

Master of Public Policy

The Master of Public Policy (M.P.P.) program is a two-year professional degree program administered by the School of Social Ecology. The program provides training for highly motivated and talented individuals to become leaders at the local, state, national, and international level in the development and management of policies that lead to a more effective public sector, a more productive private sector, and more vibrant communities.

Requirements

Students are required to complete 72 units of graduate courses. In the first year, students will attend an introductory conference, participate in a workshop, and take seven core courses and two elective courses. In the summer after the first year, students will participate in a policy-relevant internship in an appropriate government, business, or nonprofit setting. In the second year, students take three core courses and five elective courses.

A part-time option is available for students. Part-time students take two courses per quarter over the span of three years. These students have the choice of completing the required summer internship in the summer after year one, or the summer after year two. The required capstone project takes place during the winter and spring quarters of year three.

Course Requirements

Year One

A. Complete:

PUB POL 215	Statistics and Methods for Public Policy
PUB POL 219	Information and Public Policy
PUB POL 221	Public Policy
PUB POL 225	Qualitative Methods
PUB POL 240	Microeconomics and Public Policy
PUB POL 283	Collaborative Governance and Public Management
SOCIOL 249	Special Topics: Political Sociology and Social Movements

B. Select two electives

Year Two

C. Complete:

PUB POL 227	Economics of Government
PUB POL 260	Policy and Ethics

Two quarters of Capstone research and briefing

D. Select five electives

Additional information is available at the Master of Public Policy website (<http://mpp.web.uci.edu/>).