Master of Public Policy

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

• Core courses prepare you to understand public policy design and analysis techniques and the role of politics and power in influencing and implementing public policy

• Tailored to your interests through your electives, internship, capstone, and optional concentration

• Designed for maximum flexibility for your busy schedule – evening, weekend intensive, and online classes

• Taught by nationally renowned faculty and expert practitioners

• Extensive network of alumni and partner organizations plus a dedicated career services specialist

GRE NOT REQUIRED

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NUMBER OF COURSES

12 (MINIMUM)

REQUIRED COURSES

- The Policy Process and Democracy
- Principles of Policy Design
- Research and Analytic Methods
- Economics and Public Finance
- Public Policy Analysis
- Public Participation, Political Equity, and Government
- Policy Workshop Seminar
- Capstone OR Thesis
- Plus electives

AVAILABLE AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

- Education Policy
- Environmental Policy
- Policy Analysis Methods
- Policy Entrepreneurship and Advocacy

CAREERS

MPP graduates advocate for and design new policy ideas, implement them, and evaluate their successes or failures. Graduates work in positions as varied as:

- Campaign Consultant
- Community Engagement Director
- Data Analyst
- Economic Development Specialist
- Equity Advocate
- Government Relations Director
- Legislative Staff
- Legislator
- Lobbyist
- Nonprofit Founder
- Policy Analyst
- Policy Communications Specialist
- Policy Director
- Policy Researcher
- Political Advocacy Director
- Social Entrepreneur

WAYS TO LEARN

In person, online, hybrid

APPLICATION DEADLINE

- FALL
  August 1
- SPRING
  December 1
- SUMMER
  May 1

Last updated in December 2021. Application deadlines subject to change.