FAST TRACK Information

Undergraduate students from the School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences may begin to work on a master’s degree before graduation.

Qualified seniors who are within 30 hours of graduation may take up to a maximum of 15 credit hours of approved graduate courses. These graduate hours may be used to complete a bachelor’s degree and to satisfy requirements for a master’s degree.

Students interested in Fast Track should consult with Christina Rhodes and complete an application form. The best time to apply is prior to the final 30 semester credit hours of work for a bachelor’s degree.

Requirements to Take Graduate Courses

- Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.50 (overall and in their major) at UTD to take graduate classes.
- Students must be within 30 hours of graduation.
- Approval from the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, Graduate Program Head/Faculty Advisor, and Dean of Graduate Studies.

Fast Track Completion Requirements for Entry to Graduate Program

- Students must complete a minimum of 6 hours (maximum of 15 hours) of graduate course work approved by the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Graduate Program Head/Faculty Advisor to qualify for Fast Track admission into an EPPS master’s program.
- Completion of all graduate course work taken as an undergraduate with a grade of B or higher in each course.
- Graduation in an EPPS major with a grade point average of at least 3.5 overall and in the major.
- Students who successfully complete the Fast Track requirements do NOT need to complete the graduate application, letters of recommendation, the GRE, or the personal narrative to apply to an EPPS master’s program.

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