

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY, EMPHASIS

The Public Administration and Policy Analysis emphasis equips students with a robust understanding of the intricacies of policy-making, governance, and administrative processes, underpinned by a strong foundation in quantitative analysis and data science. This specialization is tailored to foster a deep comprehension of how policies are formulated, implemented, and evaluated, integrating theoretical knowledge with practical skills in statistical analysis and evidence-based decision-making. Students are immersed in a curriculum that covers a broad spectrum of public administration and policy areas, including economic policy, social policy, environmental policy, and health policy, among others. The emphasis on quantitative methods and data science prepares students to tackle complex policy questions, using data to inform policy design and assess policy outcomes. This approach not only enhances the analytical capabilities of students but also prepares them for a dynamic career landscape where data-driven insights are paramount. Graduates of this specialization are well-prepared for roles in research institutions, governmental agencies, political consulting firms, non-profit organizations, and beyond. They emerge as policy analysts, public administrators, and consultants who can navigate the complexities of the public sector, drive innovation in policy analysis and formulation, and contribute to effective and efficient governance. This emphasis is designed for those committed to making a tangible impact through the art and science of public administration and policy analysis.

Course Requirements

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Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select 15 credit hours:		15
PSC 200	Models of Politics	
PSC 301	City Management	
PSC 302	Models of Public Policy	
PSC 311	Issues in Public Policy	
PSC 333	Intro to Public Administration	
PSC 432	Nonprofit Management	
PSC 433	Public Policy Development	
PSC 442	Politics of Poverty	
PSC 450	Administrative Law	
PSC 452	Public Personnel Admin	
PSC 453	Public Finance Management	
PSC 454	Public Organizations	
PSC 461	American Cities	
PSC 489	Seminar in Public Service	