



# DoubleDawgs®

*Bachelor's / Accelerated Master's*



UNIVERSITY OF  
**GEORGIA**  
Office of Instruction

# Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees in 5 Years or Less



# What is Double Dawgs?

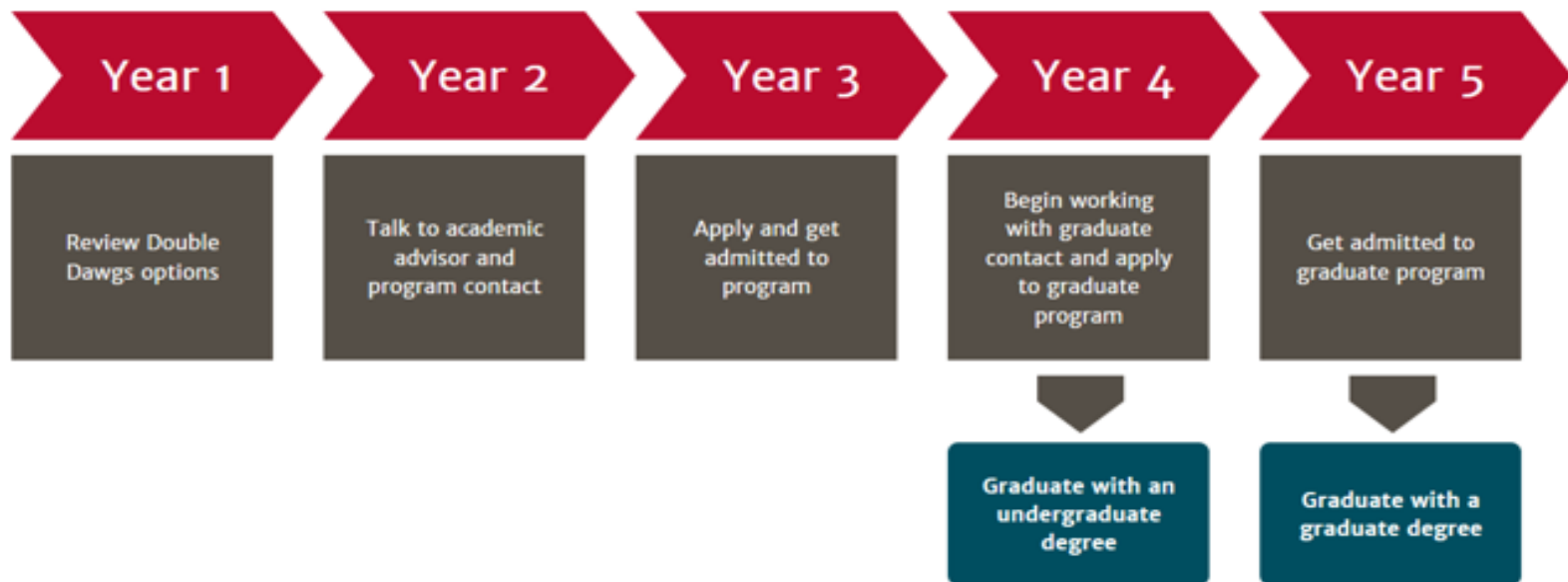
- The Double Dawgs program combines undergraduate and graduate programs into pathways that allow qualified students to complete a bachelor's degree and master's degree in five years or less.
- Through the Double Dawgs program, students take up to 12 credit hours of graduate-level courses as an undergraduate student that may be used to satisfy both undergraduate and graduate program requirements.
- By earning both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in five years or less, students can save time and money while positioning themselves for success after graduation.
- More than 200 pathways are currently approved and offered by 16 schools and colleges. New pathways continue to be approved on an ongoing basis.
- Pathways can include undergraduate and graduate programs within: one department in one school/college; two departments in one school/college; two departments in different schools/colleges



# Student Timeline

This is a general timeline that shows how a student will progress through a *typical* Double Dawgs pathway.

