

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (PUB-ADM)

RESTRICTIONS

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Courses

PUB-ADM 410 Public Service Data Analytics Credits: 3

This course focuses on research methods, data analysis, and statistics in relation to public, nonprofit, and health administration issues and concerns. One of the core functions of an executive is the ability to thoughtfully analyze information and make informed decisions. In this course, students will develop research and data analysis skills and the ability to critically evaluate statistics to make empirically-informed decisions in the workplace. Students will become familiar with research design, data management, descriptive and inferential statistics, and statistical modeling. Through an empirical project, students will learn how to conduct research and use quantitative information in decision making.

Prerequisites: Departmental consent.

PUB-ADM 420 Urban Environmental Policy Credits: 3

Our cities are a first line of action in our efforts to sustain our environment. Many have begun to examine and address the connection between city problems and environmental and climate change, and the disproportionate impacts that they often have on the disadvantaged, yet these initiatives address only the surface of the issue. It is essential for scientists, public administrators, environmentalists, and policy thinkers to pay greater attention to the environmental challenges of our cities. Students examine and assess the challenge of understanding, developing and implementing coherent environmental policy to address such challenges in urban communities.

PUB-ADM 448 Leadership, Change and Social Impact Credits: 3

The two core purposes of this course are for students to learn about effective and ethical leadership, and for students to understand and develop their own capacity for leadership. The course is organized around three general themes: 1) leadership as relations with subordinates, including issues of work motivation; 2) leadership as lateral relations, including organizational politics and conflict management and resolution; and 3) leadership as influence in the organization's environment.

Prerequisites: Departmental consent.

PUB-ADM 487 Special Topics Credits: 3

Special topics in public administration.

PUB-ADM 492 Creating and Measuring Social Impact Credits: 3

Students learn alternative approaches for conceptualizing and understanding the performance, effectiveness, and impact of nonprofit organizations and the programs they operate, and employ the basic frameworks and processes by which social impact can be measured and evaluated. This includes the use of logic models and theories of change to inform the design, operation, and evaluation of programs, with specific attention to data-based analytic approaches to impact assessment.

Prerequisites: Junior or senior standing.

PUB-ADM 493 Nonprofit Fundraising and Development Credits: 3

Examines the processes and functions by which nonprofit organizations plan, organize, implement and evaluate the work of fundraising and development to secure the financial resources needed to support and sustain their programs and activities. Students gain an understanding of and practical experience in employing the basic approaches and techniques used by nonprofits to raise and deploy philanthropic resources, including annual and multi-year giving programs, major gift solicitation, planned giving initiatives, capital campaigns, and prospect research and proposal writing.

Prerequisites: Junior or senior standing.

PUB-ADM 494 Leading and Managing Nonprofit Organizations Credits: 3

Examines the processes by which nonprofit charitable organizations and associations are governed, led, and managed, with particular attention to the work of the board, executives, and managers. Students learn a strategic framework by which to sustain and enhance the performance and impact of these nonprofit organizations. Among topics of special importance are the dimensions of governance, strategy and planning that are unique to nonprofit public service organizations, including stages of organization development, the planning and business model development associated with the financial management, human resource management, board leadership, ethical decision making, and organizational effectiveness and accountability.

Prerequisites: Junior or senior standing.

PUB-ADM 495 Nonprofit Organizations in Context Credits: 3

Student in this course will investigate nonprofit organizations, an under-examined sector of our society. We will analyze the theoretical reasons for the existence of this sector, its empirical trends, and the significant challenges that nonprofits face.

PUB-ADM 496 Internship: Public Administration Credits: 1-3

An opportunity for students to integrate their academic studies via employment with a business/organization in the community. Internship coursework is evaluated on a credit/no credit basis.

Prerequisites: Departmental Consent

PUB-ADM 497 Special Topics In Public Administration Credits: 1-3

Study and research in areas of special interest under individual faculty direction.

Prerequisites: Departmental consent.