

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)

Brooks School of Public Policy

Program Website (<https://publicpolicy.cornell.edu/masters/mpa/>)

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Program Description

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) program is designed for people who aspire to management and leadership roles across the field of public affairs in public, private, and non-profit sectors. It is a two-year, full-time, on-campus professional degree for people ready to tackle the world's most pressing policy problems in careers that serve the greater good. Students choose from seven concentrations, each designed to equip them with specialized knowledge and skills that support their career growth in their chosen field.

Concentration Areas

- Data Science
- Economic Policy
- Environmental and Sustainability Policy
- International Policy Management
- Public and Nonprofit Management
- Science and Technology Policy
- Social Policy: Health, Education, and Inequity

Admission Requirements

Admission to the MPA Program is aimed at fostering academic and professional talent, welcoming applicants from various disciplines and professional backgrounds. While no specific undergraduate major is required, applicants with demonstrated experience in policymaking or policy implementation are especially encouraged to apply. Each application is reviewed holistically and in the context of the overall applicant pool for that admission cycle. To be considered for admission, applicants must submit a complete application package as outlined below.

- Transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
- Two letters of recommendation
- Resume
- Statement of purpose
- Online video interview
- TOEFL or IELTS scores, if applicable
 - Visit the Graduate School Admissions site (<https://gradschool.cornell.edu/admissions/prepare/english-language-proficiency-requirement/>) for more information regarding the English language proficiency requirement, including standing exemptions.

Please visit Cornell Brooks Public Policy: How to Apply website (<https://publicpolicy.cornell.edu/masters/mpa/residential/apply/>) to view our application deadline.

Policies and Procedures

MPA students are expected to meet policies set by the Brooks School of Public Policy and the University for professional master's students. For details about Brooks School academic policies, see the Brooks School policies page. Please review the university catalog policies regarding academic integrity and final exams.

Petitions

Course substitutions may be permitted based on prior mastery of a subject or to request a relevant course not listed within the catalog year's curriculum requirements. These petitions must be approved by the Brooks MPA Program Director.

MPA students must be in-residence for all semesters of the program. They must also attend classes according to the modality offered by the course and cannot request an alternative form of attendance/participation.

Students who face an extenuating circumstance may petition the MPA Director for an exception to an MPA program academic policy.

Good Academic Standing Requirements

The minimum academic standards are as follows:

- A student must maintain a semester and cumulative grade point average of 3.0.
- Students must receive a grade of C or better in all degree requirements. If the course is only offered with S/U grading, a grade of SX must be received.
- A student cannot carry more than two (2) incomplete grades simultaneously.
- Students must complete at least 12 credits each semester unless they have received an approved petition to take fewer than 12 credits (e.g. for Student Disability Services (SDS) accommodation)
- Students must be in-residence unless they are participating in an approved Off-Campus activity, with written approval from the Program Director.
- A student must be making "satisfactory progress" toward a Brooks School master's degree.

Review Process:

At the end of each semester, the Brooks School committee on academic status (CAS) reviews each Bachelor of Science and Professional Master Student's academic record to ensure that the minimum academic standards are met. The committee takes appropriate action for students whose academic achievement is considered unsatisfactory as defined by the criteria above. To support every student's success, the committee may take any of the following actions:

- Withdraw the student permanently from the Brooks School and Cornell University.
- Require the student to take a leave of absence for one or more semesters.
- Issue a warning to the student at one of the following levels (these imply that if the student does not show considerable improvement during the semester, the committee may withdraw the student):
 - Severe warning with danger of being withdrawn
 - Severe warning
 - Warning

- Add the student’s name to a review list; students with this status are monitored by the committee throughout the semester.
- Return the student to good standing.

Any of the above actions may be accompanied by a semester credit limit or a requirement for the student to meet with an academic advisor by a date set by the committee.

