Undergraduates Taking Graduate Level Courses

Undergraduate students can be approved to register for graduate level coursework. There are three distinct options. Students may take advantage of more than one option except for Options 1 and 3, which are mutually exclusive.

**Option 1: To fulfill both undergraduate and graduate degree requirements:**
- Students must be accepted into an approved +1 accelerated degree program.
- Students accepted into an approved +1 accelerated degree program must complete at least 6 credits and no more than 12 credits of graduate coursework.
- For more information on accelerated degree programs and eligibility, go to Accelerated Degree Programs in the Undergraduate Bulletin.

**Option 2: To fulfill undergraduate degree requirements:**
- Students may take 5000-level graduate courses with the permission of the instructor and the dean's designee for undergraduate credit.
- Students who wish to take higher-level graduate courses (>5000-level) must have the permission of the instructor, the dean's designee for undergraduate credit, the Office of Undergraduate Studies, and the Graduate School.
- After receiving the required approvals, students must meet with their academic advisor for assistance with the registration process.
- The credits and grades appear on the undergraduate transcript and count toward the undergraduate grade point average (GPA) only. The courses (credits and grades) cannot be applied to satisfy any graduate degree requirements.

**Option 3: To take in addition to undergraduate degree requirements for graduate credit only:**
- Students not enrolled in an approved +1 accelerated degree program (Option 1) may take up to three courses totaling no more than 9 credits at the graduate level for graduate credit. No more than 6 credits of graduate coursework may be taken in any one academic term.
- To be eligible, students must be seniors who have an overall cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
- The courses (credits and grades) cannot be applied to satisfy any undergraduate degree requirements. The credits and grades appear on the graduate transcript and count toward a graduate GPA only. The grade earned in each graduate course must be a B or better to count toward a Temple University graduate degree.
- If students are enrolled in fewer than 12 undergraduate credits, their financial aid may be impacted. For more information consult the Office of Student Financial Services.
- Students must complete the "Permission for Undergraduate Student to Register for Graduate Course(s) for Graduate Credit" form and obtain the required approvals. After receiving the required approvals, students must submit the form to the Graduate School (501 Carnell Hall) prior to the end of the add/drop period of the academic term in which the course(s) is being taken.
  - Go to Student tools on the Portal, Find University Forms; Filter by Graduate School and search for this form from the list.
- Permission to enroll in graduate courses under Option 3 does not constitute a commitment on the part of any department to accept students as graduate students in the future.