

## The University of Texas at Dallas Master of Public Affairs (MPA) Degree Plan

<b>Student:</b>		<b>Year/Semester Entered:</b>			
<b>Student UTD ID:</b>		<b>Fast Track:</b>			
<b>Selected Professional Track:</b>					
Course	Title	Transfer/ Fast Track Hours	Semester Completed	Grade	Credit Hours
<b><i>Required - 24 hours</i></b>					
EPPS 6313	Introduction to Quantitative Methods				
PA 6311	Public Management				
PA 6313	Public Policymaking and Institutions				
PA 6320	Organizational Theory				
PA 6321	Government Financial Management and Budgeting				
PA 6315	Evaluating Program and Organizational Performance				
PA 6345	Human Resource Management				
PA 6382	Nonprofit Management				
<b><i>Electives within Professional track – 9 hours</i></b>					
<b><i>Capstone and Internship – 3 hours</i></b>					
PA 6399	Capstone in Public Affairs (taken in the last semester)				
PA 6V97	PAFF Internship (if needed)*				
<b>GPA:</b>		<b>Total Hours:</b>			

\*Students with less than 12 month full-time managerial public or nonprofit sector work experience must complete three (3) semester credit hours of internship credit (PA 6V97) for the MPA. The internship involves work in a professional capacity in an organization, under the joint supervision of an experienced professional mentor at the internship site and the MPA Internship Coordinator. The standard three semester credit hour internship requires approximately 20-hours per week time commitment to the work experience for a total of 300 internship contact hours during the semester. The objective of the internship is to provide an introduction to professional life and to establish sound approaches to the practice of public affairs. Students shall not take more than 6 semester credit hours of approved internship toward the MPA.

Students who wish to seek the internship waiver must submit a formal written request to the MPA Director that includes a letter documenting the duration of their experience and its relevance to public or nonprofit management. This request must be approved no later than the student's penultimate semester in the program.