

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Requirements

To earn the Master of Public Administration degree, students choose from a range of courses that have been designed specifically for the MPA program and may also take up to one course in allied areas.

Students, in consultation with the program director, select courses to suit their academic, personal, and career goals.

Code	Title	Credits
PUAD 5400	Data Analysis for Public Administrators	3
PUAD 5405	Introduction to Public Administration	3
PUAD 5410	Financial Management and Budgeting	3
PUAD 5415	Human Resource Management ¹	3
PUAD 5420	Research Methods	3
PUAD 5425	Administrative Leadership and Ethics	3
PUAD 6999	Capstone Experience	3
Elective Courses		
Select five courses from a specialization of choice, listed below		15
Total Credits		36

¹ Students may substitute one of the following courses for PUAD 5415: MGMT 6505 or MGMT 6525

Specializations

In addition to required courses offered by the MPA program, students will choose one specialization from the following areas:

City/State Management Track

Code	Title	Credits
PUAD 5435	Grant Writing	3
or DATA 6520	Analytics Consulting and Strategy	
PUAD 5440	State and Local Government	3
PUAD 5445	Urban Policy	3
Electives		6
Total Credits		15

Emergency Management Track

Code	Title	Credits
PUAD 5435	Grant Writing	3
or DATA 6520	Analytics Consulting and Strategy	
PUAD 5460	Introduction to Public Safety Administration	3
PUAD 5465	Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	3
Electives		6
Total Credits		15

Health Administration Track

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 7602	Healthcare Economics and Marketing	3
PUAD 5435	Grant Writing	3
or DATA 6520	Analytics Consulting and Strategy	
PUAD 5455	Healthcare Management	3
Electives		6
Total Credits		15

Nonprofit Track

Code	Title	Credits
DATA 6520	Analytics Consulting and Strategy	3
PUAD 5430	Economics of the Nonprofit Sector	3
PUAD 5435	Grant Writing	3
Electives		6
Total Credits		15

Public Administration Electives

Code	Title	Credits
PUAD 5430	Economics of the Nonprofit Sector	3
PUAD 5435	Grant Writing	3
PUAD 5440	State and Local Government	3
PUAD 5445	Urban Policy	3
PUAD 5455	Healthcare Management	3
PUAD 5460	Introduction to Public Safety Administration	3
PUAD 5465	Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	3
PUAD 5470	American Public Policy	3
HCAD 6100	Introduction to the United States Healthcare System	3

In addition to the MPA courses listed above, students may take one of the following elective courses in Communication:

Code	Title	Credits
COMM 5321	Communication Processes in Organizations: Negotiation	3
COMM 5324	Crisis Communication	3
COMM 5340	Conflict Communication	3
COMM 5343	Ethics and Medical Marketing Communication	3
COMM 5347	Communication in Healthcare Organizations	3
COMM 5348	Health Risk Communication	3
COMM 5488	Health Risk Communication	3
COMM 5502	Small Group and Team Communication	3
COMM 5524	Negotiation and Conflict Management: Communication Approaches	3
COMM 5532	Nonprofit Media	3
COMM 5547	Healthcare Organizational Communication	3