



UMD Student Success Roadmap & Learning Goals

throughout your college experience

- be an active, engaged learner
- maintain good academic standing and successfully complete an average 15 credits per semester
- know your degree requirements and track your progress
- monitor your individual learning goals and document your college achievements within ePortfolio
- be a positive member of UMD's academic and social communities
- become actively involved in at least one co-curricular activity
- use campus resources and ask for help when you need it
- develop a financial plan and maintain financial aid eligibility (if applicable)

more information at www.d.umn.edu/roadmap

1st year

- develop a sense of belonging through friendships and involvement
- connect with at least one UMD faculty or staff member who cares about your individual success
- using Graduation Planner, create the first two years of your 4-year graduation plan
- engage in learning both by devoting enough time to your studies and by thinking about course material and how it applies to your life

30 credits

2nd year

- confirm your academic major choice and know the requirements and career fields related to your major
- using Graduation Planner, create the a course plan for your remaining degree requirements
- involve yourself in learning opportunities that are challenging and relevant

60 credits

3rd year

- participate in study abroad, leadership opportunities, service learning, civic engagement, internships, research projects, and other learning opportunities
- develop your job or graduate school strategy
- update your graduation plan as necessary

90 credits

4th /5th year

- participate in a capstone experience related to your field of study
- seek additional learning activities aligned with your plans after graduation
- implement the job or graduate school strategy you developed during your junior year
- complete the *Undergraduate Application for Degree and Commencement Attendance Questionnaire*

120+ credits

Bachelor's Degree Completed & Learning Goals Achieved

Completion of a bachelor's degree signifies attainment of the skills, knowledge and qualities that will help lead you to professional success and personal fulfillment.

Your courses, co-curricular experiences, and other learning activities contribute to attainment of six essential learning goals:

1. Knowledge

UMD graduates demonstrate competence in a major field.

UMD graduates construct, integrate, and apply knowledge from instruction and experience.

2. Thinking

UMD graduates think critically and creatively in seeking solutions to practical and theoretical problems.

3. Self-Realization

UMD graduates use ethical reasoning to make informed and principled choices.

UMD graduates demonstrate self-knowledge across a range of developmental areas.

4. Relationships

UMD graduates communicate effectively through writing, speaking, and interpersonal and group interactions.

5. Social Responsibility

UMD graduates apply understanding of cultural differences in diverse environments.

UMD graduates contribute to local, national and global communities in which they live.

6. Life Skills

UMD graduates apply life skills to succeed in college and beyond.