



UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE PARK  
THE GRADUATE SCHOOL



**PETITION FOR PROGRAM/DEGREE OBJECTIVE CHANGE**

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Print Full Name (Last, First, Middle)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student University ID Number (UID)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
GPA

Current admitted Program and degree objective	
Program and degree objective for which admission requested	
Semester/Term requested for admission	

I understand that my academic eligibility for admission to the desired program depends on a full review by that academic program. If I am on F-1/J-1 status, I must meet with International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS) prior to the change. Additionally, I understand that I am subject to the policies of the Graduate School and the requested program. (See second page for additional instructions)

_____ Student Signature	_____ Date
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**Current admitted Program:**

Program Code	
Program Approval to depart current program	Yes      No
_____ Director of currently admitted program (Print and sign)	_____ Date Approved

**Request for admission to the following program:**

Program Code	
Effective Term	
Program Approval to admit to requested program	Yes      No
_____ Director of requested program (Print and sign)	_____ Date Approved

**University Approvals:**

_____ International Student Scholar Services Representative (Print and Sign)	_____ Date Approved
_____ The Graduate School Representative (Print and Sign)	_____ Date Approved

# Petition for Program/Degree Objective Change Instructions

**General:**

The petition must be received by the Graduate School with all other signatures obtained.

Program/Degree Objective changes for the current term must be received prior to the last day for schedule adjustment.

Program/Degree Objective changes for a future term will be process at the conclusion of the current term.

The petition can be used for all terms (Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer)

The current program GPA must be 3.0 or greater, otherwise the student will need Graduate School approval and a letter of justification and plan of study from the requested program.

This petition is to be used ONE-TIME ONLY in the student’s UMD graduate school career. The student will have to go through the application process otherwise.

The student’s Graduate School program termination date will be reset. This is separate from the termination dates for other requirements such as I-20 or fellowship funding.

The petition can only be used for certain degree objective changes. See chart below

Can I use this form?					
		Desired Program			
		Doctorate	Master	Professional Master	Certificates
Current Program	Doctorate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Master	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Professional Masters	No	No	Yes	Yes
	Certificates	No	No	No	Yes

**Student:**

I understand that I am subject to the policies of the Graduate School and the requested program.

I am responsible for any consequences that may change my fellowship and/or assistantship due to a change in program or degree objective.

Please obtain the permission/signature in the sequence order listed.