Students placed on a required leave must appeal to CAS to return. This appeal occurs at the end of the required leave period. Students who have been withdrawn may appeal the decision before the committee during the pre-semester appeals meeting.

All students with an academic warning status automatically will be reviewed for specific criteria at the end of the subsequent semester. Students put on warning, severe warning, or severe warning with danger of being withdrawn status will be informed of conditions that they are expected to fulfill to return to good standing.

Students who have been previously placed on a required leave and wish to return to the Brooks School must submit a plan of study to the committee before being rejoined. The student should contact the Registrar (BrooksRegistrar@cornell.edu) in the Brooks Office of Admissions, Student Services, and Career Management to discuss the process and due dates.

Students who have been withdrawn from the Brooks School by CAS may request that they be readmitted. Such students have three years from the date they were withdrawn to make this appeal with assistance from an advisor in the Brooks Office of Admissions, Student Services, and Career Management. After three years, a former student must apply for readmission through the Brooks School admissions process. A student applying for readmission should discuss their situation with an advisor in the Brooks Office of Admissions, Student Services and Career Management. The student also should talk with others who may be able to help—faculty mentors, instructors, or a member of the university medical staff. Any information given to the committee is held in the strictest confidence.

Complementary Degree Pathways

Master of Public Administration (MPA) – Juris Doctor (JD) Pathway

Cornell Law School and the Cornell Jeb E. Brooks School of Public Policy offer a four-year pathway that leads to a JD degree and a Master of Public Administration degree. Applicants must apply to, and be accepted by, both schools. Applicants to the MPA program from the Cornell Law School may apply up to twelve (12) credits from the Law School toward their MPA degree, subject to the approval of the director of graduate studies of the Cornell Jeb E. Brooks School of Public Policy.

Master of Public Administration (MPA) - Master of Business Administration (MBA) Pathway

As of May 2025, admissions to the MPA-MBA pathway is on pause. Students who received acceptance into both pathways prior to May 2025 remain eligible to participate.

This pathway enables students to earn an additional degree alongside their MPA degree by applying up to twelve credits across both programs.

Program Information

- Instruction Mode: In Person
- Location: Ithaca, NY
- Minimum Credits for Degree: 62.5
- Length of Program: Two years (four full-time semesters)

Program Requirements

Each course completed may only meet one of the requirements below unless otherwise stated.

Required Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
PUBPOL 5009	Career Management for Public Affairs	1.5
PUBPOL 5111	Public Administration	3
PUBPOL 5120	Global Citizenship	3
PUBPOL 5121	Strategic Negotiations	3
PUBPOL 5160	Diversity, Dialogue and Ethical Leadership	3
PUBPOL 5180	Strategic Planning for Nonprofit Organizations	1.5
PUBPOL 5210	Intermediate Microeconomics for Public Affairs	3
PUBPOL 5310	Applied Econometrics for Public Policy	4
PUBPOL 5414	Project Management	3
PUBPOL 5425	Fundamentals of Accounting and Financial Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5432	Public and Nonprofit Marketing	3
PUBPOL 5441	Effective Writing for Public Policy	1.5
PUBPOL 5750	Causal Analysis and Impact Evaluation in Public Policy	3
Total Hours		35.5

Colloquium

Code	Title	Hours
PUBPOL 5012	Professional Development for Public Affairs ¹	1

¹ Students must take the course twice, once each year of the MPA program.

