# PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION, GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

## Curriculum

To earn a certificate, students must complete the following four courses:

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<td>MPPA 401-DL/401-0</td>
<td>Research Methods</td>
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<td>MPPA 407-DL/407-0</td>
<td>Scope and Theory of Public Policy</td>
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Any two courses:

- MPPA 403-DL/403-0: Fundamentals of Public Administration
- MPPA 404-DL/404-0: Microeconomics for Public Policy Administration
- MPPA 406-DL/406-0: Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis
- MPPA 408-DL/408-0: Public Organization Theory & Management
- MPPA 411-DL/411-0: The Legislative Process
- MPPA 413-DL/413-0: Foundations of the Nonprofit/NGO Sector
- MPPA 417-DL/417-0: Public Human Resources
- MPPA 418-DL/418-0: Ethics and Leadership
- MPPA 419-DL/419-0: The Strategic Policy Environment
- MPPA 421-DL: Administrative Law
- MPPA 430-DL/430-0: Behavioral Economics
- MPPA 432-DL/432-0: Intergovernmental Relations
- MPPA 435-DL/435-0: Regulatory Policy
- MPPA 440-DL/440-0: International Institutions
- MPPA 450-DL/450-0: Global Economic Policy
- MPPA 490-DL/490-0: Special Topics in Public Policy

In some cases, students who have completed equivalent coursework previously may be allowed to replace the required course with another course in the field.

Students wishing to transfer the courses into the MPPA program should focus the two elective classes in an area that corresponds to the MPPA specializations of Global Policy (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/sps/graduate/public-policy-administration/public-policy-administration-ma-global-specialization/), Public Administration (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/sps/graduate/public-policy-administration/public-policy-administration-ma-public-administration-specialization/), or Public Policy (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/sps/graduate/public-policy-administration/public-policy-administration-ma-public-policy-specialization/).