

## BA/MA Accelerated Degree Program in Sociology

Shave one year off your graduate studies and save on graduate tuition costs for four courses!

Double count 12 credits of free electives in the BA program as 12 credits in the MA program also. In the fifth year, you complete the remaining 21 graduate credits for your second degree. Students complete 15 credits each semester as undergraduates, and nine credits for two semesters as a graduate student, plus one summer course.

### ACCELERATED BA/MA COURSE SCHEDULE

(Courses and credits in boldface are double-counted)

	Cr	FALL	Cr	SPRING	Cr	SUMMER
1 <sup>st</sup> Year	3	SOC 1010 Principles of. Sociology	3	SOC 2130 Sociological Theory		
	12	UCC courses	12	UCC courses		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	3	SOC 3010 Research Methods	3	SOC 3020 Data Analysis		
	6	SOC courses	6	SOC courses		
	6	Undergraduate credits	6	Undergraduate credits		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	6	SOC electives	3	SOC electives		
	9	Undergraduate credits	3	SOC 4850 Senior Seminar		
			9	Undergraduate credits		
4 <sup>th</sup> Year	<b>3</b>	<b>SOC 5150 Applied Social Statistics</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>SOC 5180 Applied Soc. Theory</b>		
	<b>3</b>	<b>Graduate Core 2 course</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Graduate Core 2 course</b>		
	9	Undergraduate credits	9	Undergrad elective		
5 <sup>th</sup> Year	3	SOC 691 Professional Internship I	3	SOC 692 Professional Internship II	3	SOC grad elective.
	3	SOC grad elective		or SOC 698 Research and Thesis		
	3	SOC grad elective	6	SOC grad electives		

### Admission Process

Freshman candidates must meet have SAT scores of at least 1800, with no score below 550 in the critical reading, math, or writing sections, as well as a high school grade point average of at least a B+. Also required is an essay explaining the student's background (academic, work, volunteer, etc.), academic goals, and career plans; and two letters of recommendation from high school teachers or administrators.

Juniors may also apply. Accepted students must complete 102 undergraduate credits before the start of their fourth year to become matriculated with the incoming Master's class. At that time, students should have completed 24 credits

in sociology, including all sociology concentration core requirements (with the exception of senior seminar). They must have a 3.2 GPA, both in the major and overall to be eligible to apply for admission.

Students applying to the graduate program must submit two letters of recommendation from WPUNJ faculty. In addition, they must submit a 1-2 page statement of purpose and their transcript. This program will consider transfer students as long as they meet the same criteria for eligibility.

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