About This Degree Program

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) program focuses on concepts and skills needed to effectively manage organizations operating outside of the traditional business environment.

The MPA program requires successful completion of 39 semester credit hours, and offers students a choice of two emphases: government management and healthcare management. Students must declare an emphasis prior to graduation; successful completion of an emphasis is noted on transcripts. Total program length varies based on the number of courses taken per eight-week session.

Emphases offered within the MPA program:
- Healthcare Management
- Government Management

Government Management Emphasis

If your professional goals include lending your managerial expertise to city, county, state or federal governments, the MPA with Government Management may be right for you.

Graduates of DeVry University’s Keller Graduate School of Management Public Administration program with an emphasis in Government Management may consider careers in areas such as regulatory affairs and compliance, social and community service management, or administrative services management to name a few.

Knowledge and Skills

Strategic Management — Determine and execute the objectives of non-profit and/or governmental organizations

Collaboration — Collaborate effectively with diverse populations in multiple settings.

Professional Communication — Demonstrate professional oral and written communication skills through written reports, research projects, project plans and oral presentations.

Leadership and Team Building — Synthesize leadership and team-building skills and effective management practices to ensure stakeholders are engaged and resources are used effectively

Accreditation Matters

Keller’s Master of Public Administration program has achieved voluntary accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP, www.acbsp.org), demonstrating that it has met the standards of business education that promote teaching excellence.

Essentials Courses

ACCT500 Essentials in Accounting, Finance and Economics
MATH534 Applied Managerial Statistics
MGMT501 Organizational Structures and Business Processes

Core-Degree Courses

HRM587 Managing Organizational Change
MGMT591 Leadership and Organizational Behavior
MIS540 Innovation Through Technology
PROJS86 Project Management Systems

Emphasis-Specific Courses

ACCT503 Managerial Finance: Managerial Use and Analysis
ACCT567 Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting
PAS81 Governmental Budgeting and Finance
PAS82 Public Policy Formulation and Implementation
PAS84 Intergovernmental Management

Capstone

PA601 MPA Capstone