

**FULL-TIME FALL/SPRING MPA & PUBLIC POLICY GRAD. CERTIFICATE STUDENT**

See also MPA Online Handbook:

<http://www.tnstate.edu/cpsua/degrees/mpa.aspx#handbookmpa>

<b>FALL</b>			<b>Cr.</b>
PADM	6210	Seminar in Public Administration	3
PADM	6130	Research Methods in Public Administration	3
PADM	6390	<i>Ethics in the Public Service</i>	3
<b>SPRING</b>			
PADM	6110	Statistics for Public Administrators	3
PADM	6450	<i>Decision Tools &amp; Project Planning</i>	3
PADM	6410	Public Policy Analysis	3
<b>SUMMER</b>			
PADM	6430	<i>Contemporary Topics in Public Policy</i>	3
PADM	6500	MPA Internship*	6

<b>FALL</b>			
PADM	6490	Politics of Administration	3
PADM	6240	Public Personnel Management	3
PRST	5310	Leadership in Organizations (sub for PADM 6310)	3
<b>SPRING</b>			
PADM	6150	Information Technology in Public Administration	3
PADM	6230	Public Budgeting and Finance	3
Comprehensive Exam and Writing Portfolio			

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The MPA elective slots taken up by Public Policy Certificate courses are shown in yellow. There is no choice involved, these three courses must be taken.

This potential degree map assumes the student attends full-time in most semesters (3 graduate courses per regular semester). This schedule can be accelerated somewhat if the student elects to take summer courses, but the student should be aware that course offerings are contingent on enrollment and staffing, particularly in summer. Advising should be sought.

\*Students with approved professional experience may apply for exemption of the internship - see the MPA handbook and graduate catalog. Such students' credit requirement will therefore be 36 credits. Students who believe they may be eligible for the internship exemption must discuss this with their advisor early in their studies. The internship could also be done in the first summer in consultation with the advisor (assuming the student has taken enough courses by then). A student who is judged to be exempt from the internship requirement could take comps and submit portfolio in Spring and thus be done by Spring of the second year.