Public Administration (PADM)

Courses

PADM 5803. Quantitative Methods Analysis. 3 Hours.  
Data analysis techniques, including descriptive and inferential statistics and packaged computer programs. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

PADM 5813. Methods in Public Management Information. 3 Hours.  
Nature and use of public information systems. Includes: basic understanding of hardware, applications, network, and communication technologies, data and information; their use for data analysis and management, and decision support; discussion of technologies' societal impact, and security and ethical considerations. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

PADM 5823. Grant Writing for the Social Sciences. 3 Hours.  
This course will teach students the fundamentals of obtaining grants from local, state and federal agencies.

PADM 5833. Urban Planning. 3 Hours.  
Reviews the many forms, functions, and purposes of American cities. Covers basic planning theories, surveys the various sub-fields of planning, discusses trends in the planning field, and utilizes computer simulations. This course is cross-listed with PLSC 4103.

PADM 584V. Special Topics in Public Administration. 1-3 Hour.  
Topic varies. Prerequisite: PLSC 5193. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

PADM 5853. Performance Measurement in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors. 3 Hours.  
Provides a hands-on approach for measuring organizational performance and using performance information of decision making. Addresses components and key issues of performance measurement, such as steps in the measurement process, methods of data gathering, and analysis. Prerequisite: PLSC 5193.

PADM 5863. Issues in Public and Nonprofit Management. 3 Hours.  
Explores current developments and themes in the theory and practice of public and nonprofit management. Covers a range of contemporary issues in the field, such as managing collaborative networks, e-government, and managing for results. Emerging trends are intensively discussed at the juncture of theory and practice.

PADM 587V. Professional Development. 1-6 Hour.  
Encompasses internships, professional projects if individual is employed full-time and not eligible for an internship, conference and workshop participation, and other activities conducive to the students development as a public service professional.

PADM 588V. Directed Readings. 1-3 Hour.  
Directed readings. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

PADM 589V. Independent Research. 1-3 Hour.  
Independent Research. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

PADM 5903. Risk and Public Policy. 3 Hours.  
Examines how concepts of risk serve to justify and shape public policies and risk management practices.

PADM 5913. Policy Analysis: Theory and Practice. 3 Hours.  
Provides a firm theoretical foundation in, and an ability to apply, the general instruments necessary for professional practice of policy analysis.