



# The Graduate School

## UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ST LOUIS

### Graduate Program Profile Master of Public Policy Administration (MPPA)

#### DEGREE PROGRAM

A minimum of 40 credit hours is required, consisting of a 28-hour core and a 12-hour specialization. Students must demonstrate competency in computer-based applications in the first semester by completing a computer proficiency examination. The core curriculum combines work in public administration and policy analysis and provides practice in qualitative and quantitative approaches to the field. Included in the 28-hour core is a one-credit Exit Project in which students analyze a policy or administrative program of their choice.

#### EMPHASIS AREAS

Local Government Management; Managing Human Resources and Organizations; Nonprofit Organization Management; Policy Research and Analysis

#### PROGRAM WEBSITE

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/mppa/progdes.html>

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Application  
<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/prospective/applying.html>
2. Official transcripts from all universities attended  
Successful applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree before beginning the master's program.
3. Three Letters of Recommendation  
Letters of recommendation are required from persons qualified to evaluate the applicant's ability to do academic work, preferably current or former faculty.
4. Entrance examinations
  - a) Acceptable Graduate Record Examination scores are optional (<http://www.gre.org/ttindex.html>).
  - b) International students are required to document English proficiency (<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/prospective/international.html>).
5. Grade Point Average  
Minimum of 3.0 on 4.0 scale is required. Applicants with GPA below 3.0 will be considered on an individual basis.
6. Personal Statement  
Please describe very clearly in two or three pages your individual goals and substantive areas of interest.

#### APPLICATION DEADLINE (for domestic students)

**Fall admission:** July 1

**Winter/Spring admission:** December 1

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

#### APPLICATION FEE

\$35 (\$40 for international students)

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Certificates

