

MPA

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PUBLIC & NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT & POLICY

To be an effective public service leader, you'll need a broad education and a firm grasp of how skills and ideas translate in different real-world contexts. This interdisciplinary program will prepare you for a transformative career in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors. Using the thriving urban setting of New York City as your laboratory, you'll understand how to effectively address the most pressing issues of our time.



I categorize my career as 'before Wagner' and 'after Wagner.' Wagner pushed me to develop a career plan, and I credit the school with launching my trajectory into senior leadership in the K-12 education and nonprofit sectors.

Thalia Theodore Washington, MPA-PNP 2007
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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **Engaged and influential faculty** who encourage you to test the skills and ideas you develop in the classroom against your real-world professional experiences—and vice versa.
- **Critical analytic skills** and frameworks that you'll need to successfully make an impact across sectors, fields, and policy arenas.
- **A powerful community** whose members can connect you to key organizations, contacts, and career opportunities worldwide.

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

The MPA-PNP program can be completed in two years full-time or 3-4 years part-time, with the flexibility to switch between the two. All students take core courses to gain essential skills in management, policy, and finance. Students then focus on a specialization, each of which has a set of required courses and a wide range of electives.

A full list of courses can be found at wagner.nyu.edu/courses.

REQUIRED CORE COURSES:

- **Management and Leadership**
- **Financial Management for Public, Nonprofit, and Health Organizations**
- **Statistical Methods for Public, Nonprofit, and Health Management**
- **Microeconomics for Public Management, Planning, and Policy Analysis**
- **Introduction to Public Policy**

SPECIALIZATIONS

Students must complete a total of 45 credits to graduate.

ADVOCACY prepares you to magnify your impact and create meaningful change in the civic engagement, political, and advocacy arenas. You'll learn the strategies and tactics to successfully mobilize people, organizations, and systems.

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Community Organizing**
- **Participatory Policymaking**
- **Strategic Communications for Advocacy**

INTERNATIONAL prepares students with an interest in global public service work to confront the challenges of implementing complex public service policies and programs in different international contexts.

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Institutions, Governance, and International Development**
- **Politics of International Development**
- **International Economic Development: Governments, Markets, and Communities**

POLICY gives you the analytical and qualitative skills you'll need to evaluate and create policy that better serves the public good.

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Policy Formation and Policy Analysis**
- **Program Analysis and Evaluation**
- **Advanced Empirical Methods for Policy Analysis**

FINANCE prepares you for a finance career in the nonprofit, public, or private sector. You'll study the field of finance from both an internal managerial perspective (financial management) and an external policy perspective (public finance).

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Public Economics and Finance**
- **Multiple Regression and Introduction to Econometrics**
- **Fundamentals of Accounting**

MANAGEMENT gives you the breadth and depth of skills you'll need to lead and manage public, nonprofit, and private organizations around the world.

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Strategic Management and Leadership**
- **Human Resources: Leading Talent Development**
- **Performance Measurement and Management for Public, Nonprofit, and Health Care Organizations**

SOCIAL INNOVATION

blends financial management, impact investment, operations, and policy to prepare you to develop entrepreneurial solutions to the world's most pressing challenges.

SAMPLE COURSES

- **Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation By Design**
- **Understanding Social Enterprise**
- **Social Impact Investment**

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 recommended but not required
- ✓ TOEFL or IELTS Exam (if bachelor's program not conducted in English)
- ✓ \$85 application fee
- ✓ Video essay (optional)

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