



# GRADUATE STUDIES

Application Guidelines for **Master in Public Policy**

Application Deadlines **Priority Deadline: February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Final Deadline: June 15<sup>th</sup>**

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APPLICATION CATEGORY	SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS
Program of Interest	Select: College of Arts and Sciences>Public Policy>Public Policy
Test Scores	GRE General Test required for all applicants. Our institutional code is 4845.
Letter of Intent	Tell us why you want to pursue a degree in public policy, and what work and academic experiences you bring to the program. Please indicate if you plan to study full or part time (this is for planning purposes only and will not impact the admissions decision).
Writing Sample	In this section, submit one writing sample that demonstrates your critical thinking skills. Most applicants submit a term paper, article or report. A writing sample that addresses a policy issue is ideal. Please feel free to contact the director to discuss your choice of writing sample. Please also use this section to <a href="#">upload the previous course work form</a> as a second document.
CV/Resume	Required. No special instructions.
Relevant Coursework	Do not fill out this section. Please fill out and upload the <a href="#">previous coursework form</a> in addition to your writing sample under "Writing Sample" to indicate fulfillment of this requirement.

## **Recommendations**

Provide email addresses for three references who will write letters of recommendation. Letters from professors and instructors are preferred over letters from employers. Applicants who are college seniors or recent graduates should have at least two letters from professors or instructors. Applicants who have been out of school for several years will need at least one letter from a professor; the others can be from employers. Your recommenders should address your academic performance and aptitude for policy analysis at the graduate level. Please note that the online application system will automatically contact your recommenders with instructions for submitting the letters. It is your responsibility to let your recommenders know the application deadline. **DO NOT WAIT FOR THESE LETTERS TO COME IN.** Submit your application as soon as you have completed all of the other sections and have provided contact information for your references.