Politics and Policy

Code	Title	Hours
Select one of the following:		
PUBPOL 5619	Politics, Policy, and Political Management	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3

Microeconomics

Code	Title	Hours
Select one of the following:		
PUBPOL 5080	Economics of the U.S. Social Safety Net	3
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5190	Nonprofits and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5281	The Economics and Regulation of Risky Health Behaviors	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3

PUBPOL 5560	Market Design for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5400	Economics of Consumer Policy	4
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3

Data Analytics in Public Policy ²

Code	Title	Hours
Select one of the following:		
PUBPOL 5155	Data Management and Programming for Policy and Society	3
PUBPOL 5360	Program Evaluation for Community Organizations	4
PUBPOL 5390	Foundations of Machine Learning for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5679	Desktop and Modeling Solutions	3
PUBPOL 5840	Data Visualization for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 6060	Demographic Techniques	3
PUBPOL 6040	Qualitative, Survey, and Mixed Method Approaches to Policy Research	3
PUBPOL 6090	Empirical Strategies for Policy Analysis	3
PUBPOL 6950	Spatial Demography	3

² Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) level courses (6000+) may require instructor permission to enroll.

Tools in Public Affairs Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Select six credits from the following:		
AEM 5241	Finance	3
AEM 5415	Field Research and Pre-Engagement with Social Enterprises in Emerging Markets	1.5
AEM 5420	Emerging Markets	3
AEM 5421	Research and Strategy in Emerging Markets	3
AEM 6050	Agricultural Finance and Development	1.5
AEM 6125	Impact Evaluation in Developing Countries	3
AEM 6600	Natural Resources and Economic Development	3
AEM 6681	Impact Finance	3
CRP 6720	International Institutions	3
ILRHR 5680	Staffing Organizations	3
ILRHR 6620	Organization and Work Design	3
INFO 5240	Designing Technology for Social Impact	3
NBA 5035	Philanthropic Leadership	1.5
NBA 5100	Social Entrepreneurship	1.5
NBA 5180	Design and Innovation	1.5
NBA 5420	Investment and Portfolio Management	3
NBA 5430	Financial Markets and Institutions	3
NBA 5580	Corporate Financial Policy	1.5
NBA 5980	Behavioral Finance	1.5
NBA 6030	Strategies for Sustainability	1.5
NBA 6060	Evaluating Capital Investment Projects	1.5
NBA 6190	Leaders in Sustainable Global Enterprise	1.5
NBA 6390	Data Driven Marketing	1.5
NBA 6430	Managerial Spreadsheet Modeling	1.5
NBA 6470	Advanced Spreadsheet Modeling	1.5
NCC 5060	Managerial Finance	2.5

PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5140	Political Journalism	4
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5360	Program Evaluation for Community Organizations	4
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5418	Strategic Stakeholder Engagement	1.5
PUBPOL 5431	Fundraising, Grantmaking, and Lobbying	1.5
PUBPOL 5451	International Public and NGO Management	3
PUBPOL 5472	Leveraging Information Technology for Public and Nonprofit Management	1.5
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5679	Desktop and Modeling Solutions	3
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships	1-8
PUBPOL 5930	Writing Professional Reports for Public Affairs	1.5
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 6040	Qualitative, Survey, and Mixed Method Approaches to Policy Research	3
PUBPOL 6060	Demographic Techniques	3
PUBPOL 6950	Spatial Demography	3
PUBPOL 5072		

Practical Experience

This requirement can be met via a non-credit bearing milestone experience or one of the following course options. This requirement may overlap with the capstone experience.

Code	Title	Hours
Select one of the following:		
	Summer internship between first and second year	
	Participating in the Brooks School Cornell in Washington DC ConnectProgram	
	Participating in the Capital Semester Program	
	Environmental Finance and Impact Investing (EFII) experience	
	Infrastructure Project Management and Finance (IPMF) experience	
	Participating in the Student Multidisciplinary Applied Research Teams (SMART) Program	
PUBPOL 5360	Program Evaluation for Community Organizations	4
PUBPOL 5480	Sustainability Education Policy in the U.S. and Ecuador	4

Professional Writing Requirement

Complete all courses in one of the options below. This requirement may overlap with practical experience.

