

CS DGS FAQ

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These are notes that I am kept mostly for myself when I was CS DGS From Fall 2024 to Spring 2025. You may also find these useful.

1. In general if you wish to contact me for **CS DGS related questions**, it is better to **email** cs-dgs@g.harvard.edu. If not, odds are I will forward your mail to this mailing address anyway (which includes me, John Girash, Ximena Hasbach and Mary Kathryn Juskiwicz). Of course if you have something confidential you wish to discuss with me, you can and should email me.
2. Most forms that require you to meet me, or to get a signature from me are outdated. Specific examples may be below.
3. The **Concurrent Master's Course Allocation Form** has a line for my signature but signature is not needed. What is necessary and sufficient is attaching the CHD-approved plan of study.
4. The **Concurrent Master's application form** seems to suggest you must meet with me to apply. This is **not necessary**. It suffices to attend one of our info sessions. Contact us at the email above to find out when the next one is. We may also offer the option of watching a recording of an info session.
You are welcome to talk to me about the concurrent master's program. The conversation will likely be about whether you will be able to handle the additional workload. I may have an opinion, but you may also have one and others that know you better (your concentration advisor, your resident dean) may have some sage advice too. If, given this multitude of options, you feel my opinion will actually help you in your decision, you are welcome to meet me.
5. If you do need to meet me, I am holding open office hours most Fridays from 11:30-12:30 in SEC 3.434. See [this calendar](#) for my plans for specific dates. If that won't work for you, suggest some morning times any day of the week that you are available.
6. If you are **applying** to our graduate program or have applied and have questions, I am **NOT** the person to ask. Graduate Admissions are a separate process unrelated to the CS DGS program (which follows students after they have accepted and joined the CS graduate program). You are probably best off writing to the [SEAS Grad Admissions Office](#).

Random (potentially relevant links):

- Application to AB/SM: [CS specific info](#), [general info](#) (which includes links to most recent application sites).
- Withdrawal from AB/SM: <https://gsas.harvard.edu/policy/withdrawing-harvard-griffin-gsas>

