DEGREE PROGRAMS

Degree Programs By Schools and Departments

The following list includes the graduate degrees offered through The Graduate School.

African, African-American, and Diaspora Studies –


American Studies –


Folklore – M.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text), Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)


Applied Physical Science –

Materials Science – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-physical-sciences/#programstext)

Applied Professional Studies – M.A.P.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-professional-studies/)

Art and Art History –


Studio Art – M.F.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#programstext)

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies - M.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/asiand-studies/)


Bioinformatics and Computational Biology – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/bioinformatics-computational-biology/#programstext)


Biomedical Engineering – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-engineering/#programstext) (joint with North Carolina State University)


Chemistry – M.A., M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/chemistry/#degreestext)

City and Regional Planning – M.C.R.P., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/city-regional-planning/#programstext)

Classics – M.A., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/classics/#programstext)

Clinical Laboratory Science - M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-laboratory-science/)

Clinical Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling –

Clinical Mental Health Counseling – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/)

Communication Studies – M.A., Ph.D. (http://comm.unc.edu/graduate-studies/)

Computer Science – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/computer-science/#programstext)

Dentistry –

Dental Hygiene Education – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Endodontics – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Operative Dentistry and Biomaterials – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Craniofacial Biomedicine – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)

Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programstext)
Orthodontics – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)

Pediatric Dentistry – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)

Periodontology – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)

Prosthodontics – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#programtext)

Dramatic Art – M.F.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dramatic-art/#programtext)


Economics – M.S., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/economics/#programtext)

Education –


Educational Innovation, Technology, and Entrepreneurship – M.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)


School Counseling – M.Ed. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)


Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)

Sociology of Education – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#programtext)

Linguistics – M.A. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/linguistics/#programtext)

Musicology – M.A., Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/music/#programtext)

Neuroscience – M.S. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#programtext)

Ph.D. (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#programtext)
Nursing – D.N.P., M.S.N., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/nursing/#programstext))

Occupational Science – M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/))

Occupational Therapy – M.S. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/))

Pathology – M.S., ([link](http://www.med.unc.edu/pathology/mcp/pbts/structure/)) Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pathology-laboratory-medicine/#programstext))

Pharmacy –
- Pharmaceutical Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#programstext))
- Regulatory Science – M.P.S. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#programstext))

Pharmacology – M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pharmacology/#programstext))

Philosophy – M.A., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/philosophy/#programstext))

Physics – M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/physics-astronomy/#programstext))

Political Science – M.A., ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#programstext)) Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#programstext))

Distance – M.A. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text)) (Trans-Atlantic Masters)

Psychology and Neuroscience –
- Psychology – M.A., ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#text)) Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#programstext))

Public Administration – M.P.A. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#programstext))

Distance – M.P.A. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#text)) (MPA@UNC)

Public Health – Master of Public Health (M.P.H. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))), MPH@UNC (distance)

Biostatistics – Dr.P.H., M.S., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Environmental Sciences and Engineering – M.S., M.S.E.E., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Epidemiology – M.S.C.R., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Health Behavior – Dr.P.H., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Health Policy and Management –
- Residential – M.H.A., M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))
- Distance – Dr.P.H. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)) in Public Health Executive Leadership, M.H.A. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)), M.S.D.M. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext)) (not active)

Maternal and Child Health –
- Residential – M.S.P.H., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))
- Distance – M.S.P.H. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Nutrition – Dr.P.H., M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#programstext))

Public Health Leadership Program

Public Policy – M.A., M.P.P., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/public-policy/#programstext))

Religious Studies – M.A., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/religious-studies/#programstext))

Romance Languages and Literatures – M.A., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/romance-studies/#text))

Social Work –
- Residential – M.S.W., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#programstext))
- Distance – M.S.W. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#programstext))

Sociology – M.A., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/sociology/))

Speech and Hearing Sciences – M.S., Ph.D. ([link](https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-speech-hearing-sciences/))

Statistics and Operations Research –
Degree Programs By Name

African Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/african-american-diaspora-studies/)

American Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)

Anthropology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/anthropology/#text)

Applied Professional Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-professional-studies/)

Art History (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#text)

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/asian-studies/)

Biochemistry and Biophysics (BBSP) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biochemistry-biophysics/#text)

Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (BBSP) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/bioinformatics-computational-biology/#text)

Biology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/#text)

Biological and Biomedical Sciences (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biological-biomedical-sciences/)

Biomedical and Health Informatics (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#text)

Biomedical Engineering (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-engineering/#text)

Biostatistics (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/bioinformatics-gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Business Administration (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/kenan-flagler-business-school/#text)

Cell Biology and Physiology (BBSP) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/cell-biology-physiology/#text)

Chemistry (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/chemistry/#text)

City and Regional Planning (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/city-regional-planning/#text)

Classics (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/classics/#text)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/#text)

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-clinical-rehabilitation-mental-health-counseling/#text)

Clinical Research (EPID) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Communication Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/communication/#text)

Computer Science (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/computer-science/#text)

Curriculum and Instruction (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Dental Hygiene Education (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

Digital Communication (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#text)

Digital Curation and Management (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text)

