Do you love to do research? Did you know that you could complete your PhD right after your BS, and actually get paid to do so? Did you know the average salaries for PhD graduates are $30k-$90k greater than BS graduates? If any of these interest you, then the BS-PhD program in MANE may be the right option for you.

*Data from payscale.com

**Application Requirements**

- No GRE requirements
- Minimum 3.5 GPA
- Two faculty reference letters
- Strong interest in research
- BS-PhD plan of study

**Transition**

BS-PhD students transition to graduate status upon completion of their BS degree. The conditions for transition include maintaining a GPA of 3.5, satisfactory progress in research, and participation in graduate programming seminars and activities that foster leadership, innovation, and research. Once students enter the graduate phase, they receive an assistantship with a stipend and graduate tuition.

**Academic Research**

Students admitted into the BS-PhD program may select a research group from any program within the department of MANE, based upon common research interests with the faculty research mentor. Students that are undecided about their research interests, will have an opportunity to follow a rotational research plan. Research could begin as early as a student’s Summer ARCH term, and continue throughout their graduate studies.

**Application Process**

Qualified students will be invited to apply to the BS-PhD program after completing their sophomore year. They may also be nominated by faculty.

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