Concurrent Graduate Enrollment

Concurrent enrollment reflects a student’s enrollment in two degree/certificate programs at the same time. Some observations:

- Policy does not exist on the number of graduate programs a student may pursue simultaneously.
- Concurrent enrollment is “student initiated” since UNC Charlotte does not currently offer an approved “dual degree” program at the graduate level.
- Students apply for admission to each program.

For example, the 12-03-2018 UNDuplicated (one record per student) Spring 2019 Registration Report shows 4,001 students enrolled, and the DUPLICATED (one record per student per program) Spring 2019 Registration Reports shows 4,281 students enrolled, and this reflects 280 students are enrolled in more than one program.

Generally, we see very healthy concurrent enrollments, for example:

- Doctoral degree + Master’s degree
- Doctoral degree + Graduate certificate
- Master’s degree + Graduate certificate

Occasionally, however, we see the following:

- Doctoral degree + Doctoral degree
- Multiple master’s degrees
- Multiple master’s degrees + Graduate certificates
- Doctoral degree + Unaligned master’s degree

Should there be some “best practice” for concurrent enrollments? And, if so, what?