This graduation application should be completed by students seeking a Master’s degree, Educational Specialist degree, or a Graduate Certificate. Students seeking a Doctoral degree should follow the guidelines here. As you work through the application, each step auto-saves and a timestamp is placed each time an application is approved, sent back or received.

*Expected graduation term should be the semester in which you will complete coursework and degree requirements. Registration for, or participation in, commencement is in no way tied to the graduation application.*

A few exceptions:
- If you are a doctoral student who is earning your Master’s along the way, please complete this form first, so that we can enable the application to accept the application for your master’s degree.
- MSW students with Advanced Standing coursework will upload their Advanced Standing coursework, within the app.

This is a two step process -
1. First, you must complete Registration’s Apply to Graduate - through MyView.
2. Complete the Graduate School’s M4/G10 Graduation Application

**STEP ONE - Registration’s Apply to Graduate App Process**

Students must complete Registration’s Apply to Graduate Application PRIOR to completing the M4 and/or G10.

   a. Log into MyView - Navigate to - Self Service -> Degree Progress -> Graduation

   b. Make sure that your degree & emphasis area are correct in MyView before starting the grad app processes.

**STEP TWO - Graduate School Graduation Application Process**

Log into the M4/G10 Application - M4 - [http://umsl.edu/go/M4](http://umsl.edu/go/M4) - G10 - [http://umsl.edu/go/G10](http://umsl.edu/go/G10)

1. The first screen will list the degree programs in which you are active in and the program status. Choose the degree program from which you wish to graduate. If you are requesting more than one degree or graduate certificate, you will need to complete a separate application for each one.

   a. You can only apply for a degree in a program in which you are active. If your *degree program* in MyView is incorrect, you will need to [apply to the correct degree program through the Graduate School](http://umsl.edu/go/G10) and be accepted before you can file for graduation. You should notify your advisor and Graduate Program Director so that they can process your application as soon as it is available.
b. If the degree is correct, but the emphasis area [subplan] is incorrect, ask your advisor or Graduate Program Director to complete the form here, to initiate a subplan change - [http://umsl.edu/go/SubPlanChange](http://umsl.edu/go/SubPlanChange)

2. After you have selected the degree program,
   a. Choose your advisor from the list - if your advisor does not appear in the list, contact your GPD.
   b. Choose your Graduate Program Director [GPD]

Choosing Coursework
- Continue to scroll down to see the coursework that you have enrolled in throughout your UMSL graduate career.

- If you are an MSW student who has Advanced Standing courses, upload that document before choosing coursework - this option available ONLY TO MSW students.

- Click on the courses that comprise your degree program - selected courses are highlighted blue. A second click will deselect the course. The selected courses should meet the requirements for your degree. Selections auto-save as you go.
Choosing Coursework - continued

Looking for coursework from another University? In order for this coursework to appear, you must have filed a Transfer Credit [G3] form. After this form is processed, the coursework will show for you to select. The application auto saves after each step. If necessary, you can log out and return to your application after your G3 is processed. Do not submit an incomplete application.

a. At the bottom of the screen-
   i. Selected coursework hours are added up [Plan Hours],
   ii. Cumulative [all graduate coursework at UMSL] GPA is calculated,
   iii. Program [selected courses] GPA is calculated, and
   iv. Any in progress hours are listed separately - these hours are not yet calculated in plan hours or GPA, as no grade has been awarded.
   v. Total of Plan Hours + Plan in Progress Hours should equal at least the minimum # of hours required for the degree or graduate certificate.
      1. You must select a minimum of 18 cr hrs for the Graduate Certificate app to advance
      2. You must select a minimum of 30 cr hrs for the Master’s or Ed. Specialist app to advance.
      3. Be sure to select enough hours to meet the minimum for your degree/graduate certificate - each program is different.

| Cumulative GPA: 3.671 | Plan Hours [includes IP hours]: 30 | Plan GPA: 3.6 | Plan In Progress Hours: 9 |

b. The last section indicates Exit Requirements - not all programs have an exit requirement. Be sure to check with your advisor about the requirements for your degree – checking an Exit Requirement, indicates that an M2 must be on file by the time of your degree conferral. If an Exit Requirement is chosen and an approved [both Part A & B] M2 is not on file by the end of the semester you are applying to graduate, you will be removed from the graduation list and will need to reapply for graduation in a future semester.

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- All Counseling M.Ed. students should select Comprehensive Exam
- Programs requiring a thesis, should select Thesis
- Programs requiring a scholarly paper, should select Scholarly Paper

If there is no Exit Requirement [most programs] – then select No Exit Requirement for this degree program.

- Comprehensive Exam
- Thesis
- Scholarly Paper
- Exit Course
- Exit Project
- No Exit Requirement for this degree program

c. Click Next to advance your application.

Next

At this point your draft application is saved but not submitted. Both you and your advisor can log back in and edit the application, e.g. Change the course selection. If you discover an error, click BACK to make the changes, then NEXT.
Submitting Application

- At the bottom of the application, you must read the blue text box, check the box and then click Submit Application. This box contains very important information in regards to enrollment in the semester in which you are applying to graduate - if you are not enrolled in the semester in which you are receiving your degree - you will be enrolled in the Grad Exam.

- After submission, your application moves forward to the Advisor’s queue. You can track the progress by following the status bar, available within the app. The form follows the approval path: student submits, advisor reviews/approves, graduate program director reviews/approves, then the form moves to the Graduate School office. The form is reviewed at each step and, if any errors are found, will be returned to the student to make corrections and resubmit. Advisors and Graduate Program Directors cannot edit a submitted application, but if an application is returned to the student, it is open to editing by both the student and the advisor, until it is re-submitted. It is your responsibility, as a student, to make the corrections and resubmit by the required deadlines.

- The Student’s Application [Step One] in the status bar will be highlighted yellow, if-
  - The student drops a class after submitting the application
  - GPA [Cumulative or Program] drops below 3.0
- If your application is denied, it will be returned to you, and you will be notified via UMSL e-mail. Your application will include specific notes about what needs to be remedied before you resubmit it.
- You can log in at any time to see where your application stands. Advisors and Graduate Program Directors will be notified weekly of applications awaiting their review and approval. Students will be notified if the application is denied or needs review. A comment section within the app will denote the requested changes from the Advisor or Graduate Program Director.
- After your Graduate Program Director approves the application, it moves forward to the Rcvd by Grad School orb [Step Four], and you will be placed on the graduation list.
- The graduation applications will be reviewed by the Grad School twice, once at initial submission and again after final grades are entered. Final grades are not due until after the semester is over - typically the third week in May, August and December. After final grades are entered, the graduation applications will be reviewed. If everything is OK, Graduate School Approval [Step Five] will turn yellow. Our office will contact you via UMSL e-mail, if there are any issues [GPA, cumulative and program, below 3.0 - DL grades, etc.].

If you have any questions, please contact our office via email at GradSchool@umsl.edu or by phone at 314-516-5900. Be sure to have your UMSL student ID # on hand so that we can more effectively assist you.