Undergraduate students enrolled in the BA in Liberal Studies Program may, with faculty approval, apply as a fast track candidate for the MAP Program. The MAP fast track is a single integrated program that saves qualified students significant time and money when progressing from undergraduate to graduate studies. A student must gain approval from both the BA and MAP program chairs to become a fast track candidate.

Provisionally accepted fast track candidates will enroll in the required 9-12 quarter unit cohort curriculum for entering MAP students. Students may complete these courses in either one quarter if attending full time or in two quarters if attending less than full time. Once successfully completed, these 9-12 units will represent completion of the student’s BA degree. These same units will also apply toward the single integrated MAP degree, per BBS requirements.

Students on academic or any other type of probation are not eligible for the Fast Track program.

If a student who is opting for the Fast Track (from BA to any graduate level program) is also receiving Title IV aid, the student would be eligible for only undergraduate level aid (including Pell grants) until the BA requirements are satisfied. The student may still be considered to be a graduate student for academic purposes.

In order to be eligible for the fast track, students must have met all of the criteria listed on the BA-MAP Fast Track checklist, including the following:

- completed at least 33 units needed toward the 45 units Residency Requirement in the Undergraduate Studies Programs;
- completed all math and writing requirements;
- 9-12 quarter units remaining to complete the undergraduate degree;
- all DSST/CLEPS tests completed two quarters before the fast track quarter;
- all prior learning units registered two quarters before the fast track quarter, and completed by the quarter before the fast track quarter;
- completed all non-classroom learning and Domain requirements, with the possible exception of the Social Science domain;
- for BA in Liberal Studies, completed all area of concentration units, with the exception of up to 12 remaining Psychology Concentration units (if they have declared a major area of concentration).

Additionally, Fast Track applicants must understand that...

- in order to qualify for the MAP/MAPS Fast Track program, a student in an AULA undergraduate program must officially apply through the AULA Admissions Office (and follow all of the AULA Admissions Office application guidelines) and be provisionally accepted into the MAP/MAPS program;
- they will be following regular Admissions deadlines and procedures, as outlined by the MAP/MAPS Program. MAP/MAPS applications are due the Monday of week four in the quarter prior to starting the MAP/MAPS Program. It is the student’s responsibility to meet all admissions deadlines and requirements;
- all MAP/MAPS Fast Track students will be required to take the following courses to fulfill the initial 12 units*:
  - Society and the Individual - 3 units
  - Personality I - 3 units
  - Assessment of Psychopathology - 3 units
  - Contemporary Aging - 2 units
  - An elective workshop – 1 unit

*As noted above, PSY 5100: Intro to Psychology is required in the first quarter only for students who apply without a BA major concentration in psychology and who have not taken the course prior to entering MAP.