## MPA-DC Sample 2-Year Program Plan

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**TOTAL CREDITS: 52 (Required)**

**SPECIAL NOTES:**
Students may take Skills Courses and Electives in any order, but must take **5 credits of Skills Classes** and **12 credits of Electives**. MPA students are **not** permitted to take PUBAFRS 5060, 5062, 6045, 6051, 6055, or 6075.

Both PUBAFRS 6040 and PUBAFRS 6080 have pre-requisites as follows:
- PUBAFRS 6030 before PUBAFRS 6040
- PUBAFRS 6070 before PUBAFRS 6080

This plan is designed as a sample program plan for a typical, full-time MPA student who wants to complete the program in two years. The spring-start plan, part-time plan, or ¾ time plan for MPA students may vary each year.
MPA Course Requirement Overview

Core Requirements (32 credits)

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Skills Courses (5 credits)

REQUICK
- PUBAFRS 6500: Written and Oral Communication (2)
- PUBAFRS 6540: Professional Development (1)
- PUBAFRS 6545: Washington Navigator (1)

CHOOSE ANY 1
- PUBAFRS 5513: Excel Basic Skills (1)
- PUBAFRS 5514: Excel Advanced Skills (1)
- PUBAFRS 6505: Governmental Accounting (1)
- PUBAFRS 6510: Conveying Quantitative Data in Public Affairs (1)
- PUBAFRS 6515: Database Management (1)
- PUBAFRS 6520: Balanced Scorecards and Dashboards (1)
- PUBAFRS 6525: Survey Design (1)
- PUBAFRS 6890: Special Topics Skills (1)

Capstone Course (3 credits)

- PUBAFRS 7900: Capstone: Research Paper in Public Affairs

Elective Courses (12 Credits)

REQUICK
- PUBAFRS 7600: Federal Policy and Administration (3)

CHOOSE ANY 3: Elective Courses may be offered in the following topics (may vary each semester):

- Energy Policy & the Environment
- Economic Development & Education Policy
- Grant Writing
- Contract Management
- Health Policy
- Dispute Resolution
- Higher Education Policy for Public Leaders
- Managing Innovation & Change
- Science and Technology Policy
- Non-Profit Management and Governance
- Wicked Policy Problems
- Performance Management
- Workforce Planning Policy
- Project Management
- Criminal Justice Policy
- Strategy for Public Organizations
- Juvenile Justice System Policy
- Public Management Information Systems
- Policy and Strategy in the Nonprofit Sector
- Multivariate Data Analysis
- Capital Budgeting and Capital Markets
- Policy Simulation & Modeling
- Economic Development Policy
- Fundraising and Philanthropy
- Governmental Accounting & Financial Management
- Lobbying & Government Relations
- Nonprofit Financial Management
- Research Project
- Privatization
- Regulation and Deregulation