Political Science and Public Administration

Graduate Programs

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Graduate training in political science and public administration prepares students to analyze political and social phenomena in rigorous ways and pursue a wide array of careers, from government and academia to the nonprofit and private sectors. The graduate programs in political science and public administration at Northeastern explore the theory and the practice of politics, public policy, and public management in the United States and other countries. In teaching and research, faculty members in the department address the most important issues in the world, issues of good governance, peace, and political stability. Core areas of inquiry within our department include American studies; democracy, development, and international studies; law and legal issues; public policy; and security studies.

**The Graduate Programs**

As a discipline, political science studies the origins, purposes, structures, and evolution of government, the decision-making processes of political institutions, the means by which governments manage conflicts, and the ways in which public institutions ought to be constituted and function. Political science adopts the scientific, or quantitative, approach when appropriate, yet is also concerned with historical developments, institutional descriptions, political trends, and normative values. In a very real sense, it is a blend of the oldest and newest methodologies and draws on other relevant disciplines to further its research and development.

The research interests of the faculty in political science at Northeastern University are varied and far-reaching. Current scholarly projects include, for example: decision making in terrorist organizations, security and resilience in natural and man-made disasters in urban areas, arms control, Russian foreign policy and the establishment of new democracies in Eastern Europe, the military and Brazil's democracy, political consultants in American politics, the politics of the American Jewish community and its relation to Israel, comparative constitutions and political change, presidential disability in the U.S., mental health policy, and urban and regional economic development.

Courses are offered year round, although the summer curriculum is more limited. Most classes are seminars that allow for a high degree of interaction among faculty and students, and are held after 5:00 p.m. or online (MPA only) to meet the needs of both full and part time students. The PhD core courses will be offered at 4:00.

**Satisfactory Academic Progress**

Satisfactory progress means satisfying requirements in the College of Social Sciences and Humanities Graduate Programs General Regulations and in the regulations specified in the departmental booklet. The College sets minimum standards for all students to fulfill. Departments and programs may have additional requirements that exceed those of the College.

Each PhD student will have an annual review of his/her progress toward the degree.
Receipt of financial support administered by the Graduate Office is contingent on satisfactory academic progress toward the degree and on meeting department-specific guidelines. See the College of Social Sciences and Humanities Graduate Programs General Regulations for further details.

The Doctor of Philosophy Degree

The Doctor of Philosophy degree in Political Science serves an audience of students interested in research and policy careers as well as academic positions. Public affairs and public policy are central to the degree, particularly for students interested in American politics. The PhD in Political Science offers students focused options through four fields – comparative politics, international relations, public policy, and American government and politics – that cover key areas in the discipline of political science. The department and its faculty are committed to providing doctoral students with an excellent educational experience through coursework, comprehensive examinations, and the dissertation.

Admission

Admission is for the fall semester only and the deadline for completed applications and all materials is January 10. The application, application fee, personal statement, unofficial transcripts, writing sample, and three letters of recommendation are all submitted online at www.northeastern.edu/cssh/graduate. Additionally, GRE scores are required. Northeastern University’s GRE institution code is 3682. The personal statement should specify the applicant’s area(s) of research interest. The program does not set a formal minimum requirement for the GRE, but it must be noted that applicants scoring below the 50th percentile will be at a competitive disadvantage. International applicants must submit official documentation verifying English language proficiency.

Degree Requirements

Course Requirements for PhD in Political Science

Students who are enrolled in the doctoral program are required to complete 48 semester hours (16 courses) if they enter with a bachelors degree. Students entering with an approved masters degree from outside of Northeastern are required to complete a minimum of 30 semester hours (10 courses) and those entering with a masters degree from Northeastern’s Department of Political Science are required to complete a minimum of 18 semester hours. All students are required to complete the following eight courses:

- POLS 7200 Perspectives on Social Science Inquiry
- POLS 7201 Methods of Analysis
- POLS 7202 Quantitative Techniques
- POLS 7215 Advanced Quantitative Techniques
  POLS 7204 Seminar in Public Policy
- POLS 7205 Seminar in American Government and Politics
• POLS 7206 Seminar in Comparative Politics
• POLS 7207 Seminar in International Relations

