

# PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION - BS

The Bachelor of Science in Public Service and Administration (BS-PSAA) is an interdisciplinary degree designed to ensure students develop the professional skills necessary for effective leadership in the public and nonprofit sectors.

## Program Requirements

### First Year

		Semester Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
BUSH 141	Bush Undergraduate Success Hub	3
ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric <sup>1</sup>	3
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>	3
POLS 206	American National Government <sup>1</sup>	3
General elective <sup>2</sup>		3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

### Spring

MATH 142	Business Calculus <sup>1</sup>	3
POLS 207	State and Local Government <sup>1</sup>	3
Creative arts ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts</a> )		3
Life and physical sciences ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences</a> )		3
General elective <sup>2</sup>		3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

### Second Year

<b>Fall</b>		
ECON 202	Principles of Economics <sup>1</sup>	3
STAT 201	Elementary Statistical Inference <sup>1</sup>	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 210	Technical and Professional Writing	
COMM 203	Public Speaking	
COMM 205	Communication for Technical Professions	
COMM 243	Argumentation and Debate	
Language, philosophy and culture ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture</a> )		3
Humanities directed elective ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/</a> )		3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

### Spring

ECON 203	Principles of Economics	3
PSAA 210	Integrated Solutions to Public Service Problems <sup>1</sup>	3
American history ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history</a> )		3

Humanities directed elective ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/</a> )	3
General elective <sup>2</sup>	3

**Semester Credit Hours 15**

### Third Year

#### Fall

PSAA 340/	Public Administration <sup>1</sup>	3
POLS 340		
PSAA 350	Economics of Public Policy <sup>1</sup>	3
American history ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history</a> )		3
Life and physical sciences ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences</a> )		3
Humanities directed elective ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/government-public-service/</a> )		3

**Semester Credit Hours 15**

#### Spring

PSAA 360	The Nonprofit Sector <sup>1</sup>	3
Life and physical sciences ( <a href="https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences">https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences</a> )		3
Area elective <sup>4</sup>		3
Directed elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Methods and Science elective <sup>3</sup>		3

**Semester Credit Hours 15**

### Fourth Year

#### Fall

PSAA 430	Leading and Managing Public Service Organizations <sup>1</sup>	3
PSAA 450	Using Data to Make a Difference <sup>1</sup>	3
Area elective <sup>4</sup>		3
Directed elective <sup>5</sup>		3
General elective <sup>2</sup>		3

**Semester Credit Hours 15**

#### Spring

PSAA 440	Public Policies and Policymaking <sup>1</sup>	3
Area elective <sup>4</sup>		3
Directed elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Methods and Science elective <sup>3</sup>		3
General elective <sup>2</sup>		3

**Semester Credit Hours 15**

**Total Semester Credit Hours 120**

<sup>1</sup> Must make a grade of C or better.

<sup>2</sup> Select from any 100-499 course not used elsewhere. Only 14 hours of KINE 199; AERS 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/aers/>); MLSC 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mlsc/>); NVSC 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/nvsc/>); SOMS 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soms/>) may be used toward General Electives.

<sup>3</sup> Select from AGCJ 411; ANTH 448; ANTH 458; BUSN 203; COMM 303; JOUR 305; COMM 308; ECMT 461; ECMT 463; ECMT 475; ECON 440;

ECON 441; ECON 470; EPSY 435; GEOG 390; MARS 325; OCNG 470;  
PBSI 245; POLS 308; SCMT 305; SOCI 220; SOCI 229; SOCI 320;  
SOCI 420; STAT 303; STAT 312

<sup>4</sup> Select from a focused course cluster: Public & NP Management; Policy Analysis; National Defense and Homeland Security/Emergency Management; or any combination of courses from the list.

<sup>5</sup> Select from PSAA 205, PSAA 301, PSAA 302, PSAA 403, PSAA 404, PSAA 405.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
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#### Public & NP Management

PSAA 344	Public Communication and Stakeholder Engagement	3
PSAA 364	Fundraising and Philanthropy	3
PSAA 441	Program Assessment and Evaluation	3
PSAA 442	Cross#Sector Collaboration	3
PSAA 443	Managing Workplace Diversity in Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3

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#### Policy Analysis

PSAA 352	Immigration Policy	3
PSAA 354	Education Policy	3
PSAA 452	Energy Policy	3
PSAA 453	Environmental Policy	3

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#### National Defense and Homeland Security/ Emergency Management

PSAA 272	Introduction to National Defense and Homeland Security	3
PSAA 372	Emergency Management Enterprise - Local, State and Federal	3
PSAA 472	Terrorist Threat to the Nation	3