

**FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SIGNATURE PAGE
PROPOSAL FOR A JOINT GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM**

COLLEGE/DEPARTMENT (1): _____

DEGREE (1) (including C.I.P. Code): _____

COLLEGE/DEPARTMENT (2): _____

DEGREE (2) (including C.I.P. Code): _____

NAME OF JOINT DEGREE PROGRAM: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

LEVEL:

_____ Masters (Specify M.A., M.S., M.S.W., M.B.A. etc.)

_____ Specialist

_____ Doctoral (Specify Ph.D., Ed.D., D.M., etc.)

APPROVED:

_____ Date
Department/School Curriculum Committee (1)

_____ Date
Department Chair/Director (1)

_____ Date
College Curriculum Committee (1)

_____ Date
Academic Dean (1)

_____ Date
Department/School Curriculum Committee (2)

_____ Date
Department Chair/Director (2)

_____ Date
College Curriculum Committee (2)

_____ Date
Academic Dean (2)

_____ Date
Dean of Graduate School

_____ Date
VP for Faculty Development and Advancement

_____ Date
Provost and Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs

INSTRUCTIONS FOR JOINT DEGREE PROPOSALS

OVERVIEW

Joint degree programs provide students the opportunity to earn graduate degrees from two academic programs concurrently. The development and initial approval of all joint degree programs resides with the program faculty in the specific departments, schools and colleges involved.

Students applying to the joint program must complete an application to the Office of Graduate Admissions and must be admitted to each academic program separately, meeting all of the admission requirements for that program, such as applicable entrance exams (e.g., GRE, GMAT, LSAT). Interested students should contact the respective degree programs for specific admissions requirements and programs of study.

Students completing joint degrees receive two diplomas, one for each degree.

Joint degrees must have a minimum combined total of 60 credit hours and a minimum of 24 credit hours in each of the two component degree programs. It is also required that at least six of the actual hours taken in each of the component degree programs be designated as mandatory for and appropriate to the other degree program. These cross-credit hours are the essence of the joint nature of the combined program. This enables students who are admitted and enrolled in two programs concurrently to, in effect, "save" on the number of total hours required versus those required when completing the two degrees separately.

PROPOSAL

Proposals should be written in narrative format and should include the following:

1. Background information
2. Purpose of the proposal (benefits of establishing the joint degree)
3. Admission Criteria
4. Course of study, with explicit reference to the cross-credit courses
5. Any deviations from the requirements for the existing degrees
6. Special arrangements for advising joint-degree students
7. Specify whether any additional resources will be needed to support the program.

Please contact Jennifer Buchanan, Associate VP for Faculty Development and Advancement, at 644-6876 or jbuchanan@admin.fsu.edu if you have questions.