- The timeline may vary by pathway and/or based on the number of credit hours a student has when they begin the pathway.
- Details regarding pathway-specific deadlines and sample programs of study for each specific Double Dawgs pathway can be found on the Double Dawgs website, [doubledawgs.uga.edu](http://doubledawgs.uga.edu).



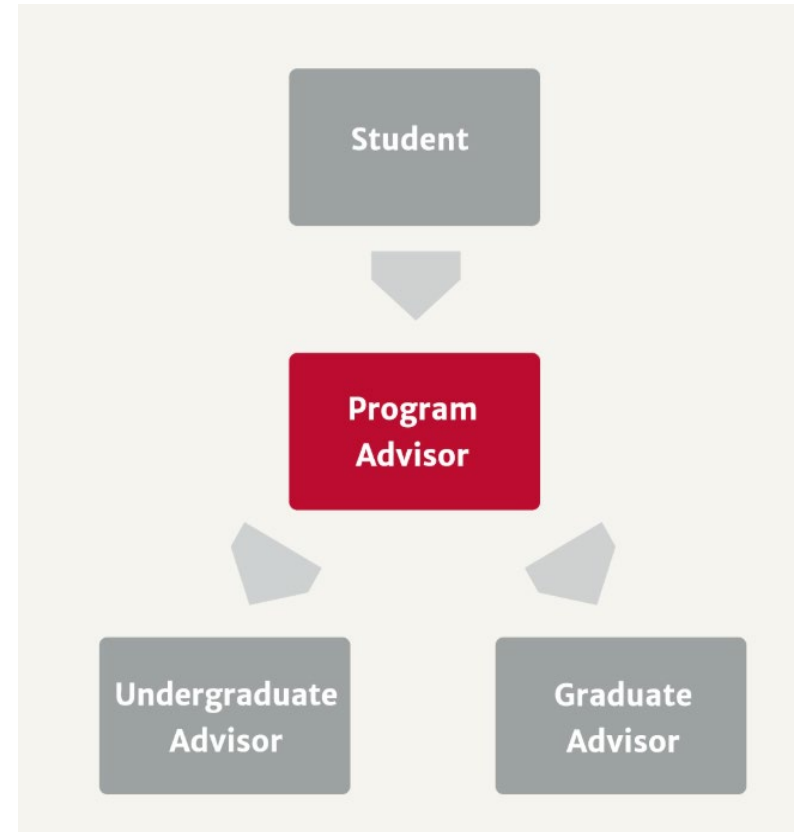
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- Year 1: student reviews the available Double Dawgs pathways on the Double Dawgs website
- Year 2: student talks to advisor(s) about the pathway(s) of interest and discusses any courses needed in order to apply to the pathway in year 3
- Year 3: student applies and gains acceptance to their desired pathway
- Year 4:
  - student takes graduate-level courses that apply to both the undergraduate and graduate degree
  - student applies to the Graduate School and gains acceptance to the graduate program
  - student graduates with the bachelor's degree at the end of year 4
    - *If a student chooses not to continue or is not admitted to the graduate school, the student may still use the graduate-level coursework they completed as an undergraduate student toward completion of the bachelor's degree.*
- Year 5: student takes graduate-level courses exclusively and graduates with the master's degree at the end of year 5



# Advisor Roles

- **Program advisor:** Individual(s) who will help provide further information regarding the pathway (i.e. application and admission, curriculum, etc.)
- **Undergraduate advising contact:** Individual(s) who can provide further guidance to students regarding the undergraduate degree program requirements
- **Graduate advising contact:** Individual(s) who can provide further guidance to students regarding the graduate degree program requirements



# Applying to a Double Dawgs Pathway

- Students use the Athena Double Dawgs application to express an interest in a Double Dawgs pathway and to formally apply to a Double Dawgs pathway.
- Students work with the program advisor to follow the program-specific application process, typically in their third year.
- Using the criteria established by each program, students are accepted or denied entrance into the pathway.
- Acceptance into the pathway allows students to take the required graduate-level courses that will satisfy both the undergraduate and graduate degree requirements.
- Acceptance to the pathway does not guarantee admission to the graduate program.



