

Five-Year Baccalaureate/Master's Programs – FAQs

Q. How does a Monmouth University applicant gain acceptance into a 5-year plan?

A. In addition to meeting the regular standards for MU admission, an applicant must also have a minimum cumulative HS GPA of 3.25, as well as an SAT score of 1160/ or ACT score of 24.

Q. What if a student decides later to pursue a 5-year plan?

A. At the academic department's discretion, a student with a declared major may be added to the plan, as long as less than 90 credits have been completed. The department should advise the Office of the Registrar via FORM, "5-Year Plan – Enrollment."

Q. How do I know which students in my department are currently enrolled?

A. There are three tools available:

- *XMAJ Datatel screen (students must be registered to be included on XMAJ list)*
- *The Academic Audit will state that the student is following a 5-yr plan*
- *Weekly, the Office of the Registrar will email a PDF file listing all enrolled students.*

Q. Once enrolled, what criteria must be met in order for a student to remain in the program?

A. Beginning with the completion of sophomore year, a student must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 and a 3.00 major GPA. Additionally, at the completion of junior year, a student must have completed 96 credits. If a student no longer qualifies, the department should notify the Registrar's Office via regol@monmouth.edu.

Q. Does a 5-year student still need to submit Graduate School admission application?

A. Yes, during senior year. Furthermore, the student must also submit an Application for Graduation e-FORM for the Baccalaureate degree, and again for the Master's degree.

Q. Many 5-year programs require that the student begin to take graduate coursework during the senior year of their undergraduate study. How does the UG student register for GR coursework?

A. By submitting the e-FORM titled, 5-YR Plan – GR Registration. Conditions for approval of the request to take the graduate coursework can be found on the form.

Q. Besides a reduced length of study, what other benefits exist for the student in a 5-year program?

A. The Graduate School application fee, recommendation letters, and essay requirements will be waived. Also, students who are currently residing in University-sponsored housing are eligible to participate in the housing selection process for their fifth year.

Q. Where can I get more information?

A. A general overview of the plan can be found in the MU Undergraduate catalog. Our website contains more specific information on how the plan works - including admissions criteria, available programs, and sequence charts. The Office of the Registrar will be happy to answer additional questions.