

School of Public Policy

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Master of Public Policy and Administration (MPPA) Requirements

Name _____ Student ID # _____ Email _____

Faculty Advisor _____ Year Entered _____

CORE COURSES (FIRST YEAR)

	Credits	Term/ Year
SPP 601 Politics & the Policy Process OR		
- SPP 611 Comparative Public Policy		
SPP 605 Economics and Public Policy		
SPP 607 Policy Methods		
SPP 603 Policy Analysis		
SPP 608 Introduction to Statistical Analysis (with lab)		
SPP 614 Professional Development Seminar		

CORE COURSES (SECOND YEAR)

	Credits	Term/ Year
SPP 602 Public Management		
SPP 610 Capstone		

TOTAL CORE CREDITS:

*Any course that has been waived must have an approved Core Course Waiver Form (available at www.umass.edu/spp/)

SPP ELECTIVES (MUST TAKE A MINIMUM OF ONE FROM EACH CATEGORY)

All SPP elective offerings fit within one of the categories below, as indicated on the SPP course schedule. However, elective offerings change frequently and there may be additional courses available in any given year, so check the current SPP course listing.

I. POLICY

SPP 611 Comparative Public Policy
SPP 622 Ethics and Public Policy
SPP 634 Globalization
SPP 650 U.S. Education Policy
SPP 651 Social Inequalities and Public Policy
SPP 697EV Environmental Policy
SPP 597 GP Internet Governance and Information Policy
Other:

Credits

Term/ Year

II. MANAGEMENT

SPP 697NL Nonprofit Law and Management
SPP 697 Social and Environmental Enterprises
SPP 641 Information Technology and Public Policy
SPP 697CP Communication Campaigns & Public Advocacy
SPP 697J Organizational Theory and Design
SPP 697X Budgeting and Financial Management
Other:

Credits

Term/ Year

III. METHODS

SPP 604 Policy and Program Evaluation
SPP 611 Advanced Qualitative Methods
SPP 697B Introduction to Geographic Info Systems (GIS)
SPP 636 Qualitative Research Methods
Other:

Credits

Term/ Year

Other Electives (to bring total credits to 48)

Course Number and Title:

Credits

Term/Year

TOTAL ELECTIVE CREDITS: _____

TOTAL MPPA CREDITS, CORE PLUS ELECTIVES (MINIMUM 48) : _____