Students then concentrate their coursework in one primary and one secondary field from among the following:

• Comparative Politics
• International Relations
• American Government and Politics
• Public Policy

At least four courses must be taken in the student's primary field and at least two must be taken within the secondary field. With permission, courses directly relevant to the student’s primary field may be taken in other graduate programs within Northeastern University. Under normal circumstances, no more than six semester hours (two courses) may be taken outside the Department. In addition, up to two courses may be taken as “directed study” in particularly specialized areas.

Language Proficiency: Students must demonstrate language proficiency as necessary for successful completion of the dissertation. Language courses do not count as electives.

Comprehensive Examination: Following completion of coursework, doctoral students must pass an examination covering research methodology and two of the four field areas. Students may not take their comprehensive examination until they have completed the required number of semester credit hours depending on their academic background. Students may not take their comprehensives if they have any incomplete grades. Once all coursework has been completed, the student must take the comprehensive exam the following semester.

Comprehensive examinations are offered in the fall and spring semesters as agreed on by the candidate, the Graduate Program Director, and the comprehensive examination committee. During the semester students are taking their comprehensive exam, they will register for Qualifying Examination Preparation (POLS 8960). Enrollment in this course constitutes full-time status. Upon successfully passing the comprehensive exam a doctoral student’s status changes to that of doctoral candidate.

Dissertation Proposal: Students are required to complete a dissertation proposal within 6 months of attaining doctoral candidacy. In the first two semesters of candidacy doctoral candidates must register for Doctoral Dissertation (POLS 9990). Registration in this course constitutes full-time status. A proposal is incomplete until it has been signed by the dissertation’s primary reader, a second reader, and the Graduate Program Director. Candidates who have not completed their proposals within 6 months of candidacy risk their status as “students in good standing” in the doctoral program.
While writing their proposals candidates are encouraged to consult regularly with their primary reader. Students select their dissertation readers in consultation with the Graduate Program Director. The primary reader must be a tenured or tenure-track faculty member in the Political Science Department at Northeastern University. The second reader must be a faculty member in the Political Science Department at Northeastern University. The third reader may be from another department at Northeastern University or from another university.

Once students become doctoral candidates they must submit an annual status report to the Graduate Program Director, their primary reader, and the administrative coordinator. This report will describe the progress they have made toward completing their dissertation in the past year.

**Dissertation:** Following the first two semesters of candidacy doctoral candidates must register for POLS 9996 (Doctoral Dissertation Continuation) each Spring and Fall semester until they successfully defend their theses. If the thesis is defended during the summer a candidate must register for POLS 9996 during the summer term. Registration in this course constitutes full-time status. Candidates must submit and successfully defend the dissertation within five years of attaining PhD degree candidacy.
The Master of Arts Degree

The Master of Arts Program focuses on the core scholarly areas of political science. Students specialize in one of five concentrations: American government and politics, comparative politics, international relations, public policy, or security studies. Courses in the MA program can serve as a foundation for work in a doctoral program or as preparation for a career in government, a nonprofit organization, or the private sector.

Admission

Admission to the MA program is on a rolling basis throughout the academic year. However, applicants seeking departmental financial aid should apply and have all necessary paperwork submitted by February 1. All applicants for the MA should ideally have completed a background in political science or a related field. The application, application fee, personal statement, unofficial transcripts, writing sample, and three letters of recommendation are all submitted online at www.northeastern.edu/cssh/graduate. GRE scores are also required. Northeastern University’s GRE institution code is 3682. While GRE scores are not deterministic, it should be recognized that lower scores can affect one’s chances for admission. International applicants must submit official documentation verifying English language proficiency.

