DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

REQUIREMENTS

Specific admission requirements are shown on the Graduate Program Finder. (http://www.gwu.edu/all-graduate-programs)

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/#degree-regulation-text).

The requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Program (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#doctoral-text).

Completion of 72 credits beyond the baccalaureate or a minimum of 48 credits beyond the master’s degree. Students who have completed graduate course work judged to satisfy program requirements may be granted advanced standing of up to 24 credits toward the overall 72 credits required for the PhD.

# Code # Title # Credits
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**Required**
Prequalifying core curriculum
PPPA 6013 Econometrics for Policy Research I
PPPA 6014 Microeconomics for Public Policy II
PPPA 8100 Seminar: Literature of Public Administration
PPPA 8101 Research Methods
PSC 8229 Politics and Public Policy
A written qualifying examination

**Core courses**
PPPA 8105 Public Finance and Human Capital

One of the following to fulfill the quantitative course requirement:
PPPA 8022 Econometrics for Policy Research II
ECON 8376 Econometrics II
ECON 8377 Econometrics III
DNSC 6275 Advanced Statistical Modeling and Analysis

One of the following to fulfill the qualitative course requirement:
PPPA 8023 Mixed Methods in Research Design
PSC 8104 Qualitative Research Methods
EDUC 8122 Qualitative Research Methods
EDUC 8131 Case Study Research Methods
PUBH 8417 Qualitative Research Methods and Analysis

or equivalent course as approved by the program director.

A minimum of 18 credits in one of the following fields:

Education policy; health policy; budgeting and public finance; program evaluation; administration and management; science and technology policy; social policy with specialization in gender, poverty and inequality, race and ethnicity, or urban policy.

A written examination in a policy or public administration field.

**Dissertation research**
12 to 18 credits in the following courses:
PPPA 8190 Philosophical Foundations of Policy and Administrative Research
PPPA 8191 Dissertation Workshop
PPPA 8199 Dissertation Research (repeated as needed to fulfill dissertation credit requirement)

Students must maintain a minimum grade-point average of 3.3 to remain in the program.

Visit the program website (https://tspppa.gwu.edu/phd-public-policy-and-administration) for additional information.