

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Business and Public Administration
Academic Advising Office 708-534-4391
Master of Public Administration (MPA) Student Study Plan

NAME _____ STUDENT ID _____

REQUIRED PREPARATION _____ 9-12 HOURS

Grade of "B" or higher required.
 PADM 301 Introduction to Public Administration 3 _____

 POLS 302 American National Government
OR
 POLS 320 Local Governmental Systems 3 _____

 STAT 361 Statistics for Management I **AND** 3 _____
 STAT 362 Statistics for Management II 3 _____
OR
 MGMT 610 Foundations of Managerial Statistics 3 _____

SUMMARY OF HOURS REQUIRED

Preparatory Hours
 Completed _____

 Graduate Transfer Hours
 Accepted _____

 Hours Required
 At GSU _____

 Total Hours Required
 (36 hrs minimum) _____

REQUIRED MPA CORE COURSES _____ 33 HOURS

MIS 610 Information Systems for Managers*
 Or another graduate MIS course approved by the MPA Program Director
 or the Division Chair in the absence of the Program Director 3 _____
 MGMT 810 Organizational Behavior in a Global Context 3 _____
 MGMT 860 Issues in Public and Private Management 3 _____
 PADM 802 Economic Analysis in Public Admin 3 _____
 PADM 810 Seminar in Public Human Resource Admin 3 _____
 PADM 812 Seminar in Public Budgeting 3 _____
 PADM 820 Seminar in Urban Government 3 _____
 PADM 840 Seminar in Public Policy 3 _____
 PADM 851 Seminar in Public Planning 3 _____
 PADM 852 Seminar in Research Methods 3 _____
 POLS 863 Seminar in American Institutions & Values 3 _____

Date English Proficiency Met _____

CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Satisfy all conditions of admission.
- 2) Maintain an overall G.P.A. of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) for all course work completed at Governors State University as a graduate student with no more than two grades of "C".
- 3) Complete all preparatory courses with a "B" or higher in each course
- 4) Satisfy the written communication proficiency requirement.
- 5) Apply for candidacy after earning a minimum of 9 and a maximum of 12 graduate credit-hours (beyond preparatory course work). Students who complete more than 15 hours of degree requirements before attaining candidacy status may be required to complete up to 18 additional hours, approved by the Dean, as a candidate before being approved for graduation by the college.

CAPSTONE REQUIREMENT (Select one of the following) _____ 3 HOURS

Can only be taken in final semester, see Advisor for application.

PADM 855 Master's Research Paper (prereq PADM 852)
OR
 PADM 865 Problems in Applied Public Management (prereq PADM 852)
OR
 PADM 867 Practicum (prereq PADM 852) 3 _____

Date Candidacy Met _____

TOTAL GRADUATE LEVEL HOURS FOR DEGREE _____ 36 HOURS

I am responsible for **applying for graduation** with the Registrar by the first day of my final semester.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Advisor Signature _____ **Date** _____