

## BSMS PROGRAM Information and Guidelines

Undergraduates with strong academic records in certain programs may apply for admission to the BSMS Accelerated Program, which leads to the award of both a Bachelor's and a Master's degree. While still undergraduates, this program allows students to make steady progress towards completing the two degrees for a lesser cost through a combination of earned AP credits, completed summer coursework, and additional credits over the limit completed each semester. Qualified students are typically considered for admission to the program during their junior year. In their remaining undergraduate semesters, they will complete some graduate coursework during regular terms and/or during the summer towards their desired MS degree.

### **Minimum Admission Requirements – Please note that we do not make exceptions.**

- Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better.
- Completion of at least 64 credits of undergraduate coursework, but no more than 80.
- Completion of the BSMS application form, including signatures of approval from both the BS and MS program advisers.
- An up-to-date transcript.

### **Important Notes**

1. The above requirements are the minimum requirements put forth by the BSMS program. Please note that individual academic departments may have more stringent requirements.
2. Transfer students are **not** eligible to enroll in the BSMS program.

### **Requirements for Completion of both the Bachelor's and Master's Degrees**

- Students must complete their BS degree prior to matriculation into the MS degree program.
- Students must satisfy all of the requirements of both the BS and the MS degrees; there is no double-counting of courses between degrees.
- Students must have appropriate prerequisite courses, as determined by their departmental adviser, before enrolling in graduate courses

### **BS degree GPA Requirements**

- Students must maintain a **cumulative GPA of 3.5** throughout the entirety of their BS program.
- If a student's GPA should drop below 3.5, he or she will be permitted **one** semester of probation. If the cumulative GPA does not meet the requirement after the probationary semester, the student will be disqualified from the BSMS program.
- All graduate coursework and grades will count towards the BS GPA until matriculation into the MS portion of the program. At that point, all graduate courses and grades will remain on the BS transcript, but for the graduate courses chosen to be applied towards the MS degree, associated credits and grades will be withheld from the BS GPA calculation. These selected graduate courses must have an achieved grade of B or better in order to be applied towards the MS degree.
- Students who are not able to continue in the BSMS program may apply for regular admission to an MS program upon completion of their BS degree, and, if admitted, will be subject to the same policies as other applicants. Former BSMS students may carry over a maximum of 9 graduate credits taken during undergraduate studies, provided that these credits were not used to satisfy undergraduate degree requirements and that the grade is B or better.

### **MS Degree GPA Requirements**

- Graduate students are expected to progress in their studies and maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA at all times. Failure to do so results in the student being placed on academic probation.

- Graduate students are permitted a maximum of 2 semesters of probation, and these semesters need not be sequential in order to count towards the maximum limit. Student academic progress is evaluated at the end of the fall and spring semesters (and at the end of the summer for summer admits only), irrespective of Incomplete or temporary (S/U) grades, and irrespective of whether students have dropped or withdrawn from any course(s). Any student whose GPA drops below 3.0 will be placed on probation and notified by the Office of Graduate Academics.

### **On-line Enrollment**

- Students may enroll in online graduate courses (subject to any visa restrictions for international students) if appropriate courses are available.
- In cases where an online MS program is offered, students may elect to complete their MS degree online.

### **Tuition and Fees**

- Students will pay regular School of Engineering undergraduate tuition during the undergraduate portion of the program. All financial aid and scholarships can be used toward the completion of the undergraduate degree. The BS degree should be completed in 4 years. If more time is needed, students may file an appeal for continued financial aid.
- Students in the BSMS program are eligible for a scholarship covering 50% of tuition and registration fees for credits required during the MS portion of the program. The scholarship is provided only after the completion of the BS degree and upon matriculation into a graduate program. It is calculated on the basis of the remaining credits needed to complete the MS degree. The graduate tuition scholarship will be available for a maximum of twelve months from the start of the student's first term in the graduate program after the conferral of the BS degree.

### **Application Deadlines**

For the fall term - March 1st of the previous spring term

For the spring term - October 1st of the previous fall term

### **Advising**

Questions about the administrative aspects of the BSMS program should be directed to the Office of Undergraduate Academics and the Office of Graduate Academics. These offices can provide advisement about issues such as:

- Program eligibility
- Application process
- Departmental contact information for academic advisement purposes

### **Contact Information**

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### **Departments**

If you have specific questions about the BSMS program and the curriculum, please contact the departmental adviser(s) of the department(s) in which you would like to complete your degrees. Advisers can assist you with course selection and sequencing, and enrollment of undergraduate students into graduate courses.

**Contact Information:** NYU TSOE Bulletin - <http://bulletin.engineering.nyu.edu/> or from the UGA/GA Offices.