

# JOHN GLENN COLLEGE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

## MPA Sample 2-Year Program Plan

Autumn Year 1	Spring Year 1	Summer Year 1
<b>PUBAFRS 6000:</b> Public Policy Formulation and Implementation (4)	<b>PUBAFRS 6010:</b> Legal Environment of Public Organizations (4)	<b>PUBAFRS 6030:</b> Public Sector Economics (4)
<b>PUBAFRS 6500:</b> (Skills) Written & Oral Communication (2)	<b>PUBAFRS 6060:</b> Managerial Leadership in Public and Nonprofit Organizations (4)	<b>Elective</b> (3 credits each)
<b>Skills Course(s)</b> (1 credit each)	<b>Skills Course(s)</b> (1 credit each)	

Autumn Year 2	Spring Year 2	Summer Year 2
<b>PUBAFRS 6070:</b> Public Affairs Statistics (4)	<b>*PUBAFRS 6080:</b> Public Affairs Program Evaluation (4)	<b>Elective</b> (3 credits each)
<b>*PUBAFRS 6040:</b> Public Budgeting & Finance (4)	<b>Elective</b> (3 credits each)	<b>Elective</b> (3 credits each)
	<b>Skills Course(s)</b> (1 credit each)	

Autumn Year 3
<b>PUBAFRS 6050:</b> Managing Public Sector Organizations (4) OR <b>PUBAFRS 7553:</b> Nonprofit Management and Governance (4)
<b>PUBAFRS 79__:</b> Capstone Course (3)

**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