Degree Requirements

Each student must earn 30 semester hours (or ten courses) of academic credit to qualify for the Master of Arts degree in Political Science. All students in the MA program must take:

- POLS 7202 Quantitative Techniques

Students in the MA program who plan to pursue a doctorate degree are also encouraged to take:

- POLS 7200 Perspectives on Social Science Inquiry
- POLS 7201 Methods of Analysis

Students also must take a minimum of 12 semester hours (four courses) in one of the five concentration areas described below, as well as 3 semester hours (one course) outside their concentration area. The 12 remaining semester hours may be taken as electives.

One elective option is to pursue a thesis worth six semester hour credits with the prior approval of the graduate program. Students pursuing this option should form a thesis committee and receive department approval prior to the start of the thesis. With permission, up to six semester hours (two courses) directly relevant to the student’s concentration may be taken in other graduate programs within Northeastern University. In addition, up to two courses may be taken as “directed study” in particularly specialized areas. All directed studies
are subject to the prior approval of the graduate program and college. Generally, at least 24 semester hours of credit must be taken on-campus at Northeastern University.

**MA Concentrations**

**American Government and Politics**
The field of American government and politics covers the structure of the American system of governance, its institutions, processes for representation, and the broad dynamics of public policymaking. Students will explore the formal institutions of government, as well as the historical and philosophical foundations of the constitutional system, the societal factors that have shaped policy making, and the normative dimensions of democratic representation and effective government.

- Complete Seminar in American Government and Politics (POLS 7205)
- Complete three additional courses in American government and politics
- Complete at least one course in comparative politics, international relations, or political thought

**Comparative Politics**
Comparative politics focuses upon politics within and across nations. It examines and compares political structures and institutions, political culture development and democratization, as well as many of the challenging issues facing states today. Students will explore how different kinds of political systems function and how to assess their impact on public policy and normative questions. They study the impact of culture and international politics upon political processes within nations; and they study the theory and methods for comparing nations. Students have the opportunity to focus on specific areas of the world as well as to develop a broad understanding of all types of political systems.

- Complete Seminar in Comparative Politics (POLS 7206)
- Complete three additional courses in comparative politics
- Complete at least one course in American government and politics, public policy, or political thought

**International Relations**
The field of international relations is concerned both with relations that occur across national boundaries and with the patterns or structures according to which such relations take place. More specifically, the field examines the actors, issues, and actions that have impacts beyond national boundaries. As an academic discipline, the field attempts to define these phenomena, explain the historical and present patterns of their occurrence, and illuminate the contexts in which certain patterns are likely to be experienced. As such, international relations looks not just to the actors and the systems within which their interactions take place, but it also attempts to ascertain how the particular systems evolved, why particular actors at one time or another have somehow dominated international affairs, and how in their interactions various actors have contributed to shaping issues and patterns in international affairs.
• Complete Seminar in International Relations (POLS 7207)
• Complete three additional courses in international relations
• Complete at least one course in American government and politics, public policy, or political thought

Public Policy
The field of public policy focuses on the various strategies and actions that governments adopt to achieve broadly accepted goals. The public policy process often is conceptualized as a cycle of activities that include problem definition, agenda setting, enactment, implementation, and evaluation. Advanced study of public policy draws on perspectives and methods that are rooted in not only political science, but also law, history, economics, and other disciplines to allow for a comprehensive understanding of policy development as well as outcomes. Based equally on social scientific tools and an appreciation of politics, it equips the policy analyst with the ability to provide advice to public officials and advocates so that informed decisions can be made about public policy alternatives. While the focus of this field is on policymaking in the United States, a cross-national and international perspective is also included. Courses in this field cover the policymaking process, policy analysis, and substantive policy areas.

