

# GRADUATE CATALOG

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Until the early 1960s, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater had only offered undergraduate degrees. In response to societal needs for greater specialization and increased education in the professional work force, graduate programs were initiated at UW-Whitewater in the early 1960s. It is presently the third largest graduate school in the Universities of Wisconsin System with more than 1600 students enrolled during the fall of 2024.

Master's degree programs are available in business, communication, computer science, education, and human services professions. An extensive program of online classes is offered for those who are employed during the day. It is possible to complete some master's degree programs through summer and evening work without being a full-time student during the academic year. Beginning in the fall of 2014, UW-Whitewater began offering the first Doctorate of Business Administration degree.

Graduate certificate programs are available in business, communication, education, human services professions, and STEM fields.

Graduate degree programs at UW-Whitewater are fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) (<https://www.hlcommission.org/>), the AACSB (<https://www.aacsb.edu/>), the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (<https://www.asha.org/>), the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) (<https://www.cacrep.org/>), the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) (<https://www.cswe.org/>), the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) (<https://www.nasponline.org/>), and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) (<https://dpi.wi.gov/>).

Information on specific degree programs is found in the Degree Programs section of this catalog. For further information on admission to graduate studies contact the School of Graduate Studies in Roseman Building 2013, call 262-472-1006, or visit the School of Graduate Studies website (<https://www.uww.edu/gradstudies/>).

## Mission Statement

The School of Graduate Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater oversees programs whose goal is to provide high quality, practitioner-oriented programs that use knowledge and skills acquired through baccalaureate degrees as a foundation for advanced preparation and professional development for careers in business and industry, education and human services.

The graduate programs achieve this through provision of learner-centered processes which couple professional experiences with advanced knowledge and highly-refined analytic, communicative and functional skills such that their students are capable of performances that characterize the best practices of their profession.

To that end, all master's level graduates will be able to:

- comprehend and discuss advanced theoretical questions and current issues;
- collect, analyze and interpret data applicable to complex questions and problems;

- conceptualize, evaluate and implement solutions to complex problems;
- use appropriate technologies as needed; and
- synthesize and articulate multiple concepts in a clear, concise and persuasive manner.