

# CRITERIA FOR GRADUATE COURSEWORK

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Graduate course work focuses on advanced disciplinary content, usually as an extension of the discipline content presented at the undergraduate level. When graduate work introduces basic concepts, it typically introduces discipline content that is not offered at the undergraduate level and is dependent upon knowledge acquired at the undergraduate level. In addition, introductory graduate course work may be delivered in an accelerated way to develop a knowledge base for an individual who possesses an undergraduate degree in another field or for individuals who seek to broaden their undergraduate preparation.

Graduate course work employs instructional methods that require more self-directed learning on the part of the student. Course work will require extensive use of campus learning resources including the university library, specialized laboratories, and computing facilities. Course work is more specialized and program-specific, which contributes to the student's career goals and various enhancements leading to certification, licensure and career advancement.

Graduate course work shall be taught only by graduate faculty or by other qualified faculty as determined by the Graduate Council. Course work shall be taught in formats that allow adequate reflection and integration of learning.