GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN
BUDGET AND PUBLIC FINANCE

The certificate in budgeting and public finance provides
course work in the theoretical and practical foundations of
public budgeting and in the formulation and evaluation of
public budgets, as well as the complex choices of economic
reasoning in response to resource allocation in the process of
formulating and implementing public budgets. The courses
in the certificate provide a background in budget policy and
process, characteristics of public revenue and expenditure,
and governmental accounting and financial reporting. This
certificate is particularly well suited for those who are, or
envision becoming, budget analysts or financial management
officers in public agencies at any level of government.

Visit the program website (https://tsppa.gwu.edu/certificate-
budget-public-finance/) for additional information.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions Fall – July 1
Deadlines:

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Recommendation required:

Prior academic records:

Transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended, whether or not credit
was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another
transcript. Unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended must be uploaded
to your online application. Official transcripts are required only of applicants who are offered
admission.

If transcripts are in a language other than English, English language translations must be provided.
The English translation alone should be uploaded into your application.

Statement of purpose:

A 2-3 page statement of interests and personal
goals.

International applicants only:

Please follow this link - https://columbian.gwu.edu/international-graduate-applicants - to review
the International Applicant Information carefully for
requirements. Please note: International students
who require a student visa are not eligible for
admission to this program.

For more information on the admission process, please visit
the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences Frequently Asked
Questions (http://columbian.gwu.edu/graduate/admissions/faqs/) page.

Supporting documents not submitted online should be
mailed to:

Columbian College of Arts and Sciences - Graduate
Admissions Office
The George Washington University
801 22nd Street NW, Phillips Hall 215
Washington DC 20052

Contact for questions:
askccas@gwu.edu – 202-994-6210 (phone) – 202-994-6213
(fax)
8:30 am - 5:30 pm, Monday through Friday

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under Columbian
College of Arts and Sciences, Graduate Programs (http://
bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#degreeregulationtext).

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 12 credits,
including 3 credits in required courses and 9 credits in elective
courses.

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<td>Public Budgeting, Revenue, and Expenditure Analysis</td>
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Electives

Three of the following:

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COMBINED PROGRAM

- Dual Master of Public Administration and Graduate
Certificate in budget and public finance (http://
bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/public-policy-administration/mba-budget-public-finance/)