Code	Title	Hours
Capstone		
PUBPOL 5910	Master of Public Administration Capstone (Part I)	1.5
PUBPOL 5911	MPA Capstone (Part II)	2
PUBPOL 5912		

Community Impact Analysis in Development Policy

PUBPOL 5790	Community Impact Analysis in Development Policy I	1
PUBPOL 5791	Community Impact Analysis in Development Policy II	2
PUBPOL 5792		

Environmental Finance and Impact Investing

NBA 5979	Environmental Finance & Impact Investing Practicum	0.5-1.5
NBA 6030	Strategies for Sustainability	1.5
NBA 6380	Finance and Sustainable Global Enterprise Colloquium (Must be completed twice)	1

Thesis

PUBPOL 8990	Master's Thesis and Research	3-5
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Professional Writing Report

PUBPOL 5930	Writing Professional Reports for Public Affairs	1.5
PUBPOL 5000	Special Studies	1.5

State Policy and Advocacy Clinic

PUBPOL 5960	State Policy and Advocacy Clinic I	4
PUBPOL 5961	State Policy and Advocacy Clinic II	4

Concentration

Each student selects 1 of the 7 concentration options.

Data Science

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5072		
Electives		6
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5155	Data Management and Programming for Policy and Society	3
PUBPOL 5360	Program Evaluation for Community Organizations	4
PUBPOL 5390	Foundations of Machine Learning for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5679	Desktop and Modeling Solutions	3
PUBPOL 5840	Data Visualization for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships	1-8
PUBPOL 6040	Qualitative, Survey, and Mixed Method Approaches to Policy Research	3
PUBPOL 6060	Demographic Techniques	3
PUBPOL 6090	Empirical Strategies for Policy Analysis	3
PUBPOL 6950	Spatial Demography	3

Economic Policy

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
Electives		6
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5080	Economics of the U.S. Social Safety Net	3
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3

PUBPOL 5190	Nonprofits and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5281	The Economics and Regulation of Risky Health Behaviors	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5370	Economics of Health Care Markets	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3
PUBPOL 5400	Economics of Consumer Policy	4
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5411	Technological Change at Work	3
PUBPOL 5660	Strategic Management and Organizational Design of Health Care Systems	3
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5658	Fixing the Future: Policy Solutions for Development Dilemmas	1.5
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5848	The Fight Against Unemployment: Advocacy and Policy	1.5
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3

Environmental and Sustainability Policy

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5730	Comparative Environmental Policy	3
Electives		6
PUBPOL 5010	Contemporary Security Policy	3
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5135	World Food Systems and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5411	Technological Change at Work	3
PUBPOL 5480	Sustainability Education Policy in the U.S. and Ecuador	4
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5590	Environmental Justice and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5661	Cryptocurrency, Blockchain, and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5717	Energy Transition: Policy, Financial, and Business Interactions	3
PUBPOL 5730	Comparative Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5734	Disasters, Vulnerability, and Resilience	3
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3

PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3

International Policy Management

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5451	International Public and NGO Management	3
Electives		6
PUBPOL 5010	Contemporary Security Policy	3
PUBPOL 5041	U.S. Immigration Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5050	Refugee Pathways and Resettlement Policy	4
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5080	Economics of the U.S. Social Safety Net	3
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5135	World Food Systems and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5151	Gender Inequality and Global Policy	3
PUBPOL 5190	Nonprofits and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5200	International Human Rights Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5230	Comparative Education Policy	3
PUBPOL 5280	Population Health for Health Managers	3
PUBPOL 5281	The Economics and Regulation of Risky Health Behaviors	3
PUBPOL 5330	Children's Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3
PUBPOL 5400	Economics of Consumer Policy	4
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5411	Technological Change at Work	3
PUBPOL 5450	Democracy Promotion in Modern U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PUBPOL 5455	Comparative Public Administration	2
PUBPOL 5480	Sustainability Education Policy in the U.S. and Ecuador	4
PUBPOL 5510	United We Stand - Divided We Fall: The Rise of Polarization and Social Division - and What it Means	4
PUBPOL 5560	Market Design for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5590	Environmental Justice and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5619	Politics, Policy, and Political Management	3
PUBPOL 5658	Fixing the Future: Policy Solutions for Development Dilemmas	1.5
PUBPOL 5661	Cryptocurrency, Blockchain, and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5670	Health Policy	3
PUBPOL 5680	Towards a Policy of Democratic Unity	3

