

# PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Degree Type

**Bachelor's Degree**

Also Offered Fully Online

**Bachelor's**



For adult learners, it's never too late to succeed. Monroe's Bachelor of Science degree in Professional Studies offers working adults the opportunity to advance their career goals and increase their marketability, all on a flexible schedule that's built to accommodate a busy lifestyle. Students customize their college experience, by selecting a 30-credit area of specialization, with a focus on the skills that employers require across a broad range of industries.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- + You can transfer up to 90 credits from previous college experience.
- + You can also earn credits from prior learning assessment of your work experience, military training, national exams, certifications, and more — allowing you to earn credit for college-level learning you already possess, and save both time and money in pursuit of your degree.
- + 30 credits of the 60-credit elective curriculum are open electives, which you can customize to align with your unique learning goals.

## SPECIALIZATIONS INCLUDE:

- + Accounting and Business Management
- + CASAC (Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor)
- + Criminal Justice Administration
- + Information Technology Management
- + Health Services Administration
- + Hospitality Management
- + Human Services Administration
- + Public Health Management

**WITH THE FLEXIBILITY AND CUSTOMIZATION AVAILABLE, PURSUING THE BS IN PROFESSIONAL STUDIES WAS AN EASY DECISION. I WAS ABLE TO TRANSFER CREDITS FROM MY PRIOR STUDIES AND GET CREDITS FOR WORK EXPERIENCE.**

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## **BACHELOR'S DEGREE**

The 120-credit BS Professional Studies degree includes a core of 30 credits, 30 credits in your chosen specialization, 30 credits of general education and liberal arts elective courses, and 30 credits of open electives. This degree program is designed for working adults and allows you to tailor your course selection to meet your personal education and career goals.

<b>CORE COURSES</b>	<b>YOUR CHOSEN SPECIALIZATION</b>	<b>GENERAL EDUCATION, LIBERAL ARTS &amp; OPEN ELECTIVES</b>
<b>(30 credits)</b>	<b>(30 credits) 10 three-credit courses in one of these specializations:</b>	<b>(60 credits)</b>
English	Accounting and Business Management	Social Sciences
Mathematics	CASAC (Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor)	Fine Arts
Humanities	Criminal Justice Administration	Liberal Arts
Natural Science	Information Technology Management	Open Electives
Information Technology	Health Services Administration	
Speech/Communication	Hospitality Management	
Professional Studies Capstone	Human Services Administration	
	Public Health Management	

### **CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT**

Earn credits for what you know to save time and money. Our prior learning assesment gives you an opportunity to demonstrate learning that has taken place in your life through your work, military training, national exams, certifications, and elsewhere. The prior learning process allows you to earn credit for college-level learning you already possess, decreases the amount of time to earn your degree, and saves you money. Prior learning credits awarded for life experience are demonstrated through portfolio development, challenge exams, and projects.