



AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AT MONTGOMERY

COLLEGE OF
 LIBERAL ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Political Science & Public Administration

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)
PLAN OF STUDY

| MPA Required Core | Semester Hours | Grade | Term Taken | When to Enroll and Offered |
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| 6 courses: 18 hours | | | | |
| PUAD 6010 Introduction to Public Administration | 3 | | | Year 1 Fall 2019 |
| PUAD 6530 Economics for Policymakers | 3 | | | Year 1 Spring 2020 – <i>Hybrid</i> |
| PUAD 6540 Public Finance for Policymakers | 3 | | | Year 2 Fall 2019 – <i>Hybrid</i> |
| PUAD 6050 Human Resource Administration | 3 | | | Year 1 Spring 2020 |
| PUAD 6060 Research Design | 3 | | | Year 1 Fall 2019 |
| PUAD 6080 Statistics and Data Analysis | 3 | | | Year 1 Requires 6060 Spring 2020 |
| MPA Required Electives | | | | |
| Choose Any 5 courses: 15 hours Upcoming Elective Offerings | | | | When to Enroll and Offered |
| PUAD 6030 Organization Theory and Behavior | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 or 6070 Spring 2019 |
| PUAD 6070 Public Policymaking | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 Fall 2019 |
| PUAD 6130 State and Local Government | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 Spring 2020 |

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| PUAD 6140 Issues in Public Administration | 3 | | | After at least one semester Summer – <i>Hybrid</i> |
| PUAD 6160 Intergovernmental Relations | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 TBA |
| PUAD 6260 Program Evaluation | 3 | | | Taken after 6060 and 6080 Fall 2018 |
| PUAD 6310 Policy and Politics in Urban America | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 Spring 2019 |
| PUAD 6720 Grants and Contracts | 3 | | | Taken after 6010 Fall 2019 |
| PUAD 6924 Internship in Public Administration | 3 | | | To be arranged by the student with a relevant public, non-profit, or private entity; requires prior approval to receive credit. Offered every semester. |
| PUAD 6972 Special Topics | 3 | | | Topic of the course varies by semester |
| Graduate Course Offered by Another Department at AUM | 3 | | | Requires prior approval to receive credit, limit of two non-PUAD courses |
| MPA Required Capstone: 3 hours | Semester Hours | Grade | Term taken | When to Enroll and Offered |
| PUAD 6090 Capstone Seminar | 3 | | | Taken in the student's final semester PUAD 6080 is a prerequisite Offered fall and spring semesters |

Important information

- The minimum GPA needed to receive the MPA degree is 3.0.
- 12 courses/36 credit hours are required for the MPA degree.
- Students may take as few as one course per semester or as many as four courses a semester.
- PUAD 6972 is a “special topics” course and the topic varies across semesters. Students may take more than one course numbered PUAD 6972 for credit so long as the topic is different.
- The Certificate in Data Analysis and Policy Evaluation requires PUAD 6060, PUAD 6080, PUAD 6540, and PUAD 6260. Students must earn a minimum grade of a B in each course to receive the certificate.
- The Certificate in State and Local Administration requires PUAD 6130, PUAD 6160, PUAD 6310, and PUAD 6720. Students must earn a minimum grade of a B in each course to receive the certificate.
- Elective offerings are subject to change.
- The courses listed above reflect only those offered between Fall 2018 and Spring 2020.