Public Administration

Degree Program	Program Type	Dept Application Materials and Admission Criteria	Prerequisite Course Requirements	Department ADM Review	Dept Conditional Admits	Dept Appeal Process
Public Administration BA	On campus	*No additional admission requirements beyond the general UIS criteria	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Integrated BPA/MPA	On campus	*Students must first be admitted to the BPA *Additional qualifications for admission to the integrated program include: -Minimum 3.0 GPA for all previous college course work	*Completion of a basic course in American government or PSC 201, introductory microeconomics or ECO 201 and PSC 242 or equivalent course approved by the department	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Public Administration MPA	On campus & Online	*Minimum overall undergraduate GPA of 2.5, or high GRE score *Competency in one computer spreadsheet applications package (e.g., Lotus or Excel) *Match between career goals and degree program *Writing skills *Students whose native language is not English must achieve a score of 550 or above on the paper-based TOEFL or 213 on the computer-based exam. *Completed MPA Department application form *Resume *Statement describing career goals and how MPA degree would enhance professional development *GRE exam scores are optional, but may be useful in cases of lower undergraduate GPA scores or to otherwise enhance application strength **Online Only:** Additional statement explaining preference for online program **Application Deadlines:** **On campus:** Applications are accepted at any time **Online:** Initial consideration will be given to applications that are complete by March 1 for Fall admissions and October 31 for Spring admissions. Applications received after those dates will be considered on a space availability basis.	*Undergraduate courses in American national government, basic statistics, and microeconomics or a market-based economics survey course, with grades of C or better in each *Introductory U.S. government course or equivalent (PAD 501, PAD 504), microeconomics (PAD 504)	The MPA director, in consultation with other Department faculty if needed	Yes, but only for students who need prerequisites	Yes

| Public Administration DPA | On campus | *Submit portfolio that includes: 1. Educational & Professional goals statement (minimum 600 words) 2. 3 Letters of recommend 3. A professional writing sample for which the applicant was sole author 4. Evidence of significant work experience in public affairs field *Applicants are encouraged but not required, to submit GRE scores as part of their portfolios *An interview may be required *Completed Master's degree Minimum cumulative graduate GPA of 3.25 *Excellent oral and written communica skills *Fit between applicant's educational aspirations and faculty expertise *Quality of previous graduate performanc *Ability to do doctoral-level work *Significant professiona achievemer in public affairs field **Application Deadline:** Application materials must be submitted by March 15 for admission to the cohort that will start in the Fall semester | N/A | Screening for minimum requiremen by DPA Director; review of qualifying applications by DPA faculty | No | No | | | |