

JOHN GLENN COLLEGE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MPA Sample 2-Year Program Plan

Autumn Year 1	Spring Year 1	Summer (optional)
PUBAFRS 6000: Public Policy Formulation and Implementation (4)	PUBAFRS 6010: Legal Environment of Public Organizations (4)	OPTIONS: Elective (3 credits each) Skills Courses (1 credit each)
PUBAFRS 6030: Public Sector Economics (4)	*PUBAFRS 6040: Public Budgeting & Finance (4)	
PUBAFRS 6070: Public Affairs Statistics (4)	*PUBAFRS 6080: Public Affairs Program Evaluation (4)	
PUBAFRS 6500: (Skills) Written & Oral Communication (2)	Elective (3 credits each)	
	Skills Course(s) (1 credit each)	

Autumn Year 2	Spring Year 2
PUBAFRS 6050: Managing Public Sector Organizations (4) OR PUBAFRS 7553: Nonprofit Management and Governance (4)	PUBAFRS 6060: Managerial Leadership in Public and Nonprofit Organizations (4)
Elective (3 credits each)	Elective (3 credits each)
Elective (3 credits each)	PUBAFRS 79__: Capstone Course (3)
Skills Course(s) (1 credit each)	Skills Course(s) (1 credit each)

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.

The MPA program is an accredited, in-person, professional master’s degree program. Students must complete a majority of their coursework in-person to align with accreditation standards. Students are highly recommended to take no more than one core or elective course online per term, and availability of online coursework is not guaranteed.

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.

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MPA Course Requirement Overview

Core Requirements (32 credits)

PUBAFRS 6000: Public Policy Formulation and Implementation (4)
PUBAFRS 6010: Legal Environment of Public Organizations (4)
PUBAFRS 6030: Public Sector Economics (4)
PUBAFRS 6040: Public Budgeting and Finance (4)
(Pre-requisite: 6030)

PUBAFRS 6050: Managing Public Sector Organizations
OR **PUBAFRS 7553:** Nonprofit Management and Governance (4)
PUBAFRS 6060: Managerial Leadership in Public and Nonprofit Organizations (4)
PUBAFRS 6070: Public Affairs Statistics (4)
PUBAFRS 6080: Public Affairs Program Evaluation (4)
(Pre-requisite: 6070)

Skills Courses (5 credits)

REQUIRED

PUBAFRS 6500: Written and Oral Communication (2)

CHOOSE ANY 3

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 Courses (3 credits, Choose 1)

PUBAFRS 7900: Capstone: Research Paper in Public Affairs
PUBAFRS 7910: Capstone: Public Policy Issues
PUBAFRS 7940: Capstone: Public Management

PUBAFRS 7950: Capstone: Nonprofit Management
PUBAFRS 7960: Capstone: Information Management
PUBAFRS 7930: Capstone: Public Budgeting and Finance

Elective Courses (12 Credits, Choose 4)

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