

# PUBLIC AFFAIRS (PA)

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## PA 271 Intro to Public Adm (3 Credits)

Introduction to Public Administration (3) The rise, significance, and role of public administration. Problems of executive leadership, administrative organization, personnel and management, administrative decision-making and adjustment. Three hours of lecture per week.

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## PA 301 Res Methods In Pub Admin (3 Credits)

Research Methods in Public Administration (3) Introduction to applied research methods in public administration with emphasis on descriptive statistical methods as a tool for assisting public managers in decision making. Computer applications included. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: MATH 133.

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## PA 302 Quantitative Methods (3 Credits)

Quantitative Methods in Public Administration (3) Continuation of PA 301 introducing probability and inferential statistics as analytical tools useful to public administrators. Students are expected to gain knowledge and experience in the use of packaged statistical software in data analysis. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 301.

**Prerequisite(s):** PA 301

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## PA 311 Intro To Pub Sector Plng (3 Credits)

Introduction to Public Sector Planning (3) Introduction to the principles, methods, and techniques of public sector planning. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 271.

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## PA 312 Public Budgeting (3 Credits)

Public Budgeting (3) Introduction to the method and nature of government financing, including a study of public revenues, expenditures, debts, fiscal policies, and certain problems related to government fiscal systems. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 271.

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## PA 313 Org Behavior & Mgmt (3 Credits)

Organization Behavior and Management (3) Analysis of various theories of human behavior in organizational settings from the disciplines of Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, and Public Administration. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 271.

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## PA 321 Personnel Admin (3 Credits)

Personnel Administration (3) Principles, theories, and methods of human resource management. Particular attention given to personnel policy, procedures, and collective bargaining. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 313.

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## PA 400 Program Evaluation (3 Credits)

Program Evaluation (3) Focuses on evaluation as a management tool to improve public sector program performance and introduces concepts, principles, methods, and practice of program performance evaluation. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: PA 301 and PA 302.

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## PA 401 Policy Process (3 Credits)

Policy Process (3) Examines the role, influence, and interaction of legislatures, executives, bureaucracies, courts, and interest groups. Focuses on policy processes: problem definition, agenda setting, budgeting, authorization, implementation, and oversight. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: PA 271.

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## PA 410 Seminar in Public Affairs (3 Credits)

Seminar in Public Affairs (3) Special topics seminar that provides for the examination of selected public affairs problems and issues. Specific content varies from semester to semester. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: consent of the instructor.

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## PA 450 Internship in Public Affairs (3 Credits)

Supervised work experience with various public, private, and governmental agencies. Intern will be jointly supervised by the agency head and appropriate academic advisor. Eighteen hours of laboratory per week. Prerequisites: Senior standing and consent of the appropriate faculty advisor or Faculty Chair.

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## PA 461 Sup Ind Study & Research (6 Credits)

Supervised Independent Study (6) Designed to allow students to conduct a scientific inquiry into a problem and present the research finding in a scholarly manner. Prerequisites: Senior standing, overall GPA of 3.30 or better, recommendation from appropriate faculty members and faculty advisor, and approval of the Faculty Chair.

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