PUBLIC MANAGEMENT, MASTER OF ARTS

MA in Public Management

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At a time when governments are faced with an array of unprecedented challenges, good management is essential. The Johns Hopkins MA in Public Management will empower you to be strategic by teaching students the fundamentals of public management: policy analysis and evaluation, financial management, economics and fiscal policy, and public policy and administration. This innovative degree prepares emerging leaders to tackle complex public policy and management problems at all levels of government.

The schedule for completing this 12-course degree program is flexible. Many students work full-time while attending the program on a part-time basis and complete their degree in two years. The MA in Public Management is offered both online or onsite at our campus in Washington, DC.

Electives are organized into three Focus Areas:

• Public Administration and Leadership
• Public Policy Evaluation
• Public Financial Management and Budgeting

Admissions Criteria for all Advanced Academic Programs (https://e-catalogue.jhu.edu/arts-sciences/advanced-academic-programs/enrollment-services/admission/)

PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the materials and credentials required for all programs, the Master of Arts in Public Management requires:

• A writing sample of two to five pages that is policy oriented. If the applicant does not have a policy-oriented paper that they wish to submit, the applicant may write a three page, double-spaced essay on the following question:

“A memorandum is not written to inform the reader, but to protect the writer.” —Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson

Please discuss whether you think the quote from former Secretary Acheson is accurate or not and why?

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

• Six required core courses
• Six elective courses

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Electives

Select six electives 1

Total Credits 36

1 Electives need to be chosen in consultation with the student’s adviser and should accommodate professional and/or personal goals.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The MA in Public Management weaves the study of public administration, public policy, economics, quantitative and qualitative analysis, and financial management into a curriculum that enable its graduates to lead and shape this rapidly growing field. Upon completion of the program graduates will be able to:

1. Utilize analytical skills—including quantitative and qualitative tools—to assess policies and program effectiveness.
2. Appraise and compare management and organization systems utilized in public sector for the purpose of maximizing efficiency and effectiveness.
3. Design, evaluate, and experiment with specific policies with regard to their ability to meet public priorities.
4. Formulate and construct budgets and financial systems used in the public sector.