

Public Policy (BA)

By examining the relationships between government, economics, and communities the Public Policy major prepares students to develop informed solutions to public issues. Graduates will be able to identify policy problems and opportunities, learn how and when to address them within particular social and political contexts, and use analytical, qualitative and quantitative skills to create and evaluate policy solutions. Graduates will be prepared to pursue further study and/or careers in law, public policy, public administration, the social sciences, education, business, and the nonprofit sector.

Department: [Public Policy](#)

Type: Major

Policy Background Requirements

Item #	Title	Credits
POLS 100	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT & POLITICS (S)	3
POLS 200	STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (CS)	3
POLS 260	PUBLIC POLICY (R)	3
ECON 101	PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS (SQ)	3
ECON 102	PRIN INTERN'L & MACROECONOMICS (I)	3
ECON 303	INTERMEDIATE MICROECONOMIC THEORY	3
SOC 100	GENERAL SOCIOLOGY (S)	3
ANTH 120	CULTURE AND PERSPECTIVE (SI)	3
CJ 266	RACE & JUSTICE	3

Research Methods Course Requirements

Item #	Title	Credits
ECON 301	DATA VISUALIZAT & REGRESSN IN R (Q)	3
SOC 320	RESEARCH METHODS (R)	3

Senior Requirement

Select one of the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
PPS 4XX (TBD)	INTERNSHIP IN A POLICY RELATED AREA	3
PPS 4X1 (TBD)	APPLIED POLICY CAPSTONE	3

Elective Courses

Complete at least 15 credit hours from the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
POLS 209	WOMEN AND POLITICS (G)	3
POLS 309	SUPREME COURT POLICYMAKING (S)	3
POLS 321	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I:STRUCTURE/POWR	3
POLS 322	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II:CIVIL RIGHTS	3
POLS 400	SEMINAR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (M)	3
ECON 310	LABOR ECONOMICS & PUBLIC POLICY (IR)	3
ECON 232	GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT & TRADE (I)	3
SOC 212	SOCIAL PROBLEMS (S)	3
	SOC 260 or ANTH 208	3
SOC 245	URBAN SOCIOLOGY	3
CJ 222	ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (T)	3
CJ 305	FEDERAL INDIAN LAW AND NATIVE COMMUNITIES	3
BUAD 307	BUSINESS & SOCIETY (R)	3
	HCA 245 or POLS 245	3
	Total credits:	51