by the second Master's program and the Graduate College.

**(c) Culminating Experiences:**

Students pursuing a second Master's degree must complete separate culminating experiences (e.g., thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.) in each Master's program. No shared culminating experience credits are permitted.

(d) Total Credits:

Including any allowed shared credits, a student must meet the total minimum credit and curricular requirements of both Master's degrees.

(e) Limitations:

A minimum of 18 credits must be completed at 6000-level for each Master's program. If a 6000-level course is shared, it can be then counted toward both programs' 18 credit minimum. Time-to-degree rules apply for all courses.

Effective date: September 17, 2020