

# PUBLIC PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, B.S.)

## Overview

The only undergraduate major of its kind in Missouri, the career-focused Bachelor's Degree in Public Planning and Administration trains students to cultivate their appreciation for social sciences and humanities to improve the quality of life in their communities. Students won't just learn social sciences and humanities, they will learn how to "do" social sciences and humanities for the greater good. Students with an interest in Economics, History, Philosophy, Political Science, or Sociology can put their core transferable skills to use in service to others. The Public Planning and Administration degree will prepare students for internships and employment in many growing areas: local, state, and national government; non-profit organizations; community outreach and uplift organizations; and service-oriented businesses.

## Requirements

Students who choose this bachelor degree program will have no more than 6 years from admission or subsequent declaration to meet the requirements listed below. If certification, accreditation or statutory requirements change and additional requirements become effective during this time, the new requirements take precedence.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>General Studies</b>		<b>42</b>
Students must complete General Studies courses ( <a href="https://catalog.missouriwestern.edu/undergraduate/university-information/academic-standards-regulations/baccalaureate-degree/#bachelor-general-studies">https://catalog.missouriwestern.edu/undergraduate/university-information/academic-standards-regulations/baccalaureate-degree/#bachelor-general-studies</a> ) <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Major Requirements</b>		<b>69</b>
ACC 201	Introductory Financial Accounting	3
ECO 260	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECO 362	Public Finance	3
ENG 415	Proposal and Grant Writing	3
GBA 201	Business Analytics and Reporting	3
HIS 150	American History since 1865	3
HIS 230	Modern Europe: 1789 to the Present	3
HUM 314	Technology and Society	3
PHL 230	Ethics	3
or PHL 231	Healthcare Ethics	
or PHL 232	Business Ethics	
PSC 101	American National Government	3
PSC 110	American State and Local Government	3
PSC 320	Public Administration	3
PSC 325	Nonprofit Leadership and Management	3
PSC 370	American Public Policy	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 230	Social Problems	3
SOC 400	Racial and Ethnic Relations	3
<b>Applied Learning Requirements</b>		<b>9</b>
PSC 493	Applied Learning Experience	

SOC 460	Methods of Social Research
UNV 301	Community Service Learning for Majors
<b>Select nine credit hours from the following:</b>	
ECO 375	Economics of Health Care
HIS 303	Missouri History
HIS 306	American Women's History
HIS 308	African American History
HIS 311	Race, Science, and Medicine in American History
HIS 363	Museums: History and Practice
HIS 385	United States Constitutional History
PHL 308	History and Philosophy of the Natural Sciences
PSC 345	Public Planning for Rural Communities
SOC 360	Sociology of Health, Illness and Medicine

<sup>1</sup> Courses in general studies may also be required within the major. While the course(s) may satisfy both requirements, the credit hours will count only one time in the overall hours earned.

## Program Graduation Requirements

1. Earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and a major GPA of at least 2.0.

## University Graduation Requirements

1. Earn a minimum of 120 credit hours (100 level and higher, maximum of 6 continuing education credit hours applicable).
2. Earn a minimum of 30 credit hours in upper-division courses. Lower-division transfer courses accepted as meeting upper-division departmental course requirements cannot be used to fulfill this requirement.
3. Earn 30 of the last 45 credit hours at MWSU in institutional coursework (exclusive of credit by examination).
4. Participate in required departmental and campus wide assessments.
5. Fulfill the Missouri Constitution requirement.
6. Successfully pass the Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement exam.