

# About the Bulletin

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The **Undergraduate & Graduate Bulletins** contain information about academic programs and student services offered by North Dakota State University. It also contains general University and undergraduate and graduate academic policies and degree requirements. This bulletin (or catalog) is published online only. The bulletin is intended to complement other university information including specific materials supplied by schools, colleges, departments, and programs.

- The information in the Undergraduate Bulletin (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2015-16/undergraduate>) applies to all undergraduate and professional students at the university. Some academic policies also apply to graduate students. Additional information for graduate students is available in the Graduate Bulletin (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2015-16/graduate>). Information in the individual college sections applies to students enrolled in those specific degree programs of study.
- The academic policies and information contained within this bulletin are effective for the **2015-2016 academic year**, beginning on August 24, 2015 and ending on August 5, 2016.
- The undergraduate curricula within the bulletin are effective for students who entered NDSU or who declared a program of study during the **2015-2016 academic year**. Continuing and returning students follow the curriculum in place at the time their program of study was officially declared with the University.
- Questions about undergraduate academic policies (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2015-16/undergraduate/academic-policies>) and curriculum guides (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/curricula>) may be directed to the Office of Registration and Records (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/contact>). Questions about graduate programs (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2015-16/graduate/programs>) and policies (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2015-16/graduate/policies>) can be directed to the Graduate School (<https://www.ndsu.edu/gradschool>).
- It is important for students to be familiar with all the information that applies to them, including policies and procedures related to registration, academic progress and degree requirements. Students are strongly encouraged, and may be required by the department to consult their advisers at least once each semester to ensure they are completing requirements applicable to their degree and major programs.
- All new, current and returning students should become well acquainted with the regulations regarding student academic (<https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/policy/335.pdf>) and behavioral (<https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/studentlife/StudentCode.pdf>) codes of conduct.
- Information about the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/ferpa>), as amended, is available online or in the Office of Registration and Records.

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