

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION - MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Master's Accelerated Program Information

The Master's Accelerated Program (MAP) provides the opportunity for qualified undergraduate students to begin taking graduate-level courses in their junior or senior years. Eligible students can count up to 12 graduate-level credits by applying them to their undergraduate degree and the Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree. This allows students to complete their graduate degree in a much shorter period of time. Students also benefit by making progress towards a graduate degree while paying undergraduate tuition rates.

Students interested in MAP should contact Dr. Neil Harvey, Department Head, at nharvey@nmsu.edu. Students must earn a grade of **B or higher** to have graduate credits count under the MAP program. Graduate courses completed with a B- or lower are not eligible for MAP credit.

Student Qualifications

- The student may apply for MAP after completing 60 credit hours towards their Bachelor's Degree.
- The student applying for MAP must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of **3.25**.
- As a prerequisite, students may participate in MAP if they receive a **B or higher** in POLS 330 Introduction to Public Administration.

Accepted MAP Courses

Students can take any four of the following courses to count towards both the MPA degree and their bachelor's degree. Any other courses may be considered after consultation with an advisor. An exception will need to be made to the degree audit in order for the additional course(s) to be included on both the Undergraduate and Graduate degrees.

Prefix	Title	Credits
POLS 524	Introduction to the Nonprofit Sector	3
POLS 526	Performance Management of Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3
POLS 530	Seminar in Public Policy	3
POLS 540	Seminar in Public Administration	3
POLS 542	Public Sector Human Resources Management	3
POLS 547	Government Organizations	3
POLS 549	Ethics in Government	3

Students interested in enrolling in graduate courses as part of MAP should contact Dr. Neil Harvey, Department Head, at nharvey@nmsu.edu for additional information and approval.