



## **BACHELOR'S/MASTER'S DUAL LEVEL ENROLLMENT STATUS**

### **What is it?**

A special provision allowing qualified advanced undergraduates to take up to a total of 9 graduate credits during their final terms of enrollment. **No more than 9 graduate credits may be earned under the dual level status (6 maximum in a semester, 3 maximum in a summer session).** Total enrolled credits for the two levels cannot exceed 16 for the semester, of which no more than 6 credits can be graduate level. The total credits carried during a summer session cannot exceed one credit per week, and no more than 3 credits can be graduate level.

### **Who may apply?**

UW-Stout students who are within 30 credits and no more than 1 year of obtaining a bachelor's degree, and whose cumulative GPA is at least 2.75. (Note: Some programs require a higher GPA.)

### **How can I apply?**

Complete both the application for admission/enrollment and the Dual Level Status form (see reverse side). Both are available from the Graduate School. Both your undergraduate and graduate program directors will work with you to plan your coursework. Register for graduate credit can begin once your application for admission/enrollment to the Graduate School has been processed.

### **Why is it useful?**

Students have an opportunity to “try on” graduate level coursework to see how well it fits their needs, without committing a full semester of time and resources to do so.

### **What are the tuition/fees?**

Bachelor's/master's dual level enrollees pay tuition according to the level of the course for which they enroll, i.e. graduate tuition is charged for graduate courses and undergraduate tuition for undergraduate courses.

### **How can I avoid problems?**

Remember that changes in your course load – “drop/adds” will need to be discussed with, and approved by, the program directors for both degree levels.

Be certain to complete all requirements for your bachelor's degree including final graduation in the term indicated on your application papers. Not to do so means you will be dropped from the Graduate School which would prevent you from taking any further graduate courses.

Financial aid eligibility and amounts may be affected by your dual status. Check with the Financial Aid Office if you have questions.

### **Time Limit?**

All credits toward a master's degree, including those taken under dual level status, must be completed within the seven years prior to the awarding of the degree.