

ENTERING THE MDA MILESTONE IN THE STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (SIS) – COLLEGE LEVEL

NAVIGATION

NavBar > Main Menu > Student Information System > Records and Enrollment > Enroll Students > Student Milestones

MASTER’S DEGREE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (MDA)

1. Look up **student by UFID**. Click **Search**.

Student Milestones

Enter any information you have and click Search. Leave fields blank for a list of all values.

[Find an Existing Value](#) [Add a New Value](#)

▼ **Search Criteria**

ID: begins with ▼

Academic Institution: = ▼ 🔍

Academic Career: = ▼ 🔍

Academic Program: = ▼ 🔍

Campus ID: begins with ▼

National ID: begins with ▼

Last Name: begins with ▼

First Name: begins with ▼

Include History Case Sensitive

[Search](#) [Clear](#) [Basic Search](#) [Save Search Criteria](#)

Be sure to select the correct program plan if more than one result is displayed.

2. Click the **Supporting Data** tab.

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Student Milestones

3. Locate the **Graduate MDA Milestone (GRADMDA)** and select **ENTER DATA**.

| Milestones accepting supporting data | | | | | | Personalize | Find | First | 1-2 of 2 | Last |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------|-------|----------|------|
| Milestone Nbr | Milestone | | Academic Plan | | Access | Enter Data | | | | |
| 40 | GRADMDA | MDA | EPI_PHD | Epidemiology | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Enter Data | | | | |
| 20 | GRFINALEX | Graduate Final Examination | PBH_MPH | Public Health | <input type="checkbox"/> | Enter Data | | | | |

This milestone details page will then display the proposal details as submitted by the previous staff/department/program user.

There will be one additional field now available to enter the **Decision by College Level Authority**.

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Student Milestones

Academic Institution University of Florida Academic Career Graduate
Academic Program

| Milestones accepting supporting data | | | | | | Personalize | Find | First | 1 of 1 | Last |
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| Milestone Nbr | Milestone | | Academic Plan | | Access | Enter Data | | | | |
| 10 | GRADMDA | MDA | MSC_PHD | Medical Sciences | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Enter Data | | | | |

Selected Milestone

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| Milestone Nbr | 10 | Milestone | GRADMDA | MDA |
| Academic Plan | MSC_PHD | | Medical Sciences | |

GRADMDA Supporting Data

Please complete the following fields to formally document the advising faculty member's Master's Degree Acknowledgement (MDA) decision prior to the qualifying examination of this student this student. Submitting this form attests each of the following statements:

- Name of Master's Degree Institution: Florida Atlantic University - (ATP_5229)
- This form officially acknowledges the official and final MDA decision for this student. The MDA acknowledges the content, level, relevancy, and contribution of a student's prior earned master's degree earned at a non-UF institution or another field of study within UF to the specific student's doctoral program of study at the Universal of Florida.
- The master's degree has been determined by the Office of Admissions to be an accredited master's degree or equivalent to an accredited master's degree for international degrees This determination by Office of Admissions is documented in the student's record. The transcript is marked as final, official, and complete on their External Education record in the SIS and official transcript documents are viewable in the student's record in OnBase.

Proposed By: Proposed by Department Chair
Decision by College Level Authority:

Save Return to Search Notify Add Update/Display Include History Correct History

4. Select the **college level decision** via the drop-down menu and hit **SAVE**.

5. You will automatically return to the main Student Milestones tab. Here verify the following on changes the page, as shown in the screenshot below:

- **Milestone Level** = AFFIRMED or DENIED-C
- **Comment** = Name of Master’s Degree Institution
- **Advisor/Evaluator** = *your ID*
- **Attempts section Milestone Complete** = Not Completed and Date Attempted = *date supporting data page was saved/submitted*

The screenshot displays the 'Student Milestones' interface. At the top, it shows 'Academic Institution: University of Florida' and 'Academic Career: Graduate'. Below this, the 'Milestone Detail' section is visible, containing the following information:

- *Effective Date:** 06/18/2024
- *Milestone:** GRADMDA
- Milestone Level:** AFFIRMED
- *Milestone Nbr:** 10
- Milestone Complete:** Not Completed
- Academic Plan:** CUI_EDD
- Description:** MDA
- Formal Description:** Master's Degree Acknowledgement
- Milestone Title:** (Empty field)
- Comment:** Name of Master's Degree Institution: Name of Master's Degree Institution: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
Proposed by Department Chair
- Advised by Committee:**
- Term Required:** (Empty field)
- Anticipated Term:** (Empty field)
- *Transcript Level:** Print on Official
- Date Required:** (Empty field)
- Anticipated Date:** (Empty field)
- *Print Milestone Detail:** Print If Satisfied

Below the milestone details, there are sections for 'Advisors' and 'Attempts'.

Advisors: Shows one advisor with ID '1'.

Attempts: A table with columns: Attempt Nbr, Grading Scheme, Grading Basis, Grade Input, *Milestone Complete, How Attempted, and Date Attempted.

| Attempt Nbr | Grading Scheme | Grading Basis | Grade Input | *Milestone Complete | How Attempted | Date Attempted |
|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1 | | | | Not Completed | | 06/18/2024 |
| 2 | | | | Not Completed | | 06/18/2024 |

Notes and Best Practices:

- The reports will be developed to aid in identifying MDA eligible students and status of requests.
- Consideration for the MDA milestone should begin in the admission review stage for an applicant.
- The MDA milestone should only be submitted after the student has matriculated and enrolled.
- The program-level proposal must be completed prior to college-level decision.
- College-level affirmation decision should be completed no earlier than the day after the program-level proposal.
- Colleges and programs should develop a notification system, such as email, to advise the next level of pending MDAs.