

The below curriculum outlines the requirements of the concurrent MUEP/MPA program. Students are strongly advised to take graduate coursework in the order described. Most MUEP classes are offered only once per year (Fall only or Spring only). If students need to deviate from the below plan, contact the MUEP or MPA Program Coordinator to review options.

Year One

<i>Fall (12.0 credits graduate level coursework)</i>	Credits
PUP 501 Planning History and Theory	3.0
PUP 576 GIS Workshop for Planners ¹	3.0
PUP 571 Planning Methods	3.0
PAF 503 Public Affairs	3.0
<i>Spring (12.0 credits graduate level coursework; 3.0 credits shared* between MUEP and MPA)</i>	
PUP 531 Planning & Development Control Law	3.0
PUP 520 Planning Practice, Ethics & Processes ¹	3.0
PAF 501 Public Service Research I*	3.0
PAF 508 Organization Behavior	3.0

Year Two

<i>Fall (12.0 credits graduate level coursework; 6.0 credits shared* between MUEP and MPA)</i>	
PAF 502 Public Service Research II	3.0
PAF 507 Public Human Resources Management	3.0
Approved PAF graduate elective*:	3.0
Choose one:	
PUP 642 Urban and Regional Economic Analysis* OR	3.0
PAF 504 Microeconomics of Public Policy I*	3.0
<i>Spring (12.0 credits graduate level coursework)</i>	
PUP 544 Urban Land Use Planning	3.0
PUP 542 Environmental Planning	3.0
PAF 505 Public Policy Analysis	3.0
PAF 506 Public Budgeting and Finance	3.0

Year Three

Fall (12.0 credits graduate level coursework; 9.0 credits shared between MUEP and MPA)*

Approved PAF or MUEP graduate elective*:	3.0
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Approved PAF graduate elective:	3.0

Spring (11.0-12.0 credits graduate level coursework)

PAF 509 Public Affairs Capstone	3.0
Approved MUEP graduate elective:	3.0
MUEP culminating experience (choose one):	
PUP 580 Planning Workshop OR	5.0
PUP 593 Applied Project OR	5.0
PUP 599 Thesis	6.0

Total credits required for concurrent MUEP/MPA degree 71.0

¹ PUP 576 is normally offered in the Spring; PUP 520 is normally offered in the Fall. The schedule will be swapped during Academic Year 2018-2019 only. Plan accordingly for future semesters.

Shared Coursework

Courses indicated with an asterisk are shared between the MUEP and MPA plans of study. No more than 18.0 credits may be shared between the plans of study.

MUEP Core Requirements

The listed classes are required and cannot be waived or substituted, with the exception of PUP 576. PUP 576 may be waived with ample GIS experience. Submit the *Course Waiver* form to check for waiver eligibility. A substitute course for PUP 576 may be chosen from the *Approved Method Courses* list.

MUEP Electives

Any graduate level GCU, GIS, GPH, or PUP course may be taken as elective. Interdisciplinary courses may be taken, but must be approved by the department if they are not on the *Approved MUEP Electives* list. Submit the *Petition for Transfer or Interdisciplinary Elective Courses* form to request approval. Electives may be taken at any time; the outline above is a guideline for distributing enrollment equitably throughout six semesters. A maximum of 6.0 credits of 400-level elective coursework may be included on the plan of study but must be approved by the MUEP Director. Contact the MPA Program Coordinator for approved PAF electives.

MUEP Culminating Experience

Culminating experience options are a traditional capstone PUP 580 Planning Workshop (5.0 credits), a professional project PUP 593 Applied Project (5.0 credits), or a thesis PUP 599 Thesis (6.0 credits).

Time to Completion

The MUEP/MPA degree is designed to be completed in three years, with a minimum 12.0 credit hours taken per semester (Fall and Spring enrollment only). Fewer hours may be taken but will prolong the time to degree completion.