

Public Administration, M.P.A

Revisions effective for 2012-13

To earn the MPA degree, 36 semester hours of course work is now required for all.

The field internship is now an option and not required.

These are Core Course Requirements

PADM 400 Public Service in the United States	.....3
PADM 401 Management Practices for the Public Service	.....3
PADM 403 Quantitative Methods and Tools for Public Administrators	.....3
PADM 404 Human Resource Management	.....3
PADM 405 Public Budgeting and Financial Management	.....3
PADM 406 Research and Evaluation Methods for Public and Nonprofit Managers	.....3
PADM 497 Capstone: PADM 491, 492, 493-Practicum or PADM 490- Thesis	.....3
PADM 498 Field Internship or a Service Learning Course (Service Learning Courses are identified in the semester schedule.)	.....3
One policy course. (Policy courses are identified in the semester schedule.)	.....3
Three courses in an area of concentration	.....9

Concentrations

All students are required to declare a concentration upon entering the program. A concentration comprises a minimum of three courses in the subject area approved by the graduate advisor. Certain courses offered outside of the program may be applied toward fulfillment of a concentration with approval of the graduate advisor. A student's declared concentration should directly relate to the student's immediate and long-range career plans. Students should consult with the program's graduate advisor before declaring their concentrations.

Health Services Management

In this concentration students take courses in management issues of health funding access, differentiated needs of various user populations, role of interest groups,

administration of health services to senior citizens, policy implementation, and ethical implications of healthcare policy.

Government Management

This concentration is for students who are seeking to begin or further their careers as government administrators. Students in this concentration may emphasize government management, local government policy and politics, or criminal justice.

Nonprofit Management

This concentration is designed for practicing and aspiring administrators of nonprofit organizations. Students in this concentration take courses that focus the history, legal structure, strategic planning and program management in the nonprofit sector.