



Updates
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Note: a version of items #1-3 will go out to students

1. Registration for Double Owl Students

Beginning with the upcoming registration, Double Owl students will be able to register for the approved “double counted” graduate courses on their own. The Registrars office is removing the level restriction from the approved graduate courses so that students can register for these courses.

Paul Parker noted that some of the graduate courses have pre-reqs other than level restrictions. So, your Double Owl students may need a pre-req override. It is recommended that your department review pre-reqs to make sure they are necessary so as to cut down on overrides.

Both The Graduate College and the Registrars office will be running reports to monitor these classes. If we find non-Double Owl students in the graduate courses, they will be removed from the course as quickly as possible to allow them to register for a more appropriate course. Also, CPOS should notify students that a course is not appropriate for their plan of study.

2. GPA for Double Owl Students

As the Registrars office is updating the level restriction, they are also changing the coding so that these courses will count in the Double Owl student’s undergraduate GPA and enrollment status. Once the student moves fully into their graduate program the level code for the student’s graduate courses will be updated to allow the courses to count in their graduate GPA as well.

3. DegreeWorks

We wanted to share how DegreeWorks is operating for Double Owl students to make sure everyone is on the same page.

If a student has the Double Owl attribute (DOWL), Degree Works will do the following when a student registers for a graduate course:

1. If the course is part of the approved Double Owl pairings AND the slot is OPEN, it will place the graduate course in the slot



2. If the course is part of the approved Double Owl pairings AND the slot is USED, it will move the course to UNUSED – CPOS will flag this
 - a. **We cannot remove a course that has fulfilled a slot according to federal financial aid rules**
3. If the course is NOT part of the approved Double Owl pairings the course will fall in UNUSED – CPOS will flag this

If a student does NOT have the Double Owl attribute (DOWL), Degree Works will do the following when a student registers for a graduate course:

1. Place the graduate course in Nondegree Applicable – CPOS will flag this

4. Advisement and Approving Applications

As students apply for a Double Owl Pathway and you review their applications, please also look at the courses they have already taken and the slot those courses fill in their program of study. We have seen some students accepted as Double Owls that were not able to take any graduate courses as the slot for the graduate courses were already filled with undergraduate courses. If there are no graduate courses that a student could use, there is no reason to accept them as a Double Owl. You should deny the application and enter a comment that the student has no available options in this Double Owl pathway and encourage them to apply for the graduate program.

5. Data

I have recently posted some data concerning Double Owl students on the Double Owl website under [“Faculty/Staff Info”](#). I will update this data on a monthly basis. There are two sets of data that pull from different sources.

- “Double Owl Data” pulls from the tracking system in Owl Express. This records a student’s request as an inquiry or an applicant as well as the disposition as entered by the advisor and/or approver.
- “Double Owl Students” pulls from a spreadsheet kept internally by the Graduate College of students accepted as a Double Owl and the mile post they pass, such as registering for grad courses, petitioning for or graduating from their undergrad, applying for their grad program, active in the grad program, and graduation from the graduate program.

This is aggregate data. You should be able to view specific students within the Owl Express tracking system. We are looking for solutions to combine the data so we can have one set of reports.

If you would like additional data, please email David Baugher (dbaugh@kennesaw.edu). Your idea or need may be something that others would also find useful.

Thank you for all you do to help make Double Owl Pathways a success!