The Graduate Certificate of Public Management and Policy

The Political Science Department offers a Graduate Certificate of Public Management and Policy (GCPMP). The GCPMP is a 15-credit program that requires completion of at least 9 credits from a set of core courses. An additional 6 credits may be earned in other approved courses. GCPMP students are not required to designate a major professor and a POS committee, because the Director of Graduate Education will approve course selection for each student.

The admissions standards for the GCPMP are the same as for the MA program except that GCPMP students are not required to take the GRE if they have 5 or more years of work experience. Students who complete the CPM and apply for admission to the MA program may count credits earned for the certificate toward the MA degree. Students interested in the certificate program apply through the regular graduate admissions process.

CPM Graduation Checklist

I. Core (Choose 9 Credits)

_____ Pol S 507 Public Policy Proseminar
_____ Pol S 571 Organizational Theory in the Public Sector
_____ Pol S 574 Policy and Program Evaluation
_____ Pol S 575 Management in the Public Sector
_____ Pol S 508 Policy Implementation
_____ Pol S 580 Ethics and Public Policy

I. Additional Courses (Choose 6 Credits)

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These courses can be additional courses from the core list or other classes related to public management or policy that are approved by the Director of Graduate Education.

III. Other Requirements

_____ Submit POS to Director of Graduate Education for approval