

To earn a degree

To complete the MPP degree students must:

- ▶ Complete a total of 12 courses, including 7 courses from the program's common curriculum, 3 courses in the student's selected policy concentration area, 1 free elective, and an internship.
- ▶ Apply their knowledge in the field. The UMass Dartmouth MPP requires students with less than 2 years of substantial and relevant public policy or public management experience to complete an internship. The field work component of the Internship (2 credits) will be waived if an individual has at least 2 years substantial and relevant work experience in a policy making or public management position, although all students must enroll in the academic seminar component of the internship.
- ▶ Compile and present a professional e-portfolio. In their final semester students present a professional portfolio of the work they completed during the program before a faculty committee for review and approval. Students should begin developing their professional portfolio in their first semester of study.
- ▶ Demonstrate mastery of an area of professional specialization. Students must select a policy area concentration by the beginning of their second semester. Available concentration areas include:

Public Management
Educational Policy
Environmental Policy

Program requirements

- ▶ Seven Core courses (21 credits)
 - POL 500 Public Institutions & the Policy Process
 - POL 530 Policy Analysis
 - POL 540 Microeconomics for Public Policy
 - POL 580 Statistical Analysis
 - POL 581 Research Methods for Public Policy
 - POL 585 Applied Policy Research Seminar
 - POL 611 Administrative Law
- ▶ Policy Area Concentration (9 credits)
- ▶ Free Elective (3 credits)
- ▶ Internship (1-3 credits) POL 599 Public Policy Internship

For additional program information, including course listings and descriptions go to: www.umassd.edu/mpp

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