

## **Graduate and Professional Education Opportunities for Baccalaureate Graduates**

### **Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 31% of social sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 5% a graduate certificate, 3% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 10% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in communications were: education (22%), business, management, and marketing (17%), and communication and journalism (14%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 29% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (56%), the Master of Public Administration (11%), and the Master of Science in Project Management (11%).

<sup>1</sup> <chrome-extension://efaidnbmninnibpcapjpcglclefndmkaj/https://nces.ed.gov/pubs2021/2021241.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Statistics were obtained from NCES's DataLab, utilizing the 2008 baccalaureate cohort with a 2018 follow-up of the Baccalaureate and Beyond study.

### **Bachelor of Arts in Psychology**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology may consider continuing their education. In 2017, 3.5 million people in the United States held a bachelor's degree in psychology. Of these, 13% also earned a master's degree in psychology, 4% earned a doctorate or professional degree in psychology, 3% earned both a master's degree and a doctorate/professional degree in psychology, and 30% earned a master's degree in a field other than psychology, such as health, social services, or education.<sup>1</sup> According to federal statistics, the top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in psychology were: psychology (29%), health professions and related sciences (21%), and education (15%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 25% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (49%), the Master of Business Administration (14%), and the Master of Education (12%).

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.apa.org/monitor/2019/09/datapoint-grad-school>

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### **Bachelor of Science in Accounting**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Accounting may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a

graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup> Popular master's degrees for accounting students include accounting, taxation, and business administration.<sup>3</sup>

Through March 2023, 31% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Accounting at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (39%), the Master of Science in Accounting (35%), and the Master of Science in Accounting – CPA Track (10%).

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<sup>3</sup> <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/accounting-major-overview>

### **Bachelor of Science in Biology**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Biology may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 25% of biological and physical sciences, science technology, mathematics, and agricultural sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 4% a graduate certificate, 9% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 18% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in the biological or physical sciences were: health professions and related sciences (51%), biological and biomedical sciences (17%), and physical sciences (9%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 31% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Biology at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (43%), the Master of Education (21%), and the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (14%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Business Administration**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 31% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (69%), the Master of Science in Project Management (5%), and the Master of Education (5%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Child Studies**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Child Studies may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 36% of education baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree and 8% a graduate certificate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in education were: education (79%), health professions and related sciences (7%), and business, management, and marketing (2%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 18% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Child Studies at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Education (62%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (19%), and the Master of Science in Higher Education Leadership (5%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 17% of computer and information sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in computer and information sciences were: computer and information sciences (44%), business, management, and marketing (34%), and education (8%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 13% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (49%), the Master of Science in Project Management (22%), and the Master of Education (5%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 31% of social sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 5% a graduate certificate, 3% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 10% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in the social sciences were: legal professions and studies (24%), business, management, and marketing (15%), and education (13%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 24% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Public Administration (32%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (26%), and the Master of Business Administration (22%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Data Science**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Data Science may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 17% of computer and information sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in computer and information sciences were: computer and information sciences (44%), business, management, and marketing (34%), and education (8%).<sup>2</sup>

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### **Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management and Homeland Security**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management and Homeland Security may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 31% of social sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 5% a graduate certificate, 3% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 10% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in the social sciences were: legal professions and studies (24%), business, management, and marketing (15%), and education (13%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 20% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management and Homeland Security at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Public Administration (59%), the Master of Business Administration (13%), and the Master of Science in Project Management (10%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Equine Studies**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Equine Studies may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 25% of biological and physical sciences, science technology, mathematics, and agricultural sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 4% a graduate certificate, 9% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 18% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in agriculture and natural resources were: agriculture and related sciences (20%), health professions and related sciences (19%), and biological and biomedical sciences (11%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 12% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Equine Studies at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (33%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (17%), and the Master of Education (17%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Finance**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Finance may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 23% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Finance at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (78%), the Master of Science in Accounting (5%), and the Master of Science in Accounting – CPA Track (5%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Gaming and Esports Management**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Gaming and Esports Management may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 23% of general studies (which includes leisure activities) baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 7% a graduate certificate, and 5% a

professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in general studies and other (including leisure studies) were: education (31%), health professions and related sciences (16%), and legal professions and studies (11%).<sup>2</sup>

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### **Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 19% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (86%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (5%), and the Master of Science in Project Management (5%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Human Services**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Human Services may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 31% of social sciences baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 5% a graduate certificate, 3% a research/scholarly doctorate, and 10% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in the social sciences were: legal professions and studies (24%), business, management, and marketing (15%), and education (13%).<sup>2</sup> Popular master's degrees for human services students include psychology, counseling, social work, and education.<sup>3</sup>

Through March 2023, 31% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Human Services at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (65%), the Graduate Certificate in Professional Counseling (16%), and the Graduate Certificate in Alcohol and Drug Counseling (5%).

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<sup>3</sup> <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/human-services-major-overview>

### **Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 23% of other applied (which includes legal studies) baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 3% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in law and legal studies were: legal professions and studies (31%), business, management, and marketing (28%), and security and protective services (14%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 21% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Legal Studies at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (32%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (25%), and the Master of Public Administration (19%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Management**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Management may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 24% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Management at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (64%), the Master of Science in Project Management (9%), and the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (7%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Marketing**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Marketing may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 22% of business baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 2% a graduate certificate, and 2% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three

fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in business were: business, management, and marketing (57%), health professions and related sciences (12%), and legal professions and studies (7%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 23% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Marketing at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (74%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (6%), and the Master of Science in Project Management (3%).

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### **Bachelor of Science in Sport Management**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Sport Management may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 23% of general studies (which includes leisure activities) baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 7% a graduate certificate, and 5% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in general studies and other (including leisure studies) were: education (31%), health professions and related sciences (16%), and legal professions and studies (11%).<sup>2</sup>

Through March 2023, 21% of the students who completed the Bachelor of Science in Sport Management at Post University also enrolled in a graduate program at Post. The most popular programs were the Master of Business Administration (69%), the Master of Science in Counseling and Human Services (6%), and the Master of Education (6%).

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### **Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing may consider continuing their education. In one federal study, 33% of health care fields baccalaureate graduates earned a master's degree, 3% a graduate certificate, and 5% a professional degree or non-research doctorate.<sup>1</sup> The top three fields of study for first post-baccalaureate enrollments by students who earned a bachelor's in the health care fields were: health professions and related sciences (82%), education (6%), and business, management, and marketing (3%).<sup>2</sup> Students who have earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and are considering graduate school may explore enrolling in a Master of Science in Nursing or a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree.<sup>3</sup>

From 2011 to March 2023, 11% of Post University Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing graduates enrolled in the Master of Science in Nursing program at Post.



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<sup>3</sup> <https://nursejournal.org/degrees/types-of-nursing-degrees/>