

Petition to Apply to the Combined BA/MA (4+1) Degree Program
College of Arts & Science
Vanderbilt University

This form should be used by Vanderbilt undergraduates to seek approval to apply to the Combined BA/MA (4+1) degree program. With the permission of the responsible undergraduate and graduate faculty, the student may be provisionally accepted into the combined degree program, pending completion of all undergraduate requirements. Application for acceptance into the combined degree program must be submitted to the participating department or program preferably in the junior year or before the end of the student's seventh semester, that is, typically, in the fall semester of the senior year, **at the latest**. Applicants must obtain the required approvals below.

NOTE: If this form is approved, you must then separately apply at the end of the senior year to the Graduate School in accordance with the regular graduate application procedure. A copy of this approved "Petition to Apply to the Combined BA/MA" must accompany your application material.

THIS IS **NOT** AN ADMISSIONS APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE STUDY AT VANDERBILT. PLEASE APPLY ONLINE AT:

<https://graduateapplications.vanderbilt.edu/>

The following departments and programs are allowing students to apply to the Combined BA/MA (4+1) Degree Program: English, French, German, History, Latin American Studies, Mathematics, Medicine, Health & Society (MHS), Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, and Religious Studies. For more information, please consult:

<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/4plus1>.

1. Meet with your Faculty Advisor and obtain signature.
2. Meet with the Director of Graduate Studies or designee in the department or program to which you are applying. The program or department's *4+1 Petition Committee* will complete the boxed items below.
3. The department or program will return this form to Dr. Martin Rapisarda, Associate Dean, College of Arts & Science, 311 Kirkland Hall.

Name of Student: _____ Date: _____
Email Address: _____ SID #: _____
Current Major: _____ Tel.# _____
Current Faculty Advisor (please print): _____
Anticipated completion date for baccalaureate: _____
Proposed Master's Degree Program (select from participating programs above):

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
Faculty Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Combined BA/MA (4+1) Department or Program (to be completed by the DGS)

4+1 Petition Committee Decision: Approved Disapproved Defer (More Info Needed)

If approved, provisional acceptance into the 4+1 option is granted, pending completion of baccalaureate requirements and formal application to the Graduate School.

Graduate hours required: _____ Graduate hours completed to date: _____

Thesis / Non-thesis option (circle one) Anticipated Completion Date for MA _____

Comments:

Signed (for the Committee): _____

Date: _____

Once the Departmental or Program 4+1 Petition Decision has been made, return the form to Associate Dean Martin Rapisarda, 311 Kirkland Hall. Tel. 343-3140 Email: Martin.rapisarda@vanderbilt.edu

Associate Dean: _____ Date: _____

Once signed by the Associate Dean, copies will be sent to the department/program and the student, for their records.