

Accelerated Undergraduate/Graduate Programs

Students of Russell Sage College can take advantage of policies that allow acceleration of programs offered at Sage Graduate Schools. Undergraduate students in good standing, with a GPA of 3.0 or better may take graduate courses for undergraduate credit, with advisor approval and permission of the appropriate graduate school dean.

Undergraduate students who are seniors and who have a GPA of 3.0 or better may take two graduate courses for graduate credit, with advisor approval and permission of the appropriate graduate school dean. These courses may satisfy undergraduate requirements, or if they are completed beyond the 120 credits required for the baccalaureate degree, may satisfy graduate requirements.

Undergraduate students hoping to enroll in graduate coursework should be aware of the restrictions on the policies that support acceleration. No undergraduate degree can be completed with fewer than 120 credits. The master's degree must include a minimum of 30 credits beyond the 120 required for the baccalaureate degree. Students in undergraduate programs should seek advisement from their program advisor and from the graduate program to which they will apply, to ensure that the courses selected apply to the appropriate programs.

Accelerated programs allow highly qualified students earn both a bachelor's and master's degree in a continuous course of study, saving both time and money. Sage offers the following accelerated programs:

- BA or BS and Master's in Business Administration (M.B.A.) at Sage
- BA or BS and MS in Education at Sage
- BS and MS in Nursing at Sage
- BA or BS leading to the MS in Occupational Therapy at Sage
- BA or BS leading to the DPT in Physical Therapy at Sage

The Nursing program requires both the graduate and undergraduate degree in that discipline. Other accelerated programs allow students to choose their undergraduate major from a large roster of arts and science as well as professional majors. Indeed, combinations of undergraduate work in the liberal arts (e.g., a major in English, Sociology, or Psychology) with graduate professional work, are considered particularly effective.

In all accelerated undergraduate/graduate programs, students must maintain certain minimum GPA requirements and meet specific program requirements. See the appropriate catalog pages or consult with the program directors in the specific disciplines for more information.