

Master of Public Administration

Program code: 57500, version 20123

Department of Political Science
36 semester hours

| Required Courses: 21 semester hours | GR | S.H. |
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| POL 465 Administrative Law | | 3 |
| POL 509 Approaches and Methods in Political Science | | 3 |
| POL 515 Principles and Problems of Public Administration | | 3 |
| POL 516 Administrative and Organizational Theory | | 3 |
| POL 517 Public Personnel & Strategic Human Resource Management | | 3 |
| POL 518 Budgeting and Decision Making | | 3 |
| POL 538 Program and Policy Evaluation | | 3 |

| Research Requirement: 3 or 6 semester hours | GR | S.H. |
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| Select one of the following POL courses with approval of MPA Program Coordinator. | | |
| POL 503 Thesis* | | 6 |
| POL 581 Professional Seminar | | 3 |

*POL 503, Thesis is undertaken upon the successful completion of all course work. The student works in consultation with a thesis advisor who oversees the research and the writing of the thesis. The 6 semester hours may be split into two 3 semester hour segments for registration over two semesters or sessions. One letter grade is assigned for the 6 semester hours of Thesis.

| **Electives: 9 or 12 semester hours | GR | S.H. |
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| POL 425 Public Policy Making | | 3 |
| POL 562 Urban Politics | | 3 |
| POL 571 Nonprofit Organizational Management | | 3 |
| POL 577 Selected Topics in Political Science | | 3 |
| POL 580 Independent Study | | 3 |

**Students completing POL 503, Thesis must complete 9 semester hours of electives. Students completing POL 581, Professional Seminar must complete 12 semester hours of electives. Students may take one elective (3 semester hours) outside the Department of Political Science with approval.