# Applying to the Graduate Program

- Students work with the graduate advisor to apply to the graduate program, typically during their fourth year, through the Graduate School's Admission Application.
- Each Double Dawgs pathway has its own requirements for graduate admission.
- Admission to the graduate program should be effective for a term after the undergraduate degree is awarded.
- Student completes and graduates with master's degree at the end of the fifth year.





# Student Eligibility

- The Double Dawgs program is available for all qualified undergraduate students regardless of admission type (Freshman/Transfer) or credit hours earned.
- Criteria for acceptance into a Double Dawgs pathway is determined by the department(s) offering the pathway.
- The Double Dawgs program requires that students complete both the undergraduate degree and graduate degree in 5 years or less, with the undergraduate degree being completed by the end of the fourth year.
  - For transfer students, the timeframe for completion is determined based on the student's UGA matriculation date and the number of earned transfer hours. For example, if a transfer student enters UGA with 30 earned hours, they are considered a sophomore and therefore have 3 years to finish the undergraduate degree.



# Departmental Funding Incentive

- Departments will receive funding for each student who completes a pathway in 5 years or less.
  - Students must complete both the undergraduate degree and graduate degree in 5 years or less, with the undergraduate degree being completed by the end of the fourth year.
- Funding will be allocated as follows:
  - \$1800 to the department of the graduate program
  - \$1200 to the department of the undergraduate program



# Registration and Courses

- After acceptance into a pathway, students may register for graduate-level courses in Athena without an override.
- Students can take up to 12 hours of graduate-level courses as an undergraduate student that count toward both the undergraduate and graduate degree program requirements.
  - ***Beginning at the 13<sup>th</sup> credit hour of graduate-level coursework, students must be admitted to a graduate program for any additional graduate-level credit to satisfy graduate degree program requirements.***
- The number of graduate-level courses an undergraduate student can take toward completion of their undergraduate degree requirements only is not limited. However, students should talk to their advisor to ensure that any graduate-level courses taken will satisfy their undergraduate degree requirements.



# Registration and Courses

- The graduate-level courses that undergraduate students take while still pursuing the undergraduate degree will:
  - appear with the UG (undergraduate) course level in Banner
  - be included in their undergraduate GPA, Latin honors and Dean's list, and in DegreeWorks
  - appear on the student's undergraduate transcript
- When a student is admitted to the graduate degree after having completed the undergraduate degree, the Graduate School will add the GM (graduate) course level on the student's record up to the maximum of 12 credit hours of graduate courses that can be used to satisfy both the undergraduate and graduate degree.
- Once the GM course level is added to the courses, they will appear on the graduate transcript and in the graduate GPA.



