

Public Service & Administration Major (BA)

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The major in Public Service and Administration (PSA) in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) provides undergraduate students with an interdisciplinary course of study to: (1) reflect on the long tradition of public service both in the United States and abroad; (2) engage critically with the scholarly literature in the field; (3) examine historical and modern-day examples of public service leadership; and (4) equip them with the relevant competencies and skills to lead and serve as ethical, intelligent, inclusive, and creative leaders in public service organizations, from nonprofit organizations, to local, state, and federal government, to the private sector.

Program: Public Administration

Type: Bachelor of Arts

PRIMARY MAJOR (122 credits)

Required Major Courses (30 Credits)

All students majoring in PSA would be required to take the seven (7) courses listed below and at least one (1) elective PSA course.

Program Notes:

- **This major is the BA in CLAS. For the BIS see degree page entitled: 'Public Service & Administration Major (BIS)'.**
- Students would be permitted to count six (6) credits from already-approved courses in other departments towards the PSA major
- CPS students currently enrolled in the PSA major will complete the existing curriculum, but new CPS students enrolled in Fall 2022 will complete the new curriculum.
- CLAS students completing the PSA major will not be permitted to enroll in Fast Forward sections offered by CPS (unless they have been given special permission), but the CLAS students may take online PSA summer courses offered by CPS.

| Course | Title | Credits |
|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| PA 1050 | Public Administration | 3 |
| PA 2000 | Public Policy | 3 |
| PA 4100 | Public Budgeting | 3 |
| PA 4200 | Organizational Development | 3 |
| PA 4500 | Research Methods in Public Svc | 3 |
| PA 6000 | Vocation of Public Service | 3 |
| PA 6100 | PSA Internship | 3 |
| | Public Service Electives | 9 |

Core Curriculum Requirements (44 credits)

| Course | Title | Credits |
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| ACS 1000 | Ancients | 3 |
| ACS 1001 | Moderns | 3 |
| THL 1000 | Faith, Reason, and Culture | 3 |
| PHI 1000 | Knowledge, Reality, Self | 3 |
| ETH 2050 | The Good Life:Eth & Cont Prob | 3 |
| | Mathematics or Statistics (1 course) | 3 |
| | Natural Science (2 courses with laboratory) | 8 |
| | Literature and Writing Seminar (1 course) | 3 |
| | History (1 course) | 3 |
| | Social Sciences (2 courses) | 6 |
| | Fine Arts (1 course) | 3 |
| | Upper-Level Theology (1 course) | 3 |
| | Language Requirement | |
| | Diversity Requirement (2 courses) | |

Free Elective Requirement (48 credits)

Students with a Public Service & Administration (BA) primary major have forty-eight (48) required free elective credits.

Degree Credit Summary

- **Major Credits:** 30 credits
- **Core Credits:** 44 credits
- **Free Electives Credits:** 48 credits
- **Total Required Credits:** 122 Credits

Note: The above credit totals are based on the minimum number of required credits in each degree area. The minimum number of required credits in each area listed above must be met. Credits taken beyond the required minimum for one area may not be applied to another area.

SECONDARY MAJOR

Students who declare Public Service & Administration (BA) as a **secondary major** must complete the Required Major Courses to achieve this major. Students are able to count any eligible course taken in their primary major, the core curriculum, minors, concentrations, or free electives toward these requirements.

Category Descriptions

Public Service Electives

Credits: 9

Students must take three electives worth 3cr each from the list below. At least one course must come from section A.

Section A

3 of these 9 credits must be taken in PSA.

| Course | Title | Credits |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| PA 2100 | City and Suburb | 3 |
| PA 3000 | Overview of Non-Profit Sector | 3 |
| PA 5000 | Special Topics | 3 |
| PA 5100 | Independent Study | 3 |

Section B

Students are permitted to count six credits from this list of already-approved courses in other departments towards the PSA Major.

| Course | Title | Credits |
|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| COM 2440 | Theories of Organizational Com | 3 |
| COM 3203 | Communication Law & Policy | 3 |
| CRM 3001 | Justice and Society | 3 |
| ECO 3112 | Public Sector Economics | 3 |
| ECO 3127 | Development Economics | 3 |
| ECO 3140 | Urban Economics | 3 |
| EDU 3253 | Educational Policy Analysis | 3 |
| ENG 2060 | Desktop Publishing | 3 |
| GEV 3001 | Intro to Sustainability Study | 3 |
| GEV 3308 | Environmental Health | 3 |
| GEV 3570 | Land Use Planning & Mgmt | 3 |
| GEV 4310 | Environmental Issues Seminar | 3 |
| GEV 4330 | Spec Topics in Environm Policy | 3 |
| GEV 4340 | Spec Topics in Environm Issues | 3 |
| GEV 4350 | Spec Topics in Environm Sci | 3 |
| GEV 4510 | Special Topics in Geography | 3 |
| HS 3700 | Human Service Systems | 3 |
| HUM 2002 | Human Person | 3 |
| HUM 2004 | PSC:Society | 3 |
| HUM 2900 | Topics | 3 |
| MGT 2155 | Organizational Behavior | 3 |
| MGT 2250 | Global Corp Responsibility | 3 |
| MGT 2360 | Global Leadership | 3 |
| MKT 2230 | Marketing of Services | 3 |
| NS 4100 | Leadership and Management | 3 |
| NS 4200 | Leadership and Ethics | 3 |
| NUR 3122 | Imper for Global & Pub Health | 3 |
| NUR 4114 | Nursing and Health Policy | 2 |
| PJ 2500 | Education & Social Justice | 3 |
| PJ 2700 | Peacemakers & Peacemaking | 3 |
| PJ 2800 | Race, Class, & Gender | 3 |
| PJ 2900 | Ethical Issues in P & J | 3 |
| PJ 5100 | Discrimination, Justice & Law | 3 |
| PSC 2110 | U.S. State & Local Government | 3 |
| PSC 2125 | U.S. Presidency | 3 |
| PSC 2180 | U.S. National Security Policy | 3 |
| PSC 2210 | Globalization | 3 |
| PSC 2230 | International Organization | 3 |
| PSC 2240 | Internat'l Political Economy | 3 |
| PSC 3140 | Race, Ethnicity & Pol. in U.S. | 3 |
| PSC 3210 | American Foreign Policy | 3 |
| PSC 3230 | Development and Aid | 3 |
| PSC 3240 | East Asia Political Economy | 3 |

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| PSC 3250 | Genocide and Mass Killing | 3 |
| SOC 2900 | Politics, Economy and Society | 3 |
| SOC 2950 | Perspectives on US Poverty | 3 |
| THL 5000 | THM Religion | 3 |
| VIA 3020 | Creating Social Impact | 3 |

Natural Science (2 courses with laboratory)

Credits: 8

Non-science majors meet the Core Curriculum Natural Science requirement by taking two semesters of Mendel Science Experience (MSE), thematically-based lecture/laboratory courses designed for non-science majors; or two semesters of lecture/laboratory courses designed for science majors.

Science (AST, BIO, BIOC, CHM, CBN, CSC, ENV, MAT, PHY - B.S. only, PSY - B.S. only) majors meet the science requirement through the regular program of study in their major.