

Graduate Degrees Offered

5. Graduate Degrees Offered

North Dakota State University (NDSU) offers the following degrees:

- Master of Arts (M.A.)
- Master of Science (M.S.)
- Non-thesis master's programs (see Plan C Master's (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/plan-c-masters/>))
- Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
- Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

M.A. and M.S. students may opt for a Plan A (Thesis) or Plan B (Master's Paper/Comprehensive Study) program. The Plan C (Culminating Experience) option is primarily intended for non-thesis degree programs; however, some M.S. programs do offer the Plan C option. Not all programs offer all three options. In addition, plans may differ in the composition of the student's supervisory committee and required submissions to the Graduate College for degree completion.

5.1. Plan A: Thesis Based Master's (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/plan-a-masters/>)

5.2. Plan B: Master's Paper/Comprehensive Study-based Master's (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/plan-b-masters/>)

5.3. Plan C: Culminating Experience-based Master's (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/plan-c-masters/>)

5.4. Didactic Credit-Based Doctoral Degrees (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/didactic-credit-doctoral/>)

5.5. Outcomes-Based Doctoral Degrees (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/graduate/degree-types/outcomes-based-doctoral/>)