

Public Policy, MPP

Modality

On Campus

Program URL

<https://mccourt.georgetown.edu/master-of-public-policy/>

The Master of Public Policy program builds a foundation for future policy leaders, focusing on economics; quantitative methods; management; and politics. Graduates excel in policy design, analysis and implementation.

Academic Policies

The academic policies and procedures of the Public Policy program are those specified in Georgetown's University Bulletin.

Requirements

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The Master of Public Policy is a 48-credit program divided into core courses, capstone, and elective courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
PPOL 5004	Intermediate Microeconomics	0-3
PPOL 5005	Microecon II:Mkt Fail Pub Econ	3
PPOL 5000	Stat Meth for Policy Analysis	3
PPOL 5001	Reg. Meth. for Policy Analysis	3
PPOL 5002	Adv Regression/Prog Eval Meth	3
PPOL 1800	Intro to Data Management I (pass/fail)	0
PPOL 5006	The Politics of Policy-Making	3
	or PPOL 5007 Comp Politics of Policy-Making	
PPOL 5008	Public Management	3
	or PPOL 5009 Mgmt & Implem in Dev Countries	
PPOL 5010	Ethics/Values/Public Policy	3
Capstone Project		
	Capstone Project ¹	3
Elective Courses		
	18 Elective credits ²	18
Total Credits		42-45

¹ The MPP program aims to educate students to think critically about public policy and to demonstrate a mastery of the various skills embodied in the curriculum.

Students choose between two capstone experiences: completing a thesis, or completing a client- based capstone. Both options span two semesters, and involve answering a policy question in an analytically rigorous manner, drawing on the knowledge and skills of the MPP curriculum.

Students who choose the thesis capstone option will develop a research question and work with their advisor to formulate and implement a research plan. Students who choose the client-

based capstone option will work with a small group of fellow students to study a real policy problem for an actual organization.

² MPP students expand on the analytical skills they attain in their core coursework with 18 credits of elective courses. Students have an array of elective courses. Our expert faculty teach a wide range of elective courses, focusing on today's most relevant policy areas and methods.

Many McCourt School students choose to align their elective coursework with their interests and career goals. While not required, students may choose to focus their elective coursework in a particular area of study like Environmental Policy, Health Policy, or Development Policy.