

POLITICAL SCIENCE, BA/MPA PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Political Science BA/ MPA program allows undergraduate students to start earning credits toward their Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree by taking graduate level courses during the completion of their undergraduate Political Science BA.

Offered in Chicago and online, this accelerated program allows Roosevelt undergraduate students concerned about the time and cost of obtaining a graduate degree to reduce both by participating in a joint program. The program allows students to take three graduate-level courses as part of their undergraduate degrees. Once students are admitted to the MPA, the courses will also apply toward completion of the MPA degree.

In addition to saving time and money, the joint Political Science BA/ MPA makes the graduate an attractive potential employee. This joint degree provides the student knowledge and skills in both a specific occupational area and public sector management processes. Government organizations and nonprofit organizations are major employers of Political Science majors and MPA graduates.

- Major in Political Science (<https://catalog.roosevelt.edu/undergraduate/humanities-education-social-sciences/political-science-ba/>)
- Completion of 60 credit hours of undergraduate course work
- Graduate courses taken during the last two semesters of undergraduate degree
- Have and maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0
- Obtain permission from the MPA director to take the required MPA courses
- Upon completion of the Political Science BA, apply to the MPA program under the normal admission process (<https://www.roosevelt.edu/academics/programs/masters-in-public-administration-mpa/>).

The student will take the following three MPA graduate courses as part of the Political Science BA. All of the courses will receive credit toward the Master's in Public Administration degree once the student is admitted to the MPA program.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PADM 400	PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES	3
PADM 401	MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR PUBLIC SECTOR	3
PADM 405	PUBLIC BUDGET & FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	3

Your degree map is a general guide suggesting courses to complete each term on the academic pathway to your degree. It is based on the most current scheduling information from your academic program. Your program's degree map is reviewed annually and updated as schedules change (although you retain the same course requirements as long as you are continuously enrolled in your degree program).

Always work closely with your academic advisor to understand curriculum requirements and scheduling, as each student's academic plan can look slightly different.

Year 1

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
FYS 101	1	ENG 102	3
ENG 101	3	Ideas of Social Justice	3
POS 101, 102, 103, or 104	3	POS 101, 102, 103, or 104	3
MATH 110	3	Humanities #1	3
BIOL 111 or 112 ⁵	3	Physical Science ⁵	3
13		15	

Year 2

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
POS 101, 102, 103, or 104	3	POS 2XX ²	3
COMM 101	3	Experiential Learning Class #1 ⁴	3
Humanities #2	3	Social Science #3	3
Social Science #1	3	Humanities #3	3
Social Science #2	3	General Electives ¹	3
15		15	

Year 3

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
POS Any Level	3	POS 3XX ³	3
Experiential Course #2 ⁴	3	POS 3XX ³	3
General Elective ¹	3	General Elective ¹	3
General Elective ¹	3	General Elective ¹	3
General Elective ¹	3	General Elective ¹	3
General Elective ¹	1		
16		15	

Year 4

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
POS 3XX ³	3	POS 3XX ³	3
POS 3XX ³	3	POS Any Level	3

PADM 400	3 PADM 401	3	
PADM 405	3 General Elective ¹	3	
General Elective ¹	3 General Elective ¹	3	
15		15	
Year 5			
Fall	Credit Spring Hours	Credit Summer Hours	Credit Hours
PADM 420	3 PADM 497	3 PADM 419	3
PADM 475	3 PADM 407	3 Concentration Course 3	3
PADM 402	3 PADM 404	3 Concentration Course 4	3
9		9	9

Total Credit Hours 146

¹ Or course toward optional Minor

² Any course at the 200 level in the discipline

³ Any course at the 300 level in the discipline

⁴ Experiential Learning class must be 200/300 level. Satisfies CORE Experiential Learning requirement. EXL courses can satisfy major requirements/electives or CORE requirement.

⁵ One Natural Science course must have a lab