Dramatic Art (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dramatic-art/#text)

Ecology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/environment-ecology/#text)

Economics (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/economics/#text)

Education (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Educational Leadership (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Endodontics (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text)

English and Comparative Literature (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/english-comparative-literature/#text)

Environmental Sciences and Engineering (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Epidemiology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text)

Exercise and Sport Science (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/exercise-sport-science/#text)

Folklore (AMST) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/american-studies/#text)
Degree Programs

Genetics and Molecular Biology (BBSP) [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/genetics-molecular-biology/#text]

Geography [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/geography/#text]

Geological Sciences [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programstext]

German Studies [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/germanic-slavic-languages-literatures/#text]

Global Studies [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/global-studies/#text]

Health Behavior [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text]

Health Informatics [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biomedical-and-health-informatics/#text]

Health Policy and Management [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text]

History [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/history/#text]

Human Movement Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/human-movement-science-curriculum/#text]

Information and Library Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/information-library-science/#text]

Linguistics [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/linguistics/#text]

Marine Sciences [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/earth-marine-environment/#programstext]

Master of Arts in Teaching [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text]

Materials Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/applied-physical-sciences/#text]

Maternal and Child Health [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text]

Mathematics [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/mathematics/#text]

Media and Communication [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/media-journalism/#text]

Microbiology and Immunology (BBSP) [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/microbiology-immunology/#text]

Musicology [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/music/#text]

Neuroscience (BBSP) [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/neurobiology-curriculum/#text]

Nursing [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/nursing/#text]

Nutrition [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text]

Occupational Therapy [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/]

Occupational Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-occupational-science-occupational-therapy/]

Operative Dentistry and Biomaterials [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Oral and Craniofacial Biomedicine [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Orthodontics [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Pathology (BBSP) [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pathology-laboratory-medicine/]

Pediatric Dentistry [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Periodontology [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Pharmaceutical Sciences [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#text]

Pharmacology (BBSP) [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pharmacology/#text]

Pharmacy [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/pharmacy/#text]

Physics and Astronomy [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/physics-astronomy/#text]

Political Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text]

Prosthodontics [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/dentistry/#text]

Psychology [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/psychology-neuroscience/#text]

Public Administration [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/government/#text]

Public Health Leadership [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/gillings-school-global-public-health/#text]

Public Policy [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/public-policy/#text]

Regulatory Science [https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/eshelman-school-pharmacy/#text]
Religious Studies (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/religious-studies/#text)

Romance Languages and Literatures (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/romance-studies/#text)

School Counseling (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

School Psychology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/education/#text)

Social Work (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/social-work/#text)

Sociology (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/sociology/)

Speech and Hearing Sciences (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/division-speech-hearing-sciences/)

Statistics and Operations Research (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/statistics-operations-research/#text)

Studio Art (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/art/#text)

Toxicology (BBSP) (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/toxicology/#text)

Toxicology (PSM) (https://www.med.unc.edu/toxicology/professional-masters-studies/curriculum/)

Trans-Atlantic Masters (https://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/political-science/#text)

Master's Degree Milestones

Additional details can be found on the Graduate Handbook's Master's Degree Requirements (https://handbook.unc.edu/masters.html) page. Please consult the program's website to see which milestones apply.

Master's Committee
Members of the student's master's committee have been approved. See Thesis or Approved Substitute Requirements section.

Master's Oral Examination or Approved Exam Substitute
Student has successfully completed a required oral examination or approved exam substitute. See Examinations section.

Master's Written Examination or Approved Exam Substitute
Student has successfully completed a written exam or approved exam substitute. See Examinations section.

Master's Written Examination 2
Student has successfully completed a second (or specialty) written exam. See Examinations section.

Thesis Substitute
Student has completed an approved Master's Thesis Substitute. See Thesis or Approved Substitute Requirements section.

Thesis/Substitute Defense
Student has completed the oral defense of the thesis or approved thesis substitute. See Thesis or Approved Substitute Requirements section.

Approved Master's Thesis
Student has submitted their approved master's thesis, including revisions following its defense. See Thesis or Approved Substitute Requirements section.

Residency Credit
Student has completed the minimum program residence credit of two semesters either by full-time registration or by part-time registration over several semesters. See Credit and Residence Requirements section.

Foreign Language
Student has satisfied language requirement(s) if required by the program. See Foreign Language or Research Requirement section.

Exit Survey
Student has provided feedback on graduate education quality and experiences by completing the graduating student exit survey. See Graduating Student Exit Survey page https://gradschool.unc.edu/about/data/exit/.

Doctoral Degree Milestones

Additional details can be found on the Graduate Handbook's Doctoral Degree Requirements (https://handbook.unc.edu/phd.html) page. Please consult the program's website to see which milestones apply.

Doctoral Committee
Members of the student's doctoral committee, including a faculty research advisor and chair, have been approved by the academic program and The Graduate School. See Dissertation Requirements section.

Doctoral Oral Examination
Student has successfully completed a comprehensive oral exam. See Examination section.

Doctoral Written Examination 1
Student has successfully completed a first (or core) written exam, typically a comprehensive exam taken after completing coursework. See Examination section.
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