

# PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (PUB ADM)

## Public Administration Courses

### PUB ADM 243 Public Administration

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The means used to implement political values with emphasis on problems of administration in modern government.

**Prerequisites:** none.

**Course Rules:** Pol Sci 243 & Pub Adm 243 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 400 Ethics and Responsibility in Public Administration

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

How public administrators make ethically-sound decisions; moral and value systems that shape public administration; temptations that can cause officials to stray from ethical standards.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Course Rules:** Counts as repeat of Pol Sci 387 w/ Administrative Ethics & Responsibility subtitle.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2014, Spring 2013.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 400G Ethics and Responsibility in Public Administration

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

How public administrators make ethically-sound decisions; moral and value systems that shape public administration; temptations that can cause officials to stray from ethical standards.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Course Rules:** Counts as repeat of Pol Sci 387 w/ Administrative Ethics & Responsibility subtitle.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2014, Spring 2013.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 452 Administrative Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

An examination of due process, privacy, and other constitutional and legal issues as they arise in the regulatory investigatory, and enforcement activities of administrative agencies.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Course Rules:** American politics course. Pol Sci 452 & Pub Adm 452 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 452G Administrative Law

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

An examination of due process, privacy, and other constitutional and legal issues as they arise in the regulatory investigatory, and enforcement activities of administrative agencies.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Course Rules:** American politics course. Pol Sci 452 & Pub Adm 452 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 461 Organizational Theory and Practice

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of the role of organizations in contemporary society, with particular emphasis on governmental organizations that have formal regulation of individual group behavior as their basic functions.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 461G Organizational Theory and Practice

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Analysis of the role of organizations in contemporary society, with particular emphasis on governmental organizations that have formal regulation of individual group behavior as their basic functions.

**Prerequisites:** jr st.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025.

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### PUB ADM 630 Budgeting and Finance in the Public Sector

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Examination of the budgeting process in the public sector; development of skills in budgeting and financial management. Topics include capital budgeting, debt management, revenue forecasting, and auditing.

**Prerequisites:** sr st or cons instr.

**Course Rules:** Jointly-offered w/& counts as repeat of UrbPlan 630.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 630G Budgeting and Finance in the Public Sector

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Examination of the budgeting process in the public sector; development of skills in budgeting and financial management. Topics include capital budgeting, debt management, revenue forecasting, and auditing.

**Prerequisites:** sr st or cons instr.

**Course Rules:** Jointly-offered w/& counts as repeat of UrbPlan 630.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 730 Budgeting for Public Sector Professionals

3 cr. Graduate.

Budgeting skills for effective local and state government management; financial reporting, revenue collection and administration, pension funds, debt issuance, analytical techniques used in public budgeting.

**Prerequisites:** grad st

**Last Taught:** Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### PUB ADM 750 Public Administration Risk and Analysis

3 cr. Graduate.

Efficiency analysis; return-on-investment analysis; shared services vs. privatization; total employee compensation as a management tool; risk mitigation; the government purchasing process.

**Prerequisites:** grad st.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 763 Scope and Dynamics of Public Administration**

3 cr. Graduate.

The field of public administration, including organization theory, public management, the politics of administration, and the role of government in policy-making.

**Prerequisites:** graduate standing.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 769 Analyzing and Evaluating Public Policies and Programs**

3 cr. Graduate.

Examination of methods, including cost-benefit analysis and decision analysis, that aid policy makers and administrators in understanding and assessing public and nonprofit sector policies and programs.

**Prerequisites:** graduate standing.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 792 Decision-Making for Nonprofit and Public Organizations**

3 cr. Graduate.

Research methods including research design, measurement, and analysis. Qualitative and quantitative decision-making methods. Understanding and using basic statistical concepts and techniques in decision making.

**Prerequisites:** grad st

**Course Rules:** Nonprof 792 & Pub Adm 792(Pol Sci 792) are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 888 Candidate for Degree**

0 cr. Graduate.

Available for graduate students who must meet minimum credit load requirement.

**Prerequisites:** graduate standing.

**Course Rules:** Fee for 1 cr assessed; unit does not count towards credit load for Fin Aid. Repeatable to 12 cr max. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory only.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2014.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 914 Seminar in Intergovernmental Relations**

3 cr. Graduate.

Policy issues in intergovernmental relations and the complex governmental context in which Americans live and work.

**Prerequisites:** graduate standing.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2016.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 921 Public Service Administrative Internship**

3 cr. Graduate.

This course combines a supervised field placement in a governmental agency or non-profit organization with class sessions and assignments designed to augment the work experience.

**Prerequisites:** graduate standing and consent of instructor.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2016.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 958 Seminar in Public Administration:**

3 cr. Graduate.

Selected topics covering different aspects of public administration.

**Prerequisites:** grad st.

**Course Rules:** Retakable w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 959 Capstone Seminar in Public Administration**

3 cr. Graduate.

Seminar in public administration focusing on administrative ethics and applied research. Requires written and oral presentation of research project.

**Prerequisites:** grad st; completion of MPA core curriculum.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 965 Municipal Management**

3 cr. Graduate.

The political, social, and economic contexts in which the urban manager functions, with an emphasis on managing municipal service delivery and resources.

**Prerequisites:** grad st.

**Course Rules:** Pub Adm 965(Pol Sci 965) & Urb Std 965 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**PUB ADM 999 Independent Study**

1-3 cr. Graduate.

Independent study in a subject area of special need or interest after consultation with a faculty member.

**Prerequisites:** grad st

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2024, Summer 2023, Spring 2023.

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