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MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)

MAJOR CURRICULUM

33 SCH

Required courses:

PADM 5375 - Survey of Public Administration and Public Affairs¹

PSCI PADM 5301 - Advanced Methods of Social Research²

PADM 5332 - Program Evaluation

PADM 5334 - Administrative Law

PADM 5342 - Organization Theory

PADM 5344 - Communication for Public Administrators

PADM 5362 - Administrative Ethics

PADM 5378 - Human Resources Management in Public Administration

PADM 5380 - Principles and Politics of Public Budgeting

PADM 5382 - Public Policy Development and Implementation

PADM 5395 - Project³ or

PADM 5396 - Internship⁴

ELECTIVES

9 SCH

Nine hours appropriate electives to be selected with advisor's approval

TOTAL 42 SCH

PADM 5301 Advanced Methods of Social Research

Three semester hours.

This course introduces the student to the essentials of conducting social science research. Students will be introduced to the different dimensions of social research: ethics, theory, hypothesis testing, research design, sampling, measurement, and quantitative data analysis. Students will also become familiar with using SPSS, a common statistical software package. By the end of the course students will possess the foundation to begin applying this knowledge to real world applications- in academia, government, non-profit, or private industry. Prerequisite: PSCI 3301, CRIJ 3305, SOCI 3305, or similar undergraduate coursework in social scientific research methods, or permission of instructor. (Cross-listed with ~~CRIJ 5320~~ and PSCI 5301)

Justification: This is not a new course; we are adding a PADM prefix for student convenience. Now that the MPA program is entirely online, the change to a PADM prefix will reduce confusion among our students when searching for PADM course offerings each semester via UConnect. Many students do not realize when looking at the required courses that this class has a PSCI identifier. It is important that they can locate this class easily as it is one of two classes that students are required to take during their first Fall semester in the program.

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This is an addition of PADM.

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Cc: San Miguel, Claudia E

Subject: Re: UCC 176 - Clarification

Mary,

Here are the learning outcomes for PADM 5301

Learning Outcomes

1. Students will be able to identify and describe the steps involved in conducting social science research.
2. Students will demonstrate an understanding of contemporary methodological and ethical issues in social science research.
3. Students will be able to evaluate and critique the advantages and disadvantages of various research designs.
4. Students will apply the concepts of social science research to basic and applied research.

Lynne