PUBPOL 5717	Energy Transition: Policy, Financial, and Business Interactions	3
PUBPOL 5730	Comparative Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5734	Disasters, Vulnerability, and Resilience	3
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5848	The Fight Against Unemployment: Advocacy and Policy	1.5
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5072		

Public and Nonprofit Management

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
Electives		6
PUBPOL 5010	Contemporary Security Policy	3
PUBPOL 5020	Being Native in the 21st Century: American Indian & Alaska Native Politics, History, and Policy	4
PUBPOL 5041	U.S. Immigration Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5050	Refugee Pathways and Resettlement Policy	4
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5080	Economics of the U.S. Social Safety Net	3
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5135	World Food Systems and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5151	Gender Inequality and Global Policy	3
PUBPOL 5190	Nonprofits and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5200	International Human Rights Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5230	Comparative Education Policy	3
PUBPOL 5270	Constitutional Law: An Introduction	4
PUBPOL 5280	Population Health for Health Managers	3
PUBPOL 5281	The Economics and Regulation of Risky Health Behaviors	3
PUBPOL 5320	Mental Health Care Delivery and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5330	Children's Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5370	Economics of Health Care Markets	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3
PUBPOL 5400	Economics of Consumer Policy	4
PUBPOL 5411	Technological Change at Work	3
PUBPOL 5450	Democracy Promotion in Modern U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PUBPOL 5451	International Public and NGO Management	3
PUBPOL 5455	Comparative Public Administration	2

PUBPOL 5480	Sustainability Education Policy in the U.S. and Ecuador	4
PUBPOL 5510	United We Stand - Divided We Fall: The Rise of Polarization and Social Division - and What it Means	4
PUBPOL 5560	Market Design for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5590	Environmental Justice and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5619	Politics, Policy, and Political Management	3
PUBPOL 5658	Fixing the Future: Policy Solutions for Development Dilemmas	1.5
PUBPOL 5661	Cryptocurrency, Blockchain, and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5670	Health Policy	3
PUBPOL 5680	Towards a Policy of Democratic Unity	3
PUBPOL 5717	Energy Transition: Policy, Financial, and Business Interactions	3
PUBPOL 5730	Comparative Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5734	Disasters, Vulnerability, and Resilience	3
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5848	The Fight Against Unemployment: Advocacy and Policy	1.5
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5072		

Science and Technology Policy

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
Electives		
PUBPOL 5010	Contemporary Security Policy	3
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5658	Fixing the Future: Policy Solutions for Development Dilemmas	1.5
PUBPOL 5661	Cryptocurrency, Blockchain, and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5717	Energy Transition: Policy, Financial, and Business Interactions	3
PUBPOL 5755	Infrastructure Financing	3
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8

PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
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Social Policy: Health, Education, and Inequity

