

# Master of Public Administration (MPA)

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The MPA program is the preferred degree program for individuals who hold or hope to acquire supervisory positions in the public or nonprofit sector.

The MPA serves to improve management related job skills and performance, obtain leadership positions within current organizations or begin careers in public or nonprofit organizations. Some pursue the MPA to strengthen their academic credentials and knowledge of the public sector to prepare for law school or doctoral-level work.

# **3 MODES OF INSTRUCTION**

#### PROGRAM DELIVERY

MPA courses are offered using three formats:



### In the classroom

Meet once a week in the evening or on Saturday morning



## **Hybrid courses**

Meet in class four to five times; remaining coursework completed online



#### Distance courses

No in-class sessions; all coursework is online

Courses are offered each fall and spring semester and during the summer in four, five, nine, 10 or 14-week sessions.









#### PROGRAM CURRICULUM

The MPA program consists of **36 credit hours**. Courses within the Master of Public Administration program are three or six credit hours. Students may choose a specialization in either public sector administration or nonprofit administration.

#### **APPLY TODAY!**

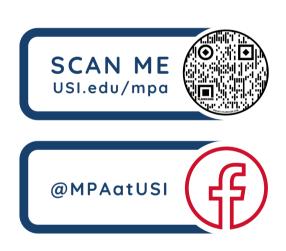
Visit our website at <u>USI.edu/mpa</u> to inquire about the program and view the admission requirements.

We offer rolling admissions, so you can apply at any time with three start dates throughout the academic year!

- 1. Complete the <u>Graduate Studies application</u>
  - a. Submit the application fee
  - b. Submit official transcripts and additional International information
- 2. Complete the MPA application that includes:
  - a. Personal statement
  - b. Resume or Curriculum Vitae
  - c. Contact information for two references

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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# **More Options**

#### MSW/MPA DUAL DEGREE

Students have the opportunity to complete a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree and a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree in two calendar years. Admission to both graduate programs is required before beginning the program. Students who do not have a Bachelor of Social Work degree can enroll in the full-time liberal acts track. The two-year advanced standing track is for students with a Bachelor of Social Work degree.

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# CERTIFICATES IN PUBLIC SECTOR OR NONPROFIT ADMINISTRATION

Certification provides an opportunity to build skill sets that will demonstrate your professional value, enhance your ability to succeed and advance your level of learning in a specialized area. Students interested in completing a certificate in public administration will be required to complete 12 credit hours in either public sector administration or nonprofit administration.

A complete list of required courses and their descriptions can be found on the Master of Public Administration program website.