

# ACCELERATED DUAL-DEGREE BS IN ECONOMICS/MS IN JOURNALISM (3+1)

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The Accelerated Dual-Degree BS in Economics/MS in Journalism (3+1) program offers highly motivated students an opportunity to earn a BS in Economics from the College of Arts & Sciences and an MS in Journalism from the School of Communications in just 4 years. Both degrees are completed in full without compromise. Students continue to have the ability to study abroad or engage in a program such as QU in DC.

This program offers advantages to students who have a passion for economics and ambitions for a career in journalism. The study of economics develops a student's critical thinking and analytical skills. The program is designed so that students, in consultation with their adviser, develop areas of inquiry to engage in a deep exploration of current issues. With the foundation of economic coursework, students are equipped with the knowledge and insight that lead to high-quality journalistic work particularly with application to the field of economics.

Examples of jobs that 3+1 students would be uniquely qualified for include: data journalist, economics news reporter, economy reporter, growth and economy reporter, labor and economics reporter, economics writer/editor and economic development reporter. By pairing their passion for journalism with the foundation of economics, students substantially increase their employability and job prospects upon graduation.

Students in the accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MS (3+1) program must complete:

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
EC 111	Principles of Microeconomics	3
EN 101	Introduction to Academic Reading and Writing (UC First Year Writing)	3
FYS 101	First-Year Seminar (UC Foundations Inquiry)	3
MA 170	Probability and Data Analysis (UC Math)	3
Foreign Language 101		3
Free Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
EC 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
EC 272	Advanced Applied Statistics	3
EN 102	Academic Writing and Research (UC First Year Writing)	3
Foreign Language 102		3
Fine Arts Elective		3
Free Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>		
Humanities Elective		3

Fine Arts (AR) or Science (SC) (no lab)		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
EC 211	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
EC Electives		6
Natural Science with Lab		4
Humanities Elective		3
JRN 260	News Writing	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>19</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
EC 212	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
EC 365	Econometrics	3
EC Elective		3
JRN 275	Reporting Fundamentals	3
Personal Inquiry Elective		3
Free Electives		5
<b>Credits</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>		
Free Electives		6
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
EC 450	Senior Seminar	3
JRN 380	Multimedia Storytelling	3
JRN 501	Reporting and Fact-Checking	3
or Free Elective		
CAS 420	CAS Integrative Capstone	3
EC Elective		3
Free Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Free Electives		18
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
JRN 504	Sports Writing, Reporting & Content Creation	3
JRN Graduate Electives		6
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
JRN 546	Advanced Multimedia Storytelling	3
JRN 552	Media Law and Ethics	3
JRN 600	Capstone Proposal	3
JRN Graduate Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Summer Semester</b>		
JRN 601	Capstone Project	3
JRN Graduate Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>150</b>

## Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the undergraduate program, students will demonstrate the following competencies:

1. **Knowledge of Economics:** Students demonstrate and can apply the core theories of economics.
2. **Quantitative Reasoning:** Students develop the ability to represent mathematical information symbolically, visually, numerically and verbally, and to interpret mathematical models such as graphs, tables and schematics to draw inferences. They also develop an ability to use arithmetical, algebraic, geometric and statistical methods to solve social and business problems.
3. **Critical Thinking:** Students develop the ability to recognize problems and to acquire, assess and synthesize information to analyze social and business problems.

Upon completion of the MS in Journalism program, students should be able to demonstrate the following competencies:

1. **Understand** professional journalistic practices, ethical standards and technologies and be able to apply reason to develop ideas within these structures.
2. **Analyze** information based on journalistic practices of research, interviews and observation.
3. **Evaluate** information in determining the story's narrative structure and reach via social media and other applications.
4. **Report and compose** a story—either visual, multimedia or text—that informs, enlightens, entertains and is useful to the reader or audience within professional journalistic reporting and writing practices and ethical standards.

## Admission Requirements: College of Arts & Sciences

The requirements for admission into the undergraduate College of Arts & Sciences programs are the same as those for admission to Quinnipiac University.

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The accelerated dual-degree (3+) program is designed for outstanding students. First-year applicants will be considered for an accelerated dual-degree program based on demonstrated academic achievement to complete the bachelor's degree at an accelerated pace.

While scores are not required, if a student wants to submit, they should have at least a 1200 SAT or 25 ACT to be considered

For detailed admission requirements, including required documents, please visit the Admissions page (<http://catalog.qu.edu/general-information/admissions/>) of this catalog. You can also learn more about accelerated dual-degrees (<https://www.qu.edu/academics/about-our-programs/accelerated-dual-degree/>) on qu.edu