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Concurrent Graduate Degree Programs Plan of Study

Office of Graduate Enrollment Services, The Pennsylvania State University, 114 Kern Graduate Building, University Park, PA 16802-3396; (814) 865-1795 (phone); (814) 863-4627 (fax)

Student name (last, first, middle initial) | **9-digit Penn State ID number** | **GPA Cumulative**

Home Degree (M.A., D.Ed., etc.) | **Home program** | **Graduation Semester**

Concurrent Degree (M.A., D.Ed., etc.) | **Concurrent program** | **Graduation Semester**

Courses required for home program:

Indicate shared courses with an asterisk (*).

Course abbreviation and number	Credits
Total	

☐ Thesis Required

☐ Non-Thesis Option (Must indicate MP or NR) ☐ NR ☐ MP

Courses required for concurrent program:

Indicate shared courses with an asterisk (*).

Course abbreviation and number	Credits
Total	

☐ Thesis Required

☐ Non-Thesis Option (Must indicate MP or NR) ☐ NR ☐ MP

In the space provided, detail your rationale for pursuing the concurrent degree by specifically addressing why your home degree, research, education goals, or related career goals require interdisciplinary graduate-level study so extensive that a Graduate Minor is insufficient and a concurrent degree is appropriate (attach additional page if needed).

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Approval of a Concurrent Degree Proposal and Integrated Study Plan requires separate approval and endorsement by the student, the home and concurrent degree program advisers and committee chairs where applicable, the home and concurrent degree program heads, and the Graduate School in accordance with the Graduate School's policy on concurrent degrees.

Student endorsement signals:
- Agreement to pursue the home and concurrent degrees as described in the plan;
- Understanding that home degree funding commitments may not be applied to cover expenses related to the pursuit of the concurrent degree;
- Understanding that approval to pursue a concurrent degree does not extend or otherwise modify funding commitments made by the home degree program, the Graduate School, or the University.

Home degree adviser and committee chair endorsement signals:
- Agreement that the proposed concurrent degree program is part of a well-balanced, unified and complete program of study related to the degree the student was admitted to pursue and/or supports related career goals;
- Agreement that the student is sufficiently strong to successfully pursue the additional coursework, research/ scholarship/culminating experience work as described in the plan, without compromising the home degree;
- Agreement to work with the student as described in the Integrated Study Plan.

Concurrent degree adviser and committee chair endorsement signals:
- Agreement that the student is sufficiently strong to successfully pursue the additional coursework, research/ scholarship/culminating experience work as described in the plan, and fully met the expectations for all students in the concurrent degree program.
- Agreement to work with the student as described in the Integrated Study Plan.

Home degree program head endorsement signals:
- Agreement that the plan is consistent with the planned home program degree requirements and standards;
- Agreement that the plan meets the requirements of the home degree program with no more than 20% of the required course credits allowed to double count between the home and concurrent degree programs (see example in Statement of Policy/Overlapping Concurrent and Home Degree Requirements).

Concurrent degree program head endorsement signals:
- Agreement that the plan is consistent with the concurrent degree program's requirements and standards;
- Agreement that the plan meets the requirements of the concurrent degree program with no more than 20% of the required course credits allowed to double count between the home and concurrent degree programs.

If approved by all parties the Concurrent Degree Proposal and Integrated Study Plan shall be filed with the Office of Graduate Enrollment Services in the Graduate School and a copy maintained by both the home and concurrent degree program heads, advisers, and committee chairs.

Student (signature)	Date	Concurrent degree Adviser approval (signature)	Date
Home degree Adviser approval (signature)	Date	Concurrent degree Program Head approval (signature)	Date
Home degree Program Head approval (signature)	Date	Graduate Enrollment Services approval (signature)	Date

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