Degrees by Distance Education. Three degrees

especially designed to allow the enrollment of qualified students in special classes including workshops and guest students from other universities.

Permission to take classes status is for

- Applicants who have no intention of earning a graduate degree from Andrews University
- Graduate students who are not enrolled at Andrews University and who wish to take classes as guest students
- Students who have applied for admission to a graduate program but, for some reason, the application has not yet been completely processed. In such cases, PTC status is available for one semester only.

Enrollment on a PTC basis does not guarantee or imply future admission to a degree program. Normally, transcripts are not required for PTC enrollment. PTC enrollment must be requested at registration each semester that the student wishes to enroll in a course on PTC basis. Courses taken on a PTC basis generally do not count toward a graduate degree. However, up to 8 credits (15 in some Theological Seminary programs) may be applied by petition after the student has applied for and been accepted into a graduatedegree program. The request should be filed during the first semester the student is enrolled in the graduate program. Petitions are evaluated on an individual basis. They are not automatically approved. Students registered on a PTC basis cannot have dual enrollment. When the department and school reach a decision in response to a student's request, they will inform the student in writing as to the status of his/her acceptance: regular, provisional, or denial.

DUAL ENROLLMENT STATUS

Dual enrollment is available to graduate students who want to get undergraduate credits toward an additional undergraduate degree while working at the same time on a graduate degree. This status is also available to graduate students who want to pursue two graduate degrees at the same time.

Graduate and Undergraduate Enrollment

The student must satisfy *all* of the following requirements:

- Have completed a four-year baccalaureate degree from an accredited American university or senior college, or its equivalent
- Be accepted on regular or provisional status in a graduate program at Andrews University
- Normally take no more than 16 credits combined graduate and undergraduate each semester.

The limitations on the undergraduate credits taken are the following:

- Credits earned toward the additional baccalaureate degree may not be used also to count towards the total necessary for completion of the graduate program
- The GPA on undergraduate credit does not count toward the graduate GPA.

Graduate and Graduate Enrollment

The student must satisfy *all* of the following requirements:

- Have completed a four-year baccalaureate degree from an accredited American university or senior college, or its equivalent
- Be accepted on a regular or provisional basis into the two graduate programs in which enrollment is desired
- Submit a planned program for completion of the two graduate programs to advisors from both programs for their approval. The advisors must meet with and counsel the student regarding the planned program prior to approval. Until such approval, the student is admitted to the dual enrollment status on a

provisional basis only. When the planned program has been approved, the advisors communicate such approval to the appropriate school deans/graduate program coordinators and to the dean of the School of Graduate Studies. They, in turn, will clear the student for regular admission into the two programs. Advisors from both programs continue to approve course work on a semester to semester basis as the student continues on dual enrollment. Changes and exceptions related to the planned program must be approved through regular channels, including both schools, if more than one school is involved in the proposed graduate programs.

The limitations on the credits taken are the following:

- The student must satisfy the GPA requirements and program expectations of both programs.
- The usual regulations and limits with respect to transfer credit apply when taking two degrees at the same time. Students taking more than one master's degree at the same time may not apply more than 20% of the credits from one degree program to another degree program. Students enrolled for two degrees at different levels—for example, the EdS and the PhD—must degrees wh Stre

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Readmission of Students After Cancellation. Students whose previous admission to a graduate-degree program at Andrews University has been canceled because of academic and/or conduct reasons may reapply for admission after a reasonable period of time has passed. Under no circumstances are such students readmitted into a graduate program before at least one academic year has passed.

The reasons for the cancellation of the student's admission status, a statement of intent, a report of subsequent rehabilitation, and a record of improved scholarship and/or conduct at an other institution are all factors that are taken into account when the student reapplies for admission. The decision to approve such a reapplication for admission, as well as the status of such a student, is made by a special admissions committee composed of appropriate administrative and faculty representatives.

Academic Information

HELPFUL DOCUMENTS

Several specialized documents are available to assist students in planning their graduate programs of study, including:

The Graduate Programs Manual. The Graduate Programs Manual contains the voted minimum admission and academic standards policies for all Andrews University graduate programs except the professional seminary degrees. Copies of the manual are available for student use in all departments and schools with graduate programs.

Handbooks for Graduate Students. The Handbook for Educational Specialist Students and the Handbook for Doctoral Students may be obtained from the School of Education; the Doctoral Student Handbook may be obtained from the SDA Theological Seminary. Some master's-degree programs also have handbooks. These handbooks give detailed information about admission requirements, advanced-degree course and research requirements, and comprehensive examinations.

The doctoral handbooks also provide information about approval of the dissertation proposal, dissertation preparation, oral defense of the dissertation, and the general schedule of deadlines for doctoral students as they approach the final stages of their programs in preparation for graduation.

Standards for Written Work. *Andrews University Standards for Written Work* gives detailed instructions about formatting term papers, theses, and dissertations according to standards approved for use at Andrews University. This manual may be purchased at the University Book Store.

ACADEMIC CREDIT AND COURSE LOADS

The course load is expressed in semester credits. A semester credit represents a class with one 50-minute class period or equivalent each week for one semester. Thus, a 3-credit class ordinarily meets three periods (150 minutes) each week and requires additional appropriate time for class preparation.

Course Loads. The normal full-time graduate course load is 8-12 credits each semester (9-16 credits for MDiv students). Loads in excess of a full load must be approved by the advisor and the appropriate dean/graduate program coordinator before completing

registration. Students may not take more than 16 credits during a regular semester or 16 credits during any combination of sessions offered during a single summer. Students engaged in part-time employment must talk with their advisors and adjust their course loads accordingly.

Credits for Workshops and Independent Study. Normally, master's-degree students may accumulate up to 6 appropriate work-shop/tour credits and up to 6 independent study credits toward a degree with a maximum of 9 credits combined. If workshops are