NYU Wagner prepares public service leaders to translate ideas into actions that have a lasting impact on the public good. Our students and alumni pursue careers in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors, making their impact in health, education, transportation, international development, finance, and many other areas. They share a commitment to improve cities and communities across the globe.
BACHELOR’S DEGREES

Public Policy Major | Minors
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Overview
An undergraduate policy program that exposes you to the complex policy challenges of the day, and gives you the skills to address them.
Various undergraduate programs that give you a critical skill set to enhance your major for studying:
- Social & Public Policy
- Public Policy & Management
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Multifaith & Spiritual Leadership

Length
4 years (or duration of bachelor’s degree)

Who it’s for
NYU undergraduates in their freshman or sophomore years who are interested in shaping public policies.
NYU undergraduates who want to enhance their major with a deeper understanding of either public policy, social policy, social entrepreneurship, or spiritual leadership.

Curriculum overview
Two prerequisites, 6 core courses, four electives, and a senior seminar.
Social & Public Policy: 16 credits (min 4 courses)
Public Policy & Management: 14 credits (min 4 courses)
Social Entrepreneurship: 14 credits (min 4 courses)
Multifaith & Spiritual Leadership: 16 credits

When do I apply?
Declare your major before the end of your sophomore year.

Learn more
wagner.nyu.edu/education/undergraduate/major wagner.nyu.edu/education/undergraduate/minors wagner.nyu.edu/education/degrees/dual-degree-program/ba-mpa wagner.nyu.edu/education/degrees/dual-degree-program/ba-mup

MASTER’S DEGREES DURING UNDERGRAD

BA-Master of Public Administration | BA-Master of Urban Planning
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Overview
Various dual-degree programs that blend a broad liberal arts undergraduate education with a professional graduate education in public administration with either:
- College of Arts & Science
- Gallatin School of Individualized Study
- Global Liberal Studies
- NYU Abu Dhabi

Length
Bachelor’s degree, plus 1 year minimum

Who it’s for
NYU undergraduates who want to earn their bachelor’s and master’s degrees in a condensed timeline and are interested in a meaningful public service career.
NYU undergraduates in one of 6 specific majors who want to earn their bachelor’s and master’s degrees in a condensed timeline and are interested in a career in urban planning.

Curriculum overview
As few as 152 credits (instead of 173 if the two degrees are completed separately). You can earn up to 21 credits of advanced standing in your undergraduate coursework.
As few as 11 required courses and 5 electives. Students undertake an internship in their spring semester, and complete a Policy Analysis Studio as their culminating hands-on research project.

When do I apply?
Apply in your junior year.

Learn more
wagner.nyu.edu/education/degrees/dual-degree-program/ba-mpa wagner.nyu.edu/education/degrees/dual-degree-program/ba-mup

MASTER’S DEGREES RIGHT AFTER UNDERGRAD

Master of Science in Public Policy (MSPP) | Master of Urban Planning (MUP)
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Overview
A dual-degree program that blends a broad liberal arts undergraduate education with a professional graduate education in urban planning.
An intensive, quantitative master’s program that prepares you for a career in policy analysis in a range of fields and sectors.

Length
1 year

Who it’s for
Those with an undergraduate degree who are interested in beginning a career in policy analysis and have strong quantitative skills.

Curriculum overview
62 credits, consisting of 31 required courses and 5 electives. Students undertake an internship in their spring semester, and complete a Policy Analysis Studio as their culminating hands-on research project.

When do I apply?
Apply in your senior year.

Learn more
wagner.nyu.edu/mspp wagner.nyu.edu/mup

MASTER’S DEGREES WITH WORK EXPERIENCE PREFERRED

Master of Public Administration (MPA) | Master of Urban Planning (MUP) | Master of Public & Nonprofit Administration (MPA)
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Overview
Future leaders with an undergraduate degree who have:
- A demonstrated commitment to public service
- At least two years of professional experience preferred
- A desire to expand their skills, advance their careers, and build a powerful professional network

Length
2 years (full-time) or 3+ years (part-time)

Who it’s for
Future leaders with an undergraduate degree who want to earn their bachelor’s and master’s degrees in a condensed timeline and are interested in a career in urban planning.

Curriculum overview
45 credits, consisting of 5 required school-wide courses, specialization-required courses, elective courses, and a culminating Capstone group project.

When do I apply?
Apply after gaining work experience.

Learn more
wagner.nyu.edu/mpa-pnp wagner.nyu.edu/mpa-health wagner.nyu.edu/mup