Reinstating PSCI 5301 to replace the new courses PSCI 5321 and PSCI 5322. The new curriculum reflects these changes.
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The Master of Public Administration Degree (MPA) is open to all students who hold any baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution and meet the requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences for graduate admission. The MPA consists of 42 hours of graduate credit. Students will take 30 of these hours in 10 “core classes” in the Department of Social Sciences and 9 “elective courses,” which may include courses offered by other colleges in the university. Students pursuing the Master of Public Administration as an additional master’s degree may obtain the degree upon successful completion of the major curriculum and substituting hours attained in the first masters program for nine hours of electives. An MPA degree with a Health Administration Track is also offered and consists of thirty hours of the core curriculum, six hours of internship and 12 hours of Health Administration electives. Students are required to begin the program with the foundational courses (PADM 5375 & PSCI 5301) which should be followed by the theory courses (PADM 5342 and PADM 5362). These courses will provide the foundational knowledge, logic, and tools for gaining sound understanding of and appreciation for public administration. Core courses taken in the proper sequence will help students prepare for the comprehensive exam and derive most benefit from the program. Core courses have to be successfully completed before the comprehensive exam. Core courses cannot be substituted.

**MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)**

**MAJOR CURRICULUM**

**33 SCH**

**Required courses:**

- PADM 5332  
  **Program Evaluation**¹
- PADM 5334  
  **Administrative Law**¹
- PADM 5342  
  **Organization Theory**²
- PADM 5344  
  **Communication for Public Administrators**
- PADM 5362  
  **Administrative Ethics**¹/²
- PADM 5375  
  **Survey of Public Administration and Public Affairs**
- PADM 5378  
  **Human Resources Management in Public Administration**¹/²
- PADM 5380  
  **Principles and Politics of Public Budgeting**²¹
- PADM 5382  
  **Public Policy Development and Implementation**¹
- PSCI 5301  
  **Advanced Methods of Social Research**³

**One course chosen from:** PADM 5395  

- **Project**¹/⁵
- PADM 5396
ELECTIVES
9 SCH
Choose any nine hours of 5000-level course

TOTAL 42 SCH

1 Refer to course description for information on prerequisites. 2 May be taken concurrently with PADM 5375. 3 May substitute with SOCI 5302 or CRIJ 5320. 4 To be taken by those with two or more years experience in the public sector. 5 To be taken by those with less than two years of experience in the public sector.