MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC POLICY

As data becomes increasingly available to the public service arena, talented policy analysts are needed more than ever before. This accelerated, one-year program will teach you the skills to critically assess and communicate data so you can implement effective public policy. The program is uniquely designed to apply classroom learning to real-world experience through intensive practice, a hands-on studio project, and an internship in your field of interest. You'll understand how to effectively analyze and address the most pressing public service challenges of our time—so you can make your impact on the world.

> "I chose the MSPP program because of its focus on the skills that are integral to policy analysis. Despite having a limited quantitative background, the intensive, cohort-style program caught me up to speed with what I need to know in my professional sector.
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> **Lauren Alper, MSPP 2018**
> Senior Associate, Precision Strategies

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **Accelerated and intensive** one-year curriculum in policy analysis, quantitative methods, and communications skills.
- **Professional internship** linked to your coursework, testing classroom skills and ideas against real-world experiences.
- **Tight-knit, collaborative cohort** within a broader school of public service.
- **A powerful community** that connects you with key organizations, contacts, and career opportunities worldwide.
- **A culminating studio project** that uses data as the basis for an individual master's policy analysis brief.

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

The MSPP is an accelerated, one-year, cohort-based program. The unique curriculum blends policy analysis, management, quantitative methods, and communication skills. The program runs from August through July, and students must be enrolled full-time.

You'll graduate fully prepared for an impactful career in policy analysis in any sector and field—including economic development, education, health, housing, and urban policy. You'll be ready to work for think tanks, policy consulting organizations, government agencies, foundations, and private sector companies—from New York City to cities and countries around the globe.

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SAMPLE CURRICULUM

Students must complete a total of 42 credits to graduate.

SUMMER	**Methods, Microeconomics, and Management Intensive** Summer intensive introducing quantitative methods, microeconomics, and public management
FALL	**Introduction to Public Policy** Fundamentals of analytic approaches to public policy
	Public Economics and Finance How to interpret economic analyses and predict the effects of financial activities
	Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis Introduction to key methods of quantitative policy analysis
	Financial Management Fundamentals of budgeting and accounting
	Communication Skills for the Policy Analyst How to effectively communicate public policy ideas to various stakeholders
	Topic Elective
JANUARY	**Public Management** The basics of contemporary public management and the critical analysis skills necessary for practice
SPRING	**Program Analysis and Evaluation** How to use evaluation tools to assess publicly funded programs
	The Practice of Work Two days per week internship in a policy role at an organization in NYC, plus supplemental experiential learning course
	Topic and Methods Electives
SUMMER	**Applied Policy Analysis** Seminar series and team projects that refine policy analysis skills
	Policy Analysis Studio Individual hands-on project that tackles a real public service challenge: conduct in-depth research and analysis, write an issue brief, present your findings to a panel of experts

APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- ☑ US bachelor's degree or equivalent
- ☑ Application and essays
- ☑ Transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate institutions attended
- ☑ Resume
- ☑ Two letters of recommendation
- ☑ GRE or GMAT
- ☑ TOEFL or IELTS Exam (if bachelor's program not conducted in English)
- ☑ $85 application fee
- ☑ Video essay (optional)

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ELECTIVES

Electives are selected from an approved list of quantitative methods and topic electives. Topic electives can be clustered into specific policy areas (such as housing; education; health; transportation; international development; and inequality, race, and poverty).