PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, BA/MA ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Undergraduate Opportunities: Joint BA/MPA Programs

Roosevelt undergraduate students concerned about the time and cost of obtaining a graduate degree can reduce both by participating in a joint program. These programs allow undergraduate students to start on their MPA degrees by taking graduate level courses during the completion of their undergraduate degrees.

- Accelerated Political Science BA/MPA in the College of Arts and Sciences

Political Science majors in the College of Arts and Sciences can participate in this accelerated program leading to a BA in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration degree. The program allows students to take three graduate-level courses as part of their undergraduate degrees.

Once students are admitted to the MPA, the courses will apply toward completion of the MPA degree. Students must be accepted into the joint program and obtain permission from the program director of Public Administration before enrolling in the cross-listed courses.

Students must apply after completion of 60 credit hours of coursework, maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and write an essay for the Public Administration program. At the conclusion of the Political Science degree, students are required to formally apply to the Public Administration program.

The three graduate courses in the joint BA/MPA program are: PADM 400 PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES, PADM 401 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR PUBLIC SECTOR, and PADM 405 PUBLIC BUDGET & FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.

- Transitions Program in the Heller College of Business

Organizational Leadership (OLED) majors in the Heller College of Business who are planning to immediately continue on to graduate school in the Masters of Public Administration program at Roosevelt can participate in a Transitions Program that will accelerate completion of the MPA.

The program allows these students to take three graduate-level courses as part of their undergraduate degree program. Once admitted to the MPA, the courses will apply toward completion of the MPA degree. Students must be accepted into the Transitions program and obtain permission from the program director of Public Administration before enrolling in the cross-listed courses.

Students must apply to the Transitions program for the MPA after their third OLED course, maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and write an essay for the Public Administration program. At the conclusion of the Organizational Leadership Degree students are required to formally apply to the Public Administration program. The three graduate courses in the OLED/MPA Transition Program are: PADM 400 PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES, PADM 401 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR PUBLIC SECTOR, and PADM 419 STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.