Collaborative Programs

UAH has the ability to establish collaborative agreements allowing graduate students to take courses at and potentially offer dual degrees with approved institutions. Collaborative agreements are subject to change.

Transient Student Program (UA, UAB, UAH, Auburn University)

In some designated programs, a student enrolled at any campus of the University of Alabama System or Auburn University may register as a transient student at the other institution with the approval of both Graduate Deans, or their representatives, and the department or school in which the student wishes to take the courses. The amount of coursework that may be taken by a student under such an arrangement will be determined by the supervisory committee, with appropriate approvals at the other university. A student earning a master's degree at either institution must complete a majority of the required coursework at the institution granting the degree. For a course to be applicable for credit beyond the hours presently transferable toward a master's degree or beyond the master's, the course must be approved in advance by the student's major department and the Graduate Dean. The Deans of the Graduate Schools will serve as liaison officers in arranging programs for which the additional hours may be transferred.

Joint and Shared Programs within the University of Alabama System (UA, UAB, UAH)

A Joint program is one that is mutually sponsored by two or more campuses, leading to a single degree that is conferred by all participating institutions. A Shared program is mutually sponsored by two or more institutions and benefits from their collaborative efforts. UAH maintains the following Joint programs with UA and UAB:

- Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (https://catalog.uah.edu/grad/colleges-departments/engineering/civil-environmental-engineering/civil-engineering-phd-joint-with-uab/) (UAH/UAB)
- Ph.D. in Materials Science (https://catalog.uah.edu/grad/colleges-departments/interdisciplinary-programs/material-science-phd/#requirementstext) (UAH/UA/UAB)
- Ph.D. in Nursing (https://catalog.uah.edu/grad/colleges-departments/nursing/nursing-joint-nursing-science-phd/) (UAH/UA Capstone College of Nursing)

UAH maintains the following Shared program with UAB:

- Ph.D. in Computer Engineering (https://catalog.uah.edu/grad/colleges-departments/engineering/electrical-computer-engineering/computer-engineering-phd-shared-with-uab/)

Visiting Graduate Student Agreement between UAH and Alabama A&M University

A Visiting Student program, which is established between two institutions, allows a student at either institution to request permission to attend a course at one of the other institutions. This type of agreement allows UAH students to take degree-specific courses at an approved institution, while also allowing students from the other institutions to take courses at UAH.

A cooperative arrangement exists between UAH and Alabama A&M University (AAMU) for graduate students pursuing a degree in Biological Sciences. Under this arrangement, graduate students may request permission to take BIO or NRE courses at AAMU. Similarly, graduate students at AAMU can take Biology courses at UAH. Conditions permitting UAH graduate students to take AAMU courses include the following:

1. A student must be a full-time student or a full-time University employee who is a part-time student. The credit hours to be taken at the host institution shall be counted in determining the full-time or part-time status of the student.
2. The course desired must be unavailable at the student's home institution.
3. Visiting students are normally limited to one course per semester at the host institution except where the second course is a laboratory required to accompany the first course, or the second course is a one-hour course in basic military science.
4. A student must have an overall 2.000 GPA and meet all prerequisites of the host institution.
5. A student's request must be approved by their advisor and other appropriate personnel.
6. Students will be admitted by the host institution to a course based upon availability of space, to be determined by the class enrollment on the last day of regular registration.

Interested students should contact the UAH Office of the Registrar for appropriate forms (https://www.uah.edu/registrar/forms/visiting-student/).

Agreements between UAH and Selected International Universities

UAH develops and maintains various dual degree agreements with partner International universities. These agreements allow selected students from specific programs in partner institutions to matriculate at both institutions after satisfying predefined coursework and other degree requirements.