

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 and an additional 6 credits in other approved courses. GCPMP students are not required to designate a major professor and establish a graduate committee, because the Director of Graduate Education will approve course selections for each student.

The admissions standards for the GCPMP are the same as for the Master of Arts in Political Science program. Students who complete the GCPMP and apply for admission to the M.A. program may count credits earned for the certificate toward the M.A. degree. Students interested in the certificate program apply through the regular graduate admissions process.

GCPMP Graduation Checklist

I. Core (Choose 9 Credits)

- _____ POLS 5070 Proseminar in Public Policy
- _____ POLS 5080 Policy Implementation
- _____ POLS 5710 Organizational Theory in the Public Sector
- _____ POLS 5740 Policy and Program Evaluation
- _____ POLS 5750 Management in the Public Sector
- _____ POLS 5800 Ethics and Public Policy

II. Additional Courses (Choose 6 Credits)

Course Number	Credits	Course Title

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.

Students may take one POLS 4XXX course that is not dual-listed as POLS 5XXX, and one course outside of Political Science, with approval from the Director of Graduate Education.

III. Other Requirements

_____ **Submit Academic Plan in Workday using your ISU account (see https://iastate.service-now.com/esc?id=kb_article&sysparm_article=KB0023078 for instructions)**