

Graduate School Academic Structure & Definitions

Academic Structure Term	Definition	Example
Program	Subject category that envelops the plans/subplans into a group SIS program code indicator: 3-4 letters	Program Name: English SIS Code: ENG
College	The housing body by which the program is associated SIS college code indicator: 2-digit number (same as OUC)	College name: College of Veterinary Medicine SIS Code: 19
Plan	Specific degree/certificate/minor types within the program SIS plan code: 6-8 characters combining the following – college code program code plan code indicator	(see specific examples below)
Degree	Any Masters and/or Doctoral diplomas that will be earned at conferral SIS code plan indicators: MR, MARCH, MS, MBA, MED, MFA, MGIM, MLAR, MPA, MSA, MSW, MAT, DDes, EdD, PhD	Plan Name: Chemistry (MS) SIS Plan Code: 11CH MS Plan Name: Chemistry (PhD) SIS Plan Code: 11CH PhD
Certificate	Any graduate certificate that will be earned at conferral SIS code plan indicator: CTG	Plan Name: City Design-CTG SIS Plan Code: 12CD CTG
Minor	Any minor that can be added in addition to a degree/certificate earned by a student at conferral SIS code plan indicator: GM	Plan Name: Crop Science-GM SIS Plan Code: 11CS GM
Subplan	Specific subcategories of a plan that will determine a specified curriculum and/or delivery method SIS subplan code: 8-10 characters combining the following – college code program code subplan code indicator plan code	(see specific examples below)
Accelerated Bachelors/Masters (ABM)	A subplan that allows exceptional undergraduate students at NC State an opportunity to complete the requirements for both the Bachelor's and Master's degrees at an accelerated pace SIS code plan indicator: ABM	Subplan Name: Plant Biology-MR-ABM SIS Subplan Code: 11PB ABMMR
Concentration	A subplan that allows students to complete a plan with an OFFICIAL specialized curriculum resulting in a printed record (transcripts) of these courses SIS code subplan indicator: any 1-3 letters	Subplan Name: Foreign Language and Literature (MA): Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Concentration SIS Subplan Code: 16FLL TESMA

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Distance Education Track	A subplan that separates matriculated students in a category based on online delivery	Subplan Name: Design – DDES – DE SIS Subplan Code: 12DDN Z DDES
Option (also referred to as "Track")	SIS code subplan indicator: Z A subplan that allows students to complete a plan with an UNOFFICIAL specialized curricula managed and tracked internally by the program administrators	Subplan Name: MBA Entrepreneurship Option SIS Subplan Code: 20MBA ENT
Professional Science Master (PSM)	SIS code subplan indicator: any 1-3 letters and/or numbers A subplan that allows students to complete a plan with a "Professional Science Masters" status printed on their transcripts	Subplan Name: Track 3 – LAR SIS Subplan Code: 12LAR TRK3 Subplan Name: Food Animals Concentration – Professional Science Masters SIS Subplan Code: 19CBS PSMMS
	SIS code subplan indicator: PSM	