Complete your master’s degree in just 12 months.

Understand the value of a master’s degree.
If you have a bachelor’s degree and some work experience, you can earn your master’s degree from a prestigious institution at an affordable cost in just one year. Northeastern University’s College of Professional Studies has developed Fast-Track programs—a group of 12-month format graduate degree’s that fit your lifestyle and goals.

What is Fast-Track?
Our conveniently scheduled Fast-Track programs allow you to gain the skills and knowledge you need to get ahead. Benefits of Fast-Track include:

- Master’s degree completion in just 12 months
- Classes scheduled over four academic quarters
- 100% online program formats
- Staff to guide you through the application process, registration, and your academic career
- Develop a valuable network of professional contacts by completing courses with the same group of students
- Gain knowledge from your fellow classmates and the professions and industries they represent

For a complete list of graduate Fast-Track programs visit www.northeastern.edu/cps/degree-programs/graduate/accelerated-degrees.

Online Program Formats Designed for Optimal Convenience
The College of Professional Studies continues to expand the variety of subjects available within the Fast-Track programs, enabling you to choose a course of study that aligns with your career goals. Programs are offered in an online format providing maximum flexibility for working professionals with demanding schedules.

Class Structure
There is no designated class meeting time for the online courses. Instructors use the Northeastern University Online system to present lectures, and post discussion questions and assignments to their class. As a Fast-Track student, you will be responsible for completing all assigned readings, papers, and projects throughout each term. Your participation during the online components is critical to your success in the program.
How do I qualify for a Fast-Track program?

You must have earned a bachelor’s degree from an accredited school and have some work experience. A minimum GPA of 2.8 is strongly recommended for successful performance. If you are unable to meet a 2.8 GPA, your transcripts will be evaluated by program administration on a case by case basis. Our flexible admissions policy takes into consideration all aspects of your preparation, experience, and educational goals. Graduate admissions exams, such as the GRE, are not required.

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Ready to apply? It’s Easy.

Admissions requirements include an online application, sealed official transcripts, a current resume, a statement of purpose, and two letters of recommendation. Prerequisites may be required for specific programs.

Visit www.northeastern.edu/cps to complete an application.

Why Northeastern University?

Founded in 1898, Northeastern University is a private research university that is consistently ranked by Forbes and U.S. News and World Report as a top-tier educational institution.

Known for integrating classroom learning with real-world experience, Northeastern has a longstanding reputation for being an exciting and vibrant educational institution. For added convenience, the College of Professional Studies also offers programs online, allowing students to complete their studies from anywhere in the world.
Whether making professional presentations, communicating during crises, or communicating across cultures, the message is consistent: understanding why communication is important and how to communicate efficiently are essential for those working in complex organizations. There is a constant need for individuals to develop and improve their organizational communication skills.

Developed in collaboration with the Communications Department, the Fast-Track 12-month Master of Science in Corporate and Organizational Communication is designed to explore the ways in which communication affects organizational and individual success, and the ways that individuals and organizations can optimize the success of their internal and external communications.

The program is structured so that it can be completed within one year while allowing participants to continue with work and family commitments.

How to Apply
Visit www.northeastern.edu/cps to complete an application. In addition to a completed application, official transcripts, a current resume, a statement of purpose, and two letters of recommendation are also required. Once the application has been reviewed, a personal interview may be scheduled.

*Tuition rates, all fees, rules and regulations, courses, and course content are subject to revision by the president and the Board of Trustees at any time.

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**SEQUENCE OF COURSES**

**Quarter 1**
CMN 6500 Organizational Communication: 6 q.h.
CMN 6502 Organizational Communication: Applications and Assessment 6 q.h.

**Quarter 2**
CMN 6061 Personal Branding: 6 q.h.
CMN 6050 Crisis Communication: 6 q.h.

**Quarter 3**
CMN 6504 Communication and Organizational Culture: 6 q.h.
CMN 6080 Intercultural Communication: 6 q.h.

**Quarter 4**
CMN 6130 Testing Communication Quality (Capstone Project): 6 q.h.

Total Quarter Hours: 42 q.h.

2011/2012 Tuition: $535 per quarter hour*

**This course sequence is not fixed, it is dependent upon the cohort start date and is open to change.

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“The program keeps me on track with continuous assignments where I am constantly applying what I have just learned. I like the fast-paced environment.”

Ann Lalime, 2008 Graduate

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This program is not appropriate for international applicants who want to study in the U.S. on a student visa.