

# Accelerated BA to MA Education Degree Program

**Interested in a career in Education?** The Graduate Education program has many concentrations including; Reading, Teaching, Special Education, Educational Leadership, School Counseling. Entrance into the MA Ed program is open to those within the School of Education Undergraduate programs as well as those from other Undergraduate disciplines. Please inquire with your Advisor or Dean Doria (School of Education) at [jdoria@saintpeters.edu](mailto:jdoria@saintpeters.edu) for information on the MA Ed programs.



The Accelerated BA to MA ED degree program offers several advantages. The program:

- Accelerates the attainment of an advanced degree
- Facilitates seamless transition to a master's degree
- Increases students' marketability in the education field
- Saves students time and money (first 9 credits are included in full-time undergrad tuition for a savings of around \$9,000.)

## Admission Requirements

Any student may apply to the program upon completion of 60 credits, and upon acceptance, take three graduate courses (9 credits) within their last 30 credits.

Specific admission requirements include:

- Successful completion of 60 credits
- Cumulative major GPA of 3.0 or higher, Major GPA of 3.0 or higher, and Cognate Course GPA of 3.0 or higher; at the time of application and when the BA degree is completed
- Complete the BA degree in four (4) years or less
- Submission of the graduate application, and personal statement (250+ words)
- Official transcript(s) will be obtained from Enrollment Services upon completion
- Two letters of recommendation from school of Undergraduate Degree
- An interview may be required

Students may apply to the program by November 1<sup>st</sup>, but not later than March 1<sup>st</sup>, prior to their last 30 credits.

## Credits and Curriculum

If accepted into the accelerated program, students will take up to nine graduate credits in either the fall or spring semester within their last 30 credits. Graduate courses taken while an undergraduate are billed at the undergraduate tuition rate and fulfill course requirements for the Bachelor's and Master's degrees. The bachelor's degree will be awarded upon successful completion of all requirements for the undergraduate degree. **Note:** The University will apply the initial nine graduate credits to the graduate transcript upon completion of 12 additional graduate credits.

Upon completion of the bachelor's degree, students take all graduate courses and will enroll in at least two courses in each of the subsequent semesters until completed. All graduate courses are billed at the graduate tuition rate. Upon successful completion of the remaining graduate credits, the student will be awarded a Master of Arts in Education.

For more information, visit:  
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