# Tracking Double Dawgs Students

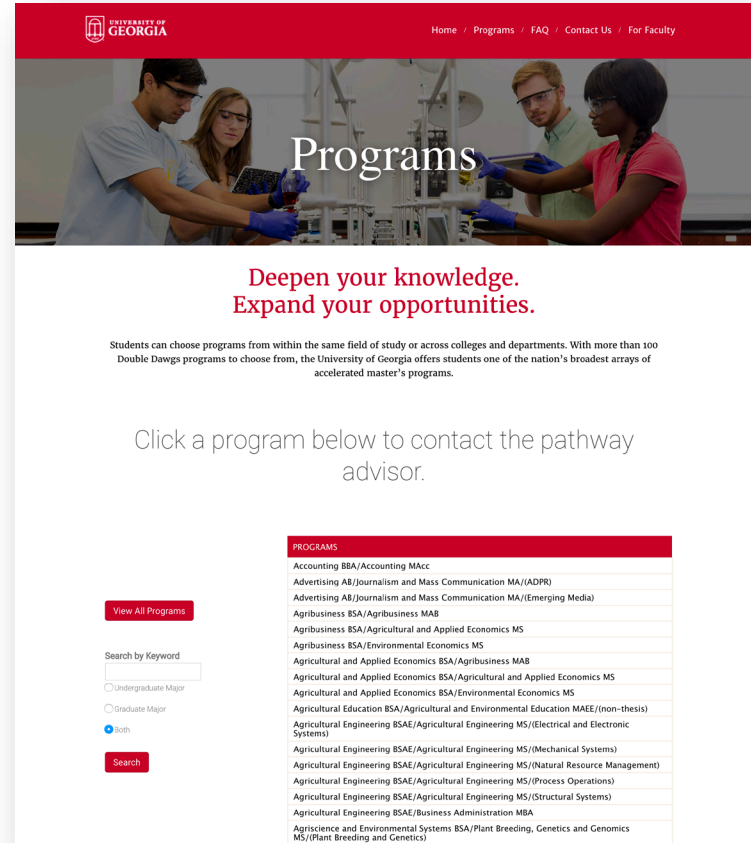
- A Double Dawgs student tracking application is available online in Athena.
- The application allows:
  - students to express an interest in a Double Dawgs pathway.
  - students to apply for admission to a Double Dawgs pathway. (*this application does not circumvent the departmental application process*)
  - pathway contacts to approve and deny application requests.
  - departments to track and report Double Dawgs students.
- A Double Dawgs tracking report is available in Argos.



# Double Dawgs Website

The Double Dawgs website contains information for both students and faculty/advisors, including:

- List of approved programs
  - Program-specific information
  - Program contacts
- Student Stories
- FAQs
- Link to program proposal system and faculty/advisor help



The screenshot shows the Double Dawgs website interface. At the top, there is a red navigation bar with the University of Georgia logo and the text "UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA" on the left, and "Home / Programs / FAQ / Contact Us / For Faculty" on the right. Below the navigation bar is a large image of four students in a laboratory setting, with the word "Programs" overlaid in white text. Underneath the image, the text reads "Deepen your knowledge. Expand your opportunities." followed by a paragraph: "Students can choose programs from within the same field of study or across colleges and departments. With more than 100 Double Dawgs programs to choose from, the University of Georgia offers students one of the nation's broadest arrays of accelerated master's programs." Below this is a call to action: "Click a program below to contact the pathway advisor." At the bottom, there is a search section with a "View All Programs" button, a "Search by Keyword" input field, and radio buttons for "Undergraduate Major", "Graduate Major", and "Both". A "Search" button is also present. To the right of the search section is a list of programs under the heading "PROGRAMS".

**PROGRAMS**

- Accounting BBA/Accounting MAcc
- Advertising AB/Journalism and Mass Communication MA/(ADPR)
- Advertising AB/Journalism and Mass Communication MA/(Emerging Media)
- Agribusiness BSA/Agribusiness MAB
- Agribusiness BSA/Agricultural and Applied Economics MS
- Agribusiness BSA/Environmental Economics MS
- Agricultural and Applied Economics BSA/Agribusiness MAB
- Agricultural and Applied Economics BSA/Agricultural and Applied Economics MS
- Agricultural and Applied Economics BSA/Environmental Economics MS
- Agricultural Education BSA/Agricultural and Environmental Education MAEE/(non-thesis)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Electrical and Electronic Systems)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Mechanical Systems)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Natural Resource Management)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Process Operations)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Structural Systems)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Agricultural Engineering MS/(Structural Systems)
- Agricultural Engineering BSAE/Business Administration MBA
- Agriculture and Environmental Systems BSA/Plant Breeding, Genetics and Genomics MS/(Plant Breeding and Genetics)



# Double Dawgs Website: Program-Specific Information

The following information is listed for each approved Double Dawgs program:

- Career and academic opportunities
- 5-year sample program of study
- Pathway admission requirements
- Graduate admission requirements
- Advising contact information
- Utility to email program advisor

## Agribusiness BSA/Agribusiness MAB(non-thesis)

M.A.B. students learn how to address issues in personnel management, investments, firm acquisitions, food and fiber international marketing, and commodity trading. This professional, non-thesis degree will allow you to explore a wide variety of courses and make industry contacts leading to exciting career opportunities. M.A.B. graduates from UGA are hired by leading U.S. and international firms and organizations such as Monsanto, Kubota Tractor, Sun Trust Bank, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, University of Georgia, MetLife, and more.

