

Intent to Apply to the Accelerated Master's Program in BMB for Spring Enrollment

Please email this form to the BMB office (cns_bmb@mail.colostate.edu) and Dr. Aaron Sholders (Aaron.Sholders@colostate.edu) by November 1st, Fall semester of Junior Year

- Name:
- Date:
- CSU ID:
- Research Faculty Mentor:

Contacts / Advisors:

During the undergraduate phase of the program: Dr. Aaron Sholders (aaron.sholders@colostate.edu)

During the graduate phase of the program (in addition to laboratory research advisor): Dr. Jennifer DeLuca (jdeluca@colostate.edu)

Administrative support during both phases of the program: Kelly Jackson (cns_bmb@mail.colostate.edu)

Admission requirements:

The following are the minimum admission requirements for a student to be considered for the BMB AMP:

1. Students must have completed 75 credits of undergraduate coursework including 15 credits of upper division courses and have completed BC401.
2. Students must have maintained a minimum GPA of 3.25.
3. Students must be currently working in a research lab with a principal investigator (PI) that is willing to sponsor their research.

Coursework plan:

-The BMB Accelerated Master's Program allows students to take up to 9 credits as an undergraduate that count towards both undergraduate and graduate degrees. Specifically, students may enroll in up to 9 credits of 500-level regular course work of the graduate program as an undergraduate, while paying the undergraduate tuition rate. These credits will be counted toward the undergraduate degree. Regular, 500-level courses with grades of B or better will be transferred and double-counted toward the graduate degree, as courses taken prior to final admission to the graduate program. Students must complete and submit the [Request to Double Count Courses Form](#) to the Graduate School during the final undergraduate semester and prior to completing the undergraduate degree.

-Please discuss with your faculty mentor your coursework plan, and whether you should take BC463 as an undergraduate and BC563 as a graduate student; or instead skip BC463 and take BC563 as an undergraduate (in this case, the course will count towards both degrees). Similarly, discuss the same situation regarding BC465 and BC565.

Submission/Application process:

- After discussing your application for entry into the AMP with your research advisor, fill out this form and return to the BMB department's office in MRB 111.

Please answer the following questions:

- Do you plan to take BC563 in the place of BC463 during your last year as an undergraduate?
- Do you plan to take BC565 in the place of BC465 during your last year as an undergraduate?

- Please list the courses you plan to take as an undergraduate that will count towards both degrees (up to nine credits). Courses may include BC563, BC565, BC512, BC571, BC598 (research credits; this is currently listed as an experimental course for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 – contact Dr. Sholders or Dr. DeLuca for more information); or other 500 level elective courses that are approved by either Dr. Sholders or Dr. DeLuca.

- This form must be submitted prior to application into the AMP program. Once received and reviewed, you will be contacted by one of the AMP advisors confirming that you meet the minimum requirements for the program. You will then need to complete the Graduate School application and pay the application fee during your final year as an undergraduate student (deadline for application to graduate school: May 1st). Graduate applications will not be accepted earlier than one year prior to starting the graduate program. Final admission to the Graduate School is granted when a student meets the minimum BMB AMP program and Graduate School admissions criteria upon completion of your Bachelors' degree.

To apply, please visit: <https://graduateschool.colostate.edu/apply/>

Additional information regarding the requirements for the Plan A Master's portion of the AMP:

- At least 30 total credits are required
- A minimum of 24 credits must be earned at CSU (before or after admission into the graduate school)
- A minimum of 21 CSU credits must be earned after admission into the Graduate School
- A minimum of 16 CSU credits must be in 500-level or higher courses (before or after admission)
- A minimum 12 credits of these 16 CSU credits must be in didactic courses (numbered X81 or below)

Signatures:

Student: _____

Research Advisor: _____

AMP Advisor: _____
(Dr. Aaron Sholders)