The Boston University Dual Degree Program (DDP) is a double degree program that differs from a double major. It is a much more involved program that requires students to satisfy all major department and all college requirements for both colleges of enrollment.

Honors, distinction and disciplinary rules are administered independently by both of the colleges involved. The same is true of graduation rules, deadlines and certification. Two separate diplomas will be awarded only at the time that requirements for both degrees have been completed.

DDP is a serious endeavor and requires much thought and preparation. Students considering DDP should read through the appropriate sections of the Boston University bulletin pertaining to both areas of study, and become familiar with the college requirements for both the primary (home) and proposed secondary school.

**These requirements and policies are non-negotiable:**

DDP students must complete a minimum of 144 credits, and at least 36 courses to obtain both degrees. This is equivalent to nine semesters of coursework, and additional courses may be needed to complete all requirements. By utilizing Advanced Placement credits or enrolling in pre-approved summer courses, DDP students are usually able to graduate on time with their class.

DDP students most often choose one degree program from the College of Communication (COM) and combine this with more specialized training in one of the other schools or colleges within the university. For COM students, the DDP works best with the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), because many of their requirements overlap. While it is possible to enroll in two of the professional schools (ex. COM/Questrom), such a program often requires extensive additional coursework. As such, it may be more realistic to consider the completion of a single undergraduate degree, followed by graduate study in another field.

Applications to the DDP are invited no earlier than the first semester of sophomore year and no later than the beginning of the second semester of junior year. Transfer students must complete at least one full-time semester before applying.

A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 is required for consideration. In addition, completion of appropriate prerequisite coursework is required. It is expected that you will have taken a course or two in each field of study in which you will seek a degree.

Students must complete a gateway course before being allowed to participate in the program. All students pursuing DDP must complete COM CO 101 with a C or higher and have a 3.0 or higher overall GPA. All students must be in good standing.