

# Doctor of Public Administration Degree Requirements:

## This 48-credit program requires:

### Core Courses (21 credits)

- Foundations of Public Administration (PUAD 810)
- Strategic Management in the Public Sector (PUAD 811)
- Seminar in Doctoral Research (PUAD 813)
- Seminar in Policy Making and Implementation (PUAD 814)
- Public-Sector Financial Analysis (PUAD 815)
- Seminar in Program and Policy Evaluation (PUAD 817)
- Doctoral Seminar in Organizational Theory (PUAD 824)

### Advanced Methodology Courses (6 credits)

- Case Study and Qualitative Methods (PUAD 831)
  - Quantitative Methods (PUAD 832)
- (You can replace this course with another course upon approval of the program director.)*

### D.P.A. Specializations (9 credits)

Choose three courses in one of the following specialization fields, or create your own specialization with the approval of the program director:

#### **Program Administration**

- Public Administration and Public Finance (PUAD 701)
- State and Local Personnel Management (PUAD 730)
- Leadership and Organizational Change (PUAD 732)
- Administrative Law and Regulation (PUAD 740)
- Political Economy of Nonprofit Organizations (PUAD 777)
- Public-Sector Performance Measurement (PUAD 785)
- Advanced Public-Sector Management and Decision Techniques (PUAD 816)
- Doctoral Seminar in Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations (PUAD 875)

#### **Program Evaluation**

Complete the following required courses:

- Advanced Seminar in Evaluation: Theories and Techniques (PUAD 834)
- Practicum in Program Evaluation (PUAD 835)

Choose another course from among the following:

- Public-Sector Performance Measurement (PUAD 785)
- Advanced Public-Sector Management and Decision Techniques (PUAD 816)
- Survey Research (PUAD 830)
- Economics, Public Policy and Corporate Social Responsibility (ECON 640)

#### **Health-Care Systems Administration**

You must first complete the following required course, unless you have completed relevant coursework and/or have relevant professional experience.

- Health-Care Systems, Organization and Management (PUAD 750)

Then complete the following three required courses:

- Health Insurance and Prepaid Health Care (HSMG 697)
- Health Finance (HSMG 699)
- Policy Issues in Health Care (PUAD 751)

**Administration of Justice**

- Contemporary Corrections (CRJU 611)
- Managing Police Organizations (CRJU 640)
- Managing Correctional Organizations (CRJU 642)
- Seminar in Criminal Justice (CRJU 703)
- Criminal Justice Planning/Systems Applications (CRJU 711)
- Seminar in Judicial Administration (CRJU 713)

**Dissertation Research (12 credits)**

Before enrolling in this course, you must complete all 36 credits of coursework listed above.

To fulfill the requirements of this course, you will prepare and successfully defend before a dissertation committee a research proposal that includes a well-defined research design. You will then prepare and successfully defend your dissertation before the committee.

- Dissertation Research, 3-12 credits (PUAD 899)