

**Degrees Considered Terminal
by Austin Peay State University**

As of January 15, 2020

1. Earned Doctorates in the field or discipline
2. Masters
 - M.F.A. (for teaching courses in Studio Art, Visual Communication, Theatre, Dance, Creative Writing, and Film, Video, and Broadcast Production)
 - Master's degree accredited by the American Library Association (or international equivalent)
 - M.M. (for applied teaching and ensemble directors)
 - Masters in any discipline and certification or licensure in the appropriate area (for teaching courses in Radiological Technology, Radiation Therapy, and Diagnostic Medical Sonography)
 - Master's degree in a related discipline and national certification in nuclear medicine (for teaching courses in Nuclear Medicine)
 - Master of Science in a related clinical or basic science field with certification as a MLS/MT, and a certified Medical Technologist or Medical Laboratory Scientist (for teaching courses in Medical Laboratory Science and Medical Laboratory Technology)
 - Masters in Engineering or Masters with Major in Engineering/Engineering Technology (for APSU's Engineering Technology)
3. Bachelors
 - BS in Veterinary Technology and certification from American Veterinarian Medical Association for Vet Technologist (for Veterinary Technology concentration only within the BS Agriculture)
 - BS in Aviation Science field (appropriate for BS Aviation Science, Concentration in Rotor-Wing)
 - B.S. in the teaching discipline (may include culinary arts, business, nutrition, food science, or others as approved by the Office of Academic Affairs.)

Note: National practice does not recognize the J.D. as a doctorate; however, the J.D. may be considered as a terminal degree in disciplines directly associated with legal studies and tax.

Please note that tenure-track nursing faculty can be hired at the rank of assistant professor with a master's degree however the individual is not eligible for tenure without earning a doctorate.