Master of Public Administration

Degree Requirements
The Master of Public Administration degree consists of 39 graduate hours, 24 of those hours being required core courses.

Core Courses
- PAdm 701: Public and Nonprofit Governance (Fall)
- PAdm 702: Research Methods in Public Administration (Fall)
- PAdm 710: Public Sector Organizational Theory and Behavior (Fall and Spring)
- PAdm 725: Public Management of Human Resources (Spring)
- PAdm 765: Public Sector Economics (Fall)
- PAdm 802: Quantitative Methods for Public Sector Professionals (Spring)
- PAdm 865: State and Local Government Finance (Spring)
- PAdm 895: Public Decision Making (Spring)

Other courses in Public Administration
- PAdm 501: Integrity in Public Service (Spring)
- PAdm 688: Urban Economics
- PAdm 760: State and Local Economic Development (Fall)
- PAdm 771: Planning Process (Spring)
- PAdm 775: Local Government Law (Summer)
- PAdm 785: Public Works Administration (Summer)
- PAdm 798: Independent Study
- PAdm 825: State and Local Government Administration (Spring)
- PAdm 845: Public Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation
- PAdm 866: Public Financial Management (Fall)
- PAdm 867: State & Local Government Budgeting (Spring)
- PAdm 870: Fund raising and Financial Management for Nonprofit Organizations (Fall)
- PAdm 871: Community Networks (Spring)

Full-Time Students
A typical full-time student taking 3 courses (9 credit hours) per semester can obtain the Master of Public Administration degree in 2 years.
Year 1: Fall - 3 courses; Spring - 3 courses; Summer - 1 course
Year 2: Fall - 3 courses; Spring - 3 courses

Part-Time Students
A typical part-time student taking 2 courses (6 credit hours) per semester can obtain the Master of Public Administration degree in 3 years.

Admission Requirements
Applicants must meet the admission requirements for the Graduate School as well as submit a letter of application, resume and two letters of reference. Additionally, students should be familiar with word processing and spreadsheet applications. International students must attain a minimum score of 575 (paper based) or 88 (internet based) on the TOEFL test, or an overall band score of 7.0 on the IELTS.