INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE (MS)

The Master of Science in International Public Service (IPS) degree educates professionals to the field of international development and global humanitarian affairs. It provides the essential competencies and skills for managing international projects and leading international nongovernmental organizations. The curriculum offers a balanced education in international leadership (ethical, theoretical and practical), project management (for organizations, sectors, institutions) and evaluation (assessment, monitoring and impact analysis). Through study abroad programs, international internships and applied research projects with nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations, the IPS degree is required for a professional career in international development.

This degree is accredited by National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA).

Mission Statement

The Master of Science in International Public Service educates ethical leaders to work in international organizations in the US and abroad and emphasizes understanding cross-sector relations. We believe that leaders need practical skills and first-hand experiences in solving global problems. We are committed to strengthening local communities and reducing disparities throughout the world, by building capacity through sustainable development. We promote compassion for marginalized communities and service to all people with sensitivity, professionalism, accountability, transparency and justice.

The MS in International Public Service may also be expanded to include select graduate certificate programs covering particular areas of interest. Students participating in a combined MS/certificate program should consult with their academic advisor to determine what coursework might count toward both programs. A separate application process for the certificate is required. Students who are interested in any of the following combination programs should contact the Graduate Student Services Office or the Assistant Director for Student Advising (SPSAdvising@depaul.edu) for additional information.

• International Public Service + Community Development Certificate
• International Public Service + Geographic Information Systems Certificate
• International Public Service + Global Health Certificate
• International Public Service + Metro Planning and Development Certificate
• International Public Service + Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certificate
• International Public Service + Social Research Certificate
• International Public Service + Sustainable Urban Food Systems Certificate
• International Public Service + Women's and Gender Studies Certificate

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

• Explain relevant topical issues in international public service to target audiences in the appropriate written and oral formats.
• Apply an ethical framework in making an organization decision on a current moral dilemma.
• Analyze the leadership, management, and strategic planning skills essential to sustaining international public service organizations.
• Demonstrate their research competencies through a multi-step self-assessment process.

Degree Requirements

Course Requirements

Students are required to complete a total of 13 courses (52 credit hours): eleven core courses (44 credit hours), two elective courses (8 credit hours).

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Elective Courses

Choose two of the following: 8

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MPS 525  WORKING WITH NONPROFIT BOARDS
MPS 529  STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING
MPS 535  HEALTH CARE POLICY
MPS 537  COMPARATIVE HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS
MPS 541  ECONOMIC FOUNDATIONS OF PUBLIC SERVICE
MPS 542  POLICY DESIGN AND ANALYSIS
MPS 543  POLICY IMPLEMENTATION
MPS 546  ADVOCACY AND LOBBYING
MPS 552  GIS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MPS 563  LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY
MPS 573  HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MPS 600  INDEPENDENT STUDY
MPS 604  SPECIAL TOPICS
MPS 610  INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
MPS 614  INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SEMINAR
MPS 615  MANAGEMENT OF INTERCULTURAL DIVERSITY

**Thesis Option**
Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above may choose the thesis option and replace MPS 593 with MPS 598.

**Study Abroad Requirement**
Students are required to take the MPS 575 study abroad course. This one week study abroad trip allows both full-time and part-time students to participate. Students should apply for the competitive study abroad scholarships to help with travel costs.

**International Work/Internship Option**
Students have the option to complete substantial professional experience in an international or intercultural setting for course credit. Students without substantial professional experience in an international or intercultural setting, are strongly encouraged to pursue an internship with an approved organization. To pursue this option, students enroll in MPS 610 while completing the internship. For more information contact SPSAdvising@depaul.edu (%20SPSAdvising@depaul.edu).

**Foreign Language Proficiency**
Students are not required to demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language as a graduation requirement. However, please note that a second language is critical to helping a resume stand out and for constructing an effective career in international public service. Therefore all students are strongly encouraged to build and demonstrate proficiency in at least one other language appropriate to their field or geographical interests.

**Student Handbook**
Students in the School of Public Service will follow many of the requirements, rules, and regulations set by the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and the DePaul University Graduate Handbook. There are additional academic regulations specific to students in the School of Public Service. Please see information below.

**Academic Probation**
All students within the School of Public Service must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher as part of their requirements for graduation. As a result, any student who earns a cumulative GPA below 2.7 (B-) is placed on academic probation. Students on academic probation are required to meet with the Assistant Director for Academic Advising to discuss their performance and determine a plan for improvement.

**Dismissal**
Students who are not able to raise their cumulative GPA to a minimum of 2.7 within two academic quarters (after being placed on academic probation) are subject to dismissal from the program.

**Readmission**
If a student is dismissed from the program (as outlined in the dismissal policy), he or she may reapply through the formal admission application process.

**Graduation Requirements**
In order to graduate from the program, students must complete all program requirements with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher. If a student’s cumulative GPA is below a 2.7, he or she may be denied graduation.

**Non-Degree Seeking Students**
While MPS courses are open to non-degree seeking graduate students, pre-requisite requirements for certain courses may be enforced.