

What can I do with a major in...

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

A degree in Public Policy and Administration prepares students for public service in a global environment. The program emphasizes creative problem-solving, leadership and management in complex urban areas, and provides students with the tools and skills to make a difference in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors.

INDUSTRIES:

Government (Local, State, and Federal), Education, Healthcare, Law, Social Services, Private

Salary

\$40,805
ENTRY LEVEL

\$71,490
MEDIAN LEVEL



Common Job Titles

Nonprofit Executive Director
Human Resources Director
City Planner/Manager
Community Development Planner
Housing Development Specialist
Procurement Specialist
Project Administrator
Housing Grant Analyst
Budget Analyst
Planning Director
Regional Planner
Urban Design Consultant
Emergency Planner

Knowledge

Law and Government
Administration and Management
Customer and Personal Service
Communications and Media
Transportation
Geography
Design
Ethics

Skills

Active Learning and Listening
Public Speaking
Critical Thinking
Reading Comprehension
Writing and Speaking
Complex Problem Solving
Learning Strategies
Time Management
Operations Analysis
Ethical Judgement and
Decision Making

Tools

Notebook computers
Personal digital assistant
Global positioning system GPS
Personal computers
Geographic Info Systems (GIS)
Personal computers
Cloud-based file sharing
Software modeling
Artificial intelligence
Data analytics



Popular Employers

Government

United Nations

MSNBC

Federal Government

CNN

Whole Foods

Cleveland Clinic

Florida Department
of Education

Miami-Dade County

City of Miami Beach

United States

Department of

Homeland Security

Broward County

Sheriff's Office

CISCO

Baptist Health
Systems

The United Way

City Year

Federal Bureau of
Investigations

Quicken Loans

Google

Related Occupations

Geospatial Information Scientists and Technologists

Remote Sensing Scientists and Technologists

City and Regional Planning Aides

Transportation Planners

Program Administrators

Geographers

Urban Planners

City Clerks

Budget Analysts

Nonprofit Directors

Social Workers



Advice from professionals is great

Make Connections. It's important for public administration majors to network and build relationships when attending professional events. Professional associations allows for networking, mentoring, learning the industry trends and finding career or internship opportunities. Professional associations within public administration include:

Professional Associations

International City/County Management Association (ICMA)

Conference of Minority Public Administrators (COMPA)

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)

Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP)

The Alliance for Nonprofit Management

The National Conference of Minority Public Administrators