• Complete Seminar in Public Policy (POLS 7204)
• Complete three other courses whose primary focus is public policy
• Complete at least one course in international relations, comparative politics, or political thought

Security Studies
Security studies addresses the causes of war and peace within a nation state or the international system. Security studies is closely tied to the study of government, since security is a key public good that governments seek to provide for their citizens. Security failures are often the result of government failures to maintain a stable domestic environment or to address international challenges. International organizations also play an important role in establishing security, through conflict resolution, arms control, and deployment of various resources. Students at Northeastern further benefit from an innovative perspective on security that forms the basis of the new MS in Security and Resilience Studies at Northeastern. This program seeks to strengthen societal and infrastructure resilience to natural and manmade disasters. Students concentrating in Security Studies:

• Complete Seminar in International Relations (POLS 7207)
• Complete Security and Resilience Policy (POLS 7341)
• Complete two approved courses (from a specialized list)
The Master of Science Degree

The Master of Science in Security and Resilience Studies Program

Security and Resilience Studies is an emerging field of inquiry that focuses on how global, national, and subnational actors manage a range of chronic transnational challenges that can be destabilizing to societies such as terrorism, organized crime, weapons proliferation, cyber attacks, bio-terrorism, climate change and catastrophic disasters, migration, and radicalization. It explores how strategic doctrines, organization processes, bureaucratic behaviors and security tools and tactics are adapting to these challenges by placing greater emphasis on resilience. Resilience is a concept rooted in multiple disciplines that is gaining widespread currency at the community, societal, and global levels given the prevalence of man-made and naturally-occurring threats that do not lend themselves to preventive and protective measures. Strategies for dealing with these threats emphasize measures that mitigate, respond to, recover from, and adapt to risk so as to safeguard essential functions and societal values. Many of these measures involve the role of technologies, system design, and engineering as well as policy, regulatory, and governance issues. Students at Northeastern who enroll in the MS in Security and Resilience Studies will be prepared to inform and support domestic and international efforts to deal with the major source of turbulence in 21st Century.

Admission

Admission is for the fall semester only and the deadline for completed applications and all materials is May 1 for international students and August 1 for domestic students.

The application, application fee, unofficial transcript(s), personal statement, resume, and three letters of recommendation are all submitted online at www.northeastern.edu/cssh/graduate/admissions. The personal statement should explain the applicant’s career interests and reason(s) for applying. Aptitude scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) are optional; though strongly recommended. Students with weak academic records, or fewer than 3 years of experience in this field, should consider submitting GRE scores. International applicants must submit official documentation verifying English language proficiency.

Degree Requirements

Each student must earn 30 semester hours (ten courses) of academic credit to qualify for the Master of Science degree. Students must have attained an overall grade point average of 3.000 as well as a grade point average of 3.000 in the five core courses. A total of six semester hours (two courses) may be repeated in order to satisfy degree requirements.
Curriculum

The curriculum includes five core courses, four electives, and a capstone.

• POLS 7341 Security and Resilience Policy
• POLS 7342 Security and Resilience Policy Lab
• POLS 7359 International Security
• POLS 7704 Critical Infrastructure Resilience
• POLS 7715 Critical Issues in Security Studies
• Four specialization courses in the range POLS 5100 through POLS 7999
• POLS 7306 Capstone in Public Policy and Administration

Electives: All students must take 12 semester hours drawn from a list of approved offerings in the student’s chosen specialization area.

MS Specializations

Administration, Management, and Policy
• POLS 7202 Quantitative Techniques
• POLS 7203 Techniques of Policy Analysis
• POLS 7301 Public Personnel Administration
• POLS 7302 Organizational Theory and Management
• POLS 7303 Public Budgeting
• POLS 7304 Economic Analysis and Institutions
• POLS 7305 Institutional Leadership and the Public Manager

Counter Terrorism and Conflict Studies
• CRIM 7242 Terrorism and International Crime
• SOC 7231 Sociology of Violence
• POLS 7343 Counterterrorism
• POLS 7344 Hard Power, Soft Power, and Smart Power (new course)
• POLS 7360 Ethnic Political Conflict
• POLS 7361 U.S. National Security Policy
• POLS 7363 Politics of Revolution and Change
• POLS 7364 Terrorism, Violence, and Politics
• POLS 7365 Totalitarian and Oppressive Government
• POLS 7366 Genocide in a Comparative Perspective
• POLS 7368 Crisis Politics
The Master of Public Administration Degree

Founded in 1969, the Master of Public Administration (MPA) Program at Northeastern integrates theoretical foundations with practical skills in the public and non-profit sectors. The MPA Program is closely affiliated and supported by faculty and coursework with the Department of Political Science and the School of Public Policy and Urban Affairs. The Program is accredited by the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA), which is the membership organization of graduate education programs in public policy, public affairs, public administration, and public and non-profit management. As the recognized accreditor of master’s degree programs in these fields, the accreditation ensures excellence in education and training for public service and promotes the ideal of public service.

