

D. Degrees conferred/characteristics of graduates:

The number of undergraduate students earning baccalaureate degrees from William Paterson has increased by 23 percent from 2002 to 2006. This past undergraduate graduating class contained 1,662 students. About two-thirds of those who graduated were White, almost 11 percent were African American, 13 percent, Hispanic, and 4 percent were Asian. Six out of ten graduates were women.

Wm. Paterson Table II.D.1.a: Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred by Race/Ethnicity, FY 2006															
White		Black		Hispanic		Asian		American Indian		Alien		Unknown		Total	Pct
Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct
1,129	67.0%	180	10.8%	217	13.1%	67	4.0%	5	0.3%	16	1.0%	48	2.9%	1,662	100.0%

Wm. Paterson Table II.D.1.b: Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred by Sex, FY 2006					
Men		Women		Total	
Num	Pct	Num	Pct	Num	Pct
604	36.3%	1,058	63.7%	1,662	100.0%

The most popular majors for the graduating class of FY 2006 were: business administration, the social sciences such as sociology and political science, communication, psychology, English. While not a major, the College of Education prepares many students to enter the teaching profession. This past year's graduating class saw the first two undergraduates to complete the University's PT4T (Paterson Teachers for Tomorrow) program. The program was established in 1999 and seeks to develop teachers with the knowledge, skills and commitment to teach in the City of Paterson, New Jersey. Students are recruited from Future Teacher of America clubs that were created at the City's three high schools. They are awarded full tuition scholarships via a competitive selection process and must seek degrees leading to teacher certification. Upon graduation students are required to teach in Paterson for a minimum of three years.

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Table II.D.2:
Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred by
General Field, FY 2006**

IPEDS CIP Code	Major Category	No.
03	Agriculture	6
05	Area/Ethnic Studies	15
09	Communication	238
11	Computer Sciences	20
13	Education	130
16	Foreign Languages	20
23	English Language	141
26	Biological Sciences	38
27	Mathematics	28
38	Philosophy/Religion	6
40	Physical Sciences	5
42	Psychology	171
45	Social Sciences	239
50	Visual/Performing Arts	133
51	Health Professions	95
52	Business/Management	310
54	History	67
	TOTAL	1,662

Students at William Paterson are able to take courses online. Last year saw the addition of a new winter session where courses were offered only online. Currently, the University does not offer a complete program via distance learning so there are no students graduating from this kind of program.

The University also awarded 275 masters level degrees in the last academic year. This was a 6 percent increase for the five year period, 2002-2006. In total, William Paterson conferred 1,937 degrees in the last year.