GS Bachelor-to-Graduate (B2G) FAQ

Q: Who can apply for the Bachelor-to-Graduate (B2G) program?

With program approval, any student who has a minimum GPA of 3.4 and at least 90 credits. The 90 credits may include registered/in-progress courses.

Q: We have a student who transferred to Clemson. They have only taken 67 credits at Clemson, but transferred in 30 credits. Can they apply to the B2G program?

Yes. Students can count their transfer credits as part of the overall total.

Q: A student’s B2G start term as a full-time grad student is for ____ term, but they won’t graduate on time. Can they defer their B2G start term to a later term?

Yes. Submit a Change of Term form just as with any other applicant. The same applies to a change-of-program request. The Change of Term form is appropriate whether they just need to change degree (e.g., M.S. to Ph.D. or vice versa) or to change their program. Submit those as an email to sphill8@clemson.edu.

Q: Can all a B2G student’s courses in a term be at the graduate level?

It depends. If the undergraduate student is receiving financial aid or scholarship funding, they are federally required to be enrolled for 12 credit hours that directly apply to the undergraduate degree. So, if a student is taking graduate-level courses as an undergrad, they must have at least 12 credits that are requirements for the undergraduate degree. Example: a student is taking 3 undergraduate-level courses that are 3 credits each and is taking 2 graduate-level courses that are 3 credits each. At least one of the graduate-level courses must count towards an undergraduate degree requirement. Both graduate-level courses may count towards undergraduate degree requirements, but at least one must. Above 12 credit hours, courses can count towards the future graduate degree only if desired.

Q: How many credits can a B2G student take per term?

B2G students can take a maximum of 19 credits per term.

Q: Can we require additional materials above the 3.4 GPA and 90-credit minimum before admitting a student into our program?

In order to determine whether a student would be successful in your graduate program, your program may require additional materials before approving a student’s application into the B2G program. Examples include writing samples, portfolios, etc. However, keep in mind that the B2G program is designed to be used as a recruiting tool that provides incentives to high-achieving students who would be a great asset to your program (as well as to the University). B2G incentives...
include not paying an application fee, not needing to provide letters of recommendation or standardized test scores, and other aspects of the typical application.

Q: Do students who were approved for, and are in, the B2G program need to apply through the graduate application portal as well?

No. Students who are admitted to the B2G program have the benefit of not needing to submit the regular application, pay the application fee, or submit supporting materials, standardized test scores, and references. However, if a student has only submitted a GS6 Senior Enrollment form, they will need to apply through the application portal in order to be considered for the graduate program.

Q: How long does it take to register a student for their graduate level courses?

While the typical time to register with the B2G process is much shorter than for a typical new graduate student, we ask that students allow up to 10 business day to complete registration. Please advise the student to plan accordingly when submitting their forms. If a graduate-level course is needed for the student to be at the 12-credit minimum for full-time status, they may run into billing issues as well as seat-limit issues.

Q: Is there a deadline to apply for the B2G program?

Currently, there is not a deadline. The Graduate School will announce a priority deadline in the coming weeks. Details will be made known at that time.

Q: The course section a student wants is closed. Can the B2G student still be added?

More information will be coming out concerning this issue in the coming weeks. Note that graduate students have priority when it comes to being added to courses. If a course is full/closed, and there is a waitlist in place, any graduate student enrollee should be given priority over an undergraduate enrollee.