The mission of the MPA Program at Northeastern University is:

To serve the needs of the public affairs community, including students, working professionals, faculty, and researchers, by providing a practice-oriented and research-based graduate educational experience. The faculty pledge the best instruction available in a set of courses designed to integrate theoretical foundations with practical skills. Our MPA Program will prepare students to be effective in a dynamic and increasingly diverse professional environment. We also commit ourselves to assisting students in every possible way to secure internships, post-graduate employment, and overall career advancement. Students, in turn, are expected to meet high levels of academic excellence combined with ethical and professional integrity. Committed to the ideals of public service and advancing the public interest, we seek students who share the same enthusiasm.

The MPA Program works with students to help develop and sharpen their skills and capacities for a management and leadership career in public service in a dynamic and increasingly diverse professional environment. The MPA degree provides a practice-oriented and research-based graduate educational experience that serves the needs of the public affairs community. With courses offered on-campus and online, students can take courses on either a full-time or part-time basis between these platforms.
Admission

Admission to the MPA Program is on a rolling basis throughout the academic year, although applicants for fall admission who are seeking financial aid should apply by February 1. The application, application fee, unofficial transcript(s), personal statement, resume, and three letters of recommendation are all submitted online at www.northeastern.edu/cssh/graduate. The personal statement should explain the applicant’s career interests and reason(s) for applying. Aptitude scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) are optional; however, students with weak academic records should consider submitting GRE scores. International applicants must submit official documentation verifying English language proficiency.

For domestic students, applications must be submitted by August 1 for the fall semester; December 1 for the spring semester; April 1 for the summer 1 semester; and June 1 for the summer 2 semester. Deadlines for international students are three months prior to allow sufficient time to arrange for visas.

Degree Requirements

Each student must earn 42 semester hours (fourteen courses) of academic credit to qualify for the Master of Public Administration degree. Students must have attained an overall grade point average of 3.000 as well as a grade point average of 3.000 in the eight core courses. A total of six semester hours (two courses) may be repeated in order to satisfy degree requirements. Up to nine semester hours of graduate level credits from other accredited institutions can be transferred into the MPA Program. A petition must be submitted to the Director of the MPA Program for transfer of these credits.

Curriculum

The curriculum includes eight core courses and six electives. Core courses:

- POLS 7202  Quantitative Techniques
- POLS 7203  Techniques of Policy Analysis
- POLS 7301  Public Personnel Administration
- POLS 7302  Organizational Theory and Management
- POLS 7303  Public Budgeting and Financial Management
- POLS 7304  Economic Institutions and Analysis
- POLS 7305  Institutional Leadership and the Public Manager
- POLS 7306  Capstone Seminar in Public Policy and Public Management

Electives: All students must take 18 semester hours drawn from a list of approved offerings covering a range of topic and focus areas, including (for example): state and local government; economic development; non-profit management; social welfare; health care; public finance; environmental management; education; security and resilience; and urban government.
**Internship**: All students without prior full-time work experience will be classified as “pre-service students” and will be required to take POLS 7407 (3 sh) as one of their electives. An internship is composed of at least 300 hours of work over a semester and concludes with a written analysis of the internship experience and work performed, with a specific topic approved by the supervising faculty member. A petition with appropriate approvals is required for all internships.

**MPA Faculty and Instructors**

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Graduate Certificate in Data Science

The Data Science Graduate Certificate will launch in Spring 2015. Please refer to www.northeastern.edu/policyschool/education/graduate-certificates for more information about this new program.

Course Listing

Please refer to www.northeastern.edu/registrar for course descriptions and relevant prerequisites.
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