

PUBLIC POLICY, BACHELOR'S-TO-MASTER'S ACCELERATED PATHWAY (BMAP)

W&M undergraduate students are able to earn both a bachelor's degree and a Master of Public Policy in five years. Candidates interested in this accelerated degree path must apply to and gain acceptance to the Public Policy Program in their junior year. Acceptance into the accelerated degree path includes the intention that the graduate committee will recommend regular admission to the graduate program when the baccalaureate degree has been conferred.

With advance written permission from the program's graduate committee, up to eighteen graduate credits with a grade of B- or higher taken by students in the B.A./B.S./M.P.P. accelerated degree path may be used to satisfy both graduate and undergraduate degree requirements. Students in the accelerated degree path will take additional graduate public policy classes during their fourth year; these classes will count exclusively toward the M.P.P. degree requirements.

Students may also earn up to 9 graduate credits through demonstrating competency in the following first-year M.P.P. classes: PUBP 602, PUBP 603, and PUBP 604. Competency will be demonstrated by passing the final exam of these courses with a grade of B or higher. Students who successfully demonstrate competency in these courses will receive course credit and a grade of P.

The Master of Public Policy degree program is a two-year, full-time, residential program requiring forty-six hours of course credit.

The following courses are required:

Code	Title	Hours
PUBP 500	Math Public Policy Analysis	1
PUBP 590	Policy in Practice	1
PUBP 602	Quantitative Methods I	3
PUBP 603	Quantitative Methods II	3
PUBP 604	Microeconomics Public Policy	3
PUBP 607	Law & Public Policy	3
PUBP 609	Applied Ethics	3
PUBP 610	Policy Research Seminar	4
PUBP 611	Evidence in Policy Process	3
PUBP 612	Leading Change	3
PUBP 618	Policy Case Competition	2

Additional Requirements

Students in the M.P.P. degree program are required to take at least one 3-credit or two 2-credit, program-approved, School of Law course(s), and an additional 3 credits of Applied Methods courses.