

POLITICAL SCIENCE BA/MPA ACCELERATED PROGRAM

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.

Admission

Students must apply after completion of 60 credit hours of course work, 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.