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PUBPOL 5230	Comparative Education Policy	3
Electives		
PUBPOL 5010	Contemporary Security Policy	3
PUBPOL 5020	Being Native in the 21st Century: American Indian & Alaska Native Politics, History, and Policy	4
PUBPOL 5041	U.S. Immigration Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5050	Refugee Pathways and Resettlement Policy	4
PUBPOL 5060	Experiential Learning in Policy Making in Washington, DC	4
PUBPOL 5080	Economics of the U.S. Social Safety Net	3
PUBPOL 5130	Behavioral Economics and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5132	Legal Aspects of Public Agency Decision-Making	3
PUBPOL 5135	World Food Systems and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5151	Gender Inequality and Global Policy	3
PUBPOL 5190	Nonprofits and Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5200	International Human Rights Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5220	Public Finance: Economics of the Public Sector	3
PUBPOL 5230	Comparative Education Policy	3
PUBPOL 5270	Constitutional Law: An Introduction	4
PUBPOL 5280	Population Health for Health Managers	3
PUBPOL 5281	The Economics and Regulation of Risky Health Behaviors	3
PUBPOL 5320	Mental Health Care Delivery and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5330	Children's Law and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5340	Regulation and Infrastructure Policy	3
PUBPOL 5370	Economics of Health Care Markets	3
PUBPOL 5380	Markets, Policy and Sustainability	3
PUBPOL 5400	Economics of Consumer Policy	4
PUBPOL 5410	Nonprofit Management and Finance	3
PUBPOL 5411	Technological Change at Work	3
PUBPOL 5450	Democracy Promotion in Modern U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PUBPOL 5451	International Public and NGO Management	3
PUBPOL 5455	Comparative Public Administration	0.5-3
PUBPOL 5480	Sustainability Education Policy in the U.S. and Ecuador	4
PUBPOL 5510	United We Stand - Divided We Fall: The Rise of Polarization and Social Division - and What it Means	4
PUBPOL 5560	Market Design for Public Policy	3
PUBPOL 5571	Corporate Responsibility	3
PUBPOL 5590	Environmental Justice and Policy	3
PUBPOL 5607	Global Policy Challenges	3
PUBPOL 5612	Intergovernmental Relations	3
PUBPOL 5619	Politics, Policy, and Political Management	3
PUBPOL 5658	Fixing the Future: Policy Solutions for Development Dilemmas	1.5
PUBPOL 5670	Health Policy	3

PUBPOL 5680	Towards a Policy of Democratic Unity	3
PUBPOL 5717	Energy Transition: Policy, Financial, and Business Interactions	3
PUBPOL 5730	Comparative Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5734	Disasters, Vulnerability, and Resilience	3
PUBPOL 5780	Artificial Intelligence and Public Sector Decision Making	3
PUBPOL 5848	The Fight Against Unemployment: Advocacy and Policy	1.5
PUBPOL 5920	Public Affairs Externships (up to 4 credits)	1-8
PUBPOL 5940	Consulting for Nonprofit and Government Organizations	3
PUBPOL 5970	Economics and Environmental Policy	3
PUBPOL 5072		

University Graduation Requirements Requirements for All Students

In order to receive a Cornell degree, a student must satisfy academic and non-academic requirements.

Academic Requirements

A student's college determines degree requirements such as residency, number of credits, distribution of credits, and grade averages. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of the specific major, degree, distribution, college, and graduation requirements for completing their chosen program of study. See the individual requirements listed by each college or school or contact the college registrar's office (<https://registrar.cornell.edu/service-resources/college-registrar-directory/>) for more information.

Non-academic Requirements

Conduct Matters. Students must satisfy any outstanding sanctions, penalties or remedies imposed or agreed to under the Student Code of Conduct (Code) or Policy 6.4. Where a formal complaint under the Code or Policy 6.4 is pending, the University will withhold awarding a degree otherwise earned until the adjudication process set forth in those procedures is complete, including the satisfaction of any sanctions, penalties or remedies imposed.

Financial Obligations. Outstanding financial obligations will not impact the awarding of a degree otherwise earned or a student's ability to access their official transcript. However, the University may withhold issuing a diploma until any outstanding financial obligations owing to the University are satisfied.

Learning Outcomes

- Interpret and explain the theory and use of tools applicable to the development and evaluation of policy.
- Develop the skills required for effective delivery of evidence used for policy formation and evaluation, including written, spoken, and visual presentation.
- Work with others toward the goal of serving the public interest.
- Foster an inclusive learning environment in which diverse approaches and points of view can help guide government actions.
- Evaluate and scrutinize data to inform policy evaluation.