

CATALOG TEXT

OPENING STATEMENT. Include rationale for completing this accelerated program and the value to the student.

Student completing an undergraduate degree with a major in Bureaucratic Studies are well prepared for positions in large corporations and government agencies that retain outdated practices long after they are obsolete. Students who enter the workforce after completing a master's degree in this field will deeply understand the issues and concerns facing these entities and will become leaders in this field.

The Bureaucratic Studies, M.A., typically begins after students complete their bachelor's degree. Students who enroll in this accelerated option will both complete their undergraduate career with graduate-level experiences, and can complete the program in only three graduate semesters. These students will be able to enter the workforce earlier than would be possible with the typical two-year master's degree experience, and will be more competitive for positions than students with only a bachelor's degree.

	ACCELERATED PROGRAM	POST-BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM
APPLICATION DEADLINE	March 1	March 1
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unofficial JMU transcript. (Note: Grades in all undergraduate BSTU courses will be strongly considered.) • Statement of the applicant's goals. • Resume. • Two letters of recommendation. (Note: At least one of these letters must be from BSTU faculty.) <p>Note: The GRE is not required.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unofficial transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended. • Statement of the applicant's goals. • Resume. • Three letters of recommendation. • GRE General Test
PROGRAM OF STUDY. Show term-by-term. Identify term where bachelor's degree is completed.	<p>Fall—Senior Year BSTU 602. Practices and Problems</p> <p>Spring—Senior Year BSTU 630. Practices to Avoid BSTU 650. Issues and Concerns</p> <p>BACHELOR'S DEGREE COMPLETED</p> <p>Fall-Year 1 BSTU 601. Introduction to the Profession BSTU 610. Intermediate Statistics BSTU 670. Difficult Conversations</p> <p>Spring-Year 1 BSTU 611. Research Methods BSTU 680. Practicum BSTU 675. Irreconcilable Differences</p> <p>Summer-Year 1 BSTU 700. Thesis</p> <p>Fall-Year 2 BSTU 690. Advanced Topics BSTU 700. Thesis</p> <p>MASTER'S DEGREE COMPLETED</p>	<p>Fall-Year 1 BSTU 601. Introduction to the Profession BSTU 602. Practices and Problems BSTU 610. Intermediate Statistics</p> <p>Spring-Year 1 BSTU 630. Practices to Avoid BSTU 650. Issues and Concerns BSTU 611. Research Methods</p> <p>Fall-Year 2 BSTU 670. Difficult Conversations BSTU 690. Advanced Topics BSTU 700. Thesis</p> <p>Spring-Year 2 BSTU 680. Practicum BSTU 675. Irreconcilable Differences BSTU 700. Thesis</p> <p>Summer-Year 2 (Optional) BSTU 699. Thesis Continuance (if necessary)</p>

RECRUITMENT & STUDENT SUCCESS**RECRUITMENT PLAN**

This program will be advertised to all of JMU's BSTU students and top students will be invited by faculty to participate in the program.

ADVISING & MENTORING PLAN

This graduate program operates with a mentorship model. Students and faculty regularly meet to discuss topics of mutual interest, conduct collaborative research, discuss thesis ideas, and plan for post-graduation career opportunities. Students admitted into the accelerated program will receive the same level of mentorship by program faculty.

REQUIRED APPROVALS

TITLE	PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
Graduate Program Director			
Academic Unit Head			
College Curriculum Committee Chair			
Academic Dean			
Graduate Council (GCCC)			
Graduate Dean			
Registrar			
Financial Aid			
Budget Office			
Business Office			
Academic Affairs			