[VIEW 5-YEAR SAMPLE PROGRAM OF STUDY](#)

### Admission to Program

Students will be able to apply for admission after completion of 60-90 hours in the Agribusiness B.S.A. program.

Students must have completed AAEC 2580, AAEC 3580, and ACCT 2101 and received a grade of B or better in each class.

### Curriculum

#### Graduate-level courses that may be used to satisfy undergraduate and graduate program requirements.

B.S.A. Major Elective satisfied with M.A.B. elective (3 hrs), 9 hours of B.S.A. General Electives satisfied with AAEC 6730 (3 hrs), AAEC 6640 (3 hrs), and AAEC 6980 (3 hrs).

#### Additional requirements that are unique to this Double Dawgs program:

Students must choose one of two tracks: Farm Management or Business of Ag Manufacturing & Retailing. Course denoted as [Track] will be determined by which track the student selects. Either track can lead to M.A.B.

### Admission to Graduate Program

Students must have taken the GRE and received a combined score of 290 or better.

### Program Advisor

Name: Jo Anne Norris  
Email: [janorris@uga.edu](mailto:janorris@uga.edu)  
Phone: 706-542-2481  
Address: 301 Conner Hall

[EMAIL PROGRAM ADVISOR](#)

### Undergraduate Major Information

Major: Agribusiness (also offered at Griffin and Tifton) B.S.A.  
Department/College: Agricultural and Applied Economics

#### ADVISING CONTACT

Name: John Bergstrom  
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Phone: 706-542-0749  
Address: 208 Conner Hall

### Graduate Major Information

Major: Agribusiness M.A.B.  
Department/College: Agricultural and Applied Economics

#### ADVISING CONTACT

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Phone: 706-542-0767  
Address: 315 Conner Hall



# Double Dawgs Website: Exploring New Pathways



## Explore a New Double Dawgs Program

If you are interested in a Double Dawgs program that you don't see on this website, please email or call the relevant [undergraduate](#) or [graduate](#) contact person to find out more about creating a new Double Dawgs program specific to your interests. If you need additional assistance after speaking with the undergraduate or graduate contact person, or if you have other questions, please contact the Double Dawgs program at [doubledawgs@uga.edu](mailto:doubledawgs@uga.edu).

- Students are provided departmental contact information should they desire to suggest a pathway that does not currently exist.
- While a student can suggest a pathway, departments will decide if the request is feasible and determine if they are interested in proposing the suggested pathway for approval.







## **Double Dawgs Website: Faculty/Advisor Information**

- The faculty/advisor portal can be accessed through the For Faculty/Advisors link on the Double Dawgs website.
- This portal contains links to:
  - Double Dawgs proposal system
  - Pending proposals
  - Instructions regarding the submission process
  - Promotional toolkit with approved logos and branding guidelines
  - Advisor training information

*If you know of other resources that may be useful, please email [doubledawgs@uga.edu](mailto:doubledawgs@uga.edu) to let us know. We can add them to the Faculty/Advisor Resources page.*



# Financial Aid

- Please refer students with questions about financial aid to the Office of Student Financial Aid
- Open Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm
- (706) 542-6147
- [osfa@uga.edu](mailto:osfa@uga.edu)

[ofsa.uga.edu](https://ofsa.uga.edu)

[ofsa.uga.edu/policies/student-eligibility/uga-advantage/](https://ofsa.uga.edu/policies/student-eligibility/uga-advantage/)



**Questions?**

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