

MPA Course Sequence & Planning

St. Paul Campus

For students taking the traditional model of courses on the St. Paul campus, the faculty of the Department of Public Administration recommends the following sequence for your core courses:

- 1) Foundations (required as your first course)
- 2) Organizational Theory and Behavior
- 3) Professional Ethics
- 4) Research Methods
- 5) Public Policy Analysis
- 6) Administrative Law
- 7) Public Fiscal Management (Econ prerequisite)
- 8) Human Resources Management
- 9) Capstone (Must be taken as your last course)

While this sequence is not required (except for Foundations as the first course and Capstone as last) it is highly recommended to enhance your learning experience.

The following proposed schedule of course is provided to assist you as you look forward to map out your course work. This schedule is tentative and subject to change, especially around electives and summer courses but should give you a good guide to course offerings over the next two years.

		Term							
		Summer 2009	Fall 2009	Winter 2010	Spring 2010	Summer 2010	Fall 2010	Winter 2010	Spring 2011
Core Courses	GPA 8000: Foundations		X		X		X		X
	GPA 8010: Professional Ethics	X	X		X		X		X
	GPA 8020: Org Theory		X		X	X	X		X
	GPA 8030: Public Fiscal Management	X			X		X		
	GPA 8040: Public Policy				X		X		
	GPA 8050: Human Resource Mgmt		X			X			X
	GPA 8061: Administrative Law		X			X			X
	GPA 8070: Research Methods		X		X		X		X
	GPA 8490: Capstone		X		X		X		X
Electives	GPA 8062: Law for Nonprofits		X						
	GPA 8130: Housing & Economic Development	X							
	GPA 8221: Public Negotiation			X					
	GPA 8222: Public Mediation	X				X			
	GPA 8223: Contemporary Social Policy		X						
	GPA 8225: Critical Issues in PA		X						
	GPA 8228: Public Arbitration							X	
	GPA 8230: Municipal County Administration						X		
	GPA 8270: Social Identities& Conflict				X				
	GPA 8440: Social Demographics					X			
	GPA 8498: Certificate in Economic Development							X	
	GPA 8498: Certificate in HR Mgmt			X					
	GPA 8498: Certificate in Public Affairs Mgmt			X					
	GPA 8498: Topics: Comparative Public Admin.	X							
	GPA 8498: Topics: Local Gov. Planning		X						
	GPA 8498: Topics: Social Policy Administration						X		
	GPA 8498: Topics: Sustainability				X				
GPA 8498: Topics: Civic Engagement				X					
	GPA 8498 Topics: MN State & Local Gvt & Politics						X		