

Policy Analysis Concentration

Students must complete 36 semester hours, including the Capstone course in which they will complete the master's closure exercise

The program will consist of 36 hours, 24 core, and 12 electives.

Core courses (3 hours per class unless otherwise specified):

PAD 503	Analytical Tools	3
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Analysis: Must take PAD 503 and choose one from the remaining two analytics courses **3**

PAD 525	Informatics for Public Policy	
PAD 526	Advanced Analytical Tools: Forecasting, Time Series Analysis, and Predictive Analytics	

Policy and Economics: All Required

PAD 504	Budget And Finance	3
PAD 506	Public Policy for Managers	3
PAD 508	Economics and Public Policy	3
PAD 531	Public Policy Analysis	3
PAD 533	Program Evaluation	3

Closure Exercise: Required

PAD 573	Capstone in Public Policy	3
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Total Hours **24**

Students will also complete 12 hours of Public Administration and Public Policy Electives or approved graduate coursework from another department. These 12 hours may be used to complete a concentration or Graduate Certificate. (Note, if a student elects to pursue the **Graduate Geographic Information System Certificate**, they will exceed the typical MPP 36 hours and will take 39 hours).

Policy Analysis Tools

PAD 507	Information for Decision Making	3
PAD 525	Informatics for Public Policy ¹	3
or PAD 526	Advanced Analytical Tools: Forecasting, Time Series Analysis, and Predictive Analytics	

Choose up to two: **6**

PAD 532	Case Analysis	
PAD 431	Operations Research Methods	
PAD 534	Program Implementation	
PAD 554	Community Planning Tools	

Total Hours **12**

¹ Students in this track will take both PAD 525 and PAD 526 with either counting as core or the concentration requirement