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Bachelor's-to-Master's Accelerated Degree Program Public Policy

Turn your passion into impact
by acquiring the tools and
degree to become a community
change-maker and
policy leader!



What can I do with an MPP?

Create solutions to complex societal challenges, become a policy analyst, advocate, nonprofit manager, White House Fellow, leader in areas such as poverty alleviation, climate change, health care, criminal justice, economic equity, and more!

Do I have to major in Public Policy?

No! This option is open to students in any major. Students who major in PEPL with a policy concentration, or who declare a minor in Public Policy would be able to count most of their required courses towards the MPP.

What classes do I need to take?

To complete the MPP in one additional year, you must take eight prerequisite foundation courses (see reverse).
Course requirements are subject to change. We recommend that you consult with an MPP advisor by the start of your junior year to discuss a course plan.

When do I apply?

Apply in your senior year. The priority deadline is February 1, and final round deadline is July 15. Students who do not complete the grad year right away may come back within 5 years to complete the MPP.

How do I apply?

Mills undergraduates benefit from a simplified application process:

- 1) Go online to www.mills.edu/publicpolicy to access the online application. Use the fee waiver code of #ThinkBig to waive out of the application fee.
- 2) Your application should include a resume, personal statement, and three letters of recommendation.
- 3) You may use unofficial transcripts from the portal, including a transfer of credit report, if applicable.

Earn a Master's Degree in one additional year at Mills!

Questions? Contact the Office of Graduate Admissions.

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This course sequencing may aid you in your planning. We recommend that you consult with an MPP advisor by the start of your junior year to discuss a course plan.

Foundation Requirements

Students planning to pursue the one-year master of public policy (MPP) should plan to take the following foundation courses:

1. Introduction to Policy OR The Public Policy Making Process PPOL 015 or GOVT 121 Fall	2. Introduction to Economics ECON 050 Fall & Spring	3. Introduction to Statistics Econ 081 Fall & Spring
4. Public Sector Economics ECON 134 Spring	5. Law & Public Policy PPOL 141 Fall	6. Methods of Policy Analysis PPOL 100 Spring

+ One of the following Dimensions of Diversity* courses:

Students may consult with a Public Policy MPP Advisor for additional qualifying courses.

Women's Leadership in Politics PPOL 118	Sociology of Education SOC 245
Gender and Public Policy PPOL 125	Race, Sexuality, and the State WGSS 135
Housing Policy PPOL 180	Women and the Economy ECON 117
Race and Ethnic Relations in the US SOC 129	Economics of Poverty/Inequality ECON 130
Sociology of Immigration SOC 149	Race, Gender, and Criminal Justice System ETHS 157
Sociology of Oakland SOC 156	Women of Color in Social Movements ETHS 166
Gender and Society SOC 158	

+ One of the following Ethics courses:

GOVT 139 Ethical Reasoning in Public Policy	PHIL 062 Ethics	PHIL 125 Philosophy of Law
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MPP students must take an additional 8 courses (24 credits) during their graduate year.

"By continuing my graduate work at Mills, I would be able to stay in small classes and work closely with professors."

—Sonya, MPP '11

