

Three-Year Career-Focused Bachelor's Degree Programs

JWU's career-focused bachelor's degree programs provide a rigorous and comprehensive education in three years rather than four. These 90–96 credit programs are designed to meet the needs of students who are eager to enter the workforce quickly and with less financial obligation.

For the 2025–26 academic year, these programs include

- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Graphic Design
- Hospitality Management

Three-year career-focused bachelor's degree programs offer students

- The same classes within the major and University Core Curriculum as their traditional 120-credit four-year counterparts
- A regular semester load of classes during the academic year (unlike accelerated degrees where classes are taken year-round and/or credits from high school are transferred)
- Fewer or no electives so focus remains within the major
- Workplace experiences throughout the entire program of study that count toward degree requirements (unlike a dedicated semester for internship)*

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Three-year career-focused bachelor's degree students are required to complete 600 Work-Integrated Learning (WIL) hours in order to graduate. Completion of these hours is intended to be achieved through meaningful part-time employment as well as other skill-building activities including, but not limited to, leadership in professional clubs, certificates, volunteering, research, competitions, and job shadowing.

To support students' career success, JWU faculty and career advisors from Experiential Education & Career Services offer career management coursework and career advising. This ensures students develop essential workplace skills such as teamwork, time management and problem-solving that employers value.