

# MASTER OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS - Urban Sustainability

## 48 credit hours

The MPA is a course of study that requires the completion of (1) the MPA core, (2) the concentration requirement, (3) the experiential requirement, and (4) sufficient electives and/or mid-career option credit to total **48 credit hours**. All students must maintain a **3.0 cumulative GPA to be in good standing and graduate**.

**EXPERIENTIAL COMPONENT:** In order to be awarded the M.P.A. degree, students must obtain professionally relevant experience through an internship in **SPEA-V 585**. This requirement is automatically satisfied if a student is granted **Mid-Career Option** credit.

### MPA Core (21 Credit Hours)

Dept	Course	Title	Credit
<b>Required of all students:</b>			
SPEA-V	<b>506</b>	Statistical Analysis for Effective Decision Making	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>517</b>	Public Management Economics	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>540</b>	Law and Public Affairs	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>598</b>	Governing and Leading in a Global Society	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>600</b>	Capstone in Public and Environmental Affairs **	3.0
<b>Choose ONE management course</b>			
SPEA-V	<b>502</b>	Public Management <b>OR</b>	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>525</b>	Management in the Nonprofit Sector	3.0
<b>Choose One financial management course</b>			
SPEA-V	<b>560</b>	Public Finance and Budgeting <b>OR</b>	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>526</b>	Financial Management for Nonprofit Organizations	3.0

**\*\*NOTE: V600 cannot be taken until all MPA core courses are completed. V600 is only offered as an in-person class and cannot be substituted or transferred in from another university. Plan your schedule accordingly!**

### Internship and Electives (9 Credit Hours)

SPEA-V	<b>585</b>	Internship or Mid Career Option Credit	3.0
	Elective #1		3.0
	Elective #2		3.0

### Urban Sustainability Concentration (18 CREDIT HOURS)

Dept	Course	Title	Credit
<b>Required Course: (9 credit hours)</b>			
SPEA-V	<b>527</b>	Urban Sustainability	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>565</b>	Environmental Conflict Resolution: Theory and Practice	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>645</b>	Environmental Law	3.0
<b>TWO of the following: (6 credit hours)</b>			
SPEA-E	<b>511</b>	Sustainability Assessment	3.0
SPEA-E	<b>529</b>	Application of Geographic Information Systems	3.0
SPEA-E	<b>560</b>	Environmental Risk Analysis	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>541</b>	Benefit-Cost Analysis of Public and Environmental Policies	3.0
<b>ONE of the following: (3 credit hours)</b>			
SPEA-E	<b>535</b>	International Environmental Policy	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>512</b>	Public Policy Process	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>520</b>	Environmental Policy Analysis	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>528</b>	Energy Policy	3.0
SPEA-V	<b>643</b>	Natural Resource Management and Policy	3.0

PLUS A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL COURSES TO MEET THE MINIMUM DEGREE REQUIREMENT OF 48 CREDIT HOURS WITH A 3.0 CUMULATIVE GRADE AVERAGE.

**\*\*Please note that the course rotation is subject to change. This listing is for planning purposes only. Please check with SPEA Graduate Student Services to ensure you are meeting degree requirements.**

**Fall Core Classes**

V 506  
V 517  
V 540  
V 598  
V 600  
V 560

**Fall Concentration Classes**

V 550 Urban Sustainability  
V 541

**Spring Core Classes**

V 506  
V 517  
V540  
V 600  
V 502  
V 560  
V 525  
V 526

**Spring Concentration Classes**

V 565 Environmental Conflict Resolution

**Summer Core Classes**

V 540  
V 598

**Summer Concentration Classes**

V 645 Environmental Law