



**LOS ANGELES PACIFIC**  
UNIVERSITY



## MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree program is designed to prepare individuals for leadership opportunities in the field of public governance and, increasingly, in non-governmental organizations and the nonprofit sector. The MPA student will apply professional knowledge, practical skills, and a Christian worldview to graduate level topics including organizational leadership, public policy development and evaluation, political strategy for problem solving, finance for decision making, stakeholder engagement with diverse populations, and values-based ethics. Students are equipped to pursue administrative careers in public service including various levels of government, law enforcement, non-profit organizations, and public works.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students are equipped to pursue in-demand careers in the field of public administration in both government and non-governmental organizations, including nonprofit organizations. Potential employers include local, county, or state government; non-governmental organizations; nonprofit organizations; or public works agencies.

### Highlights

- A focus on the knowledge and skills for effective leadership in a variety of organizational settings
- A practical blend of theory and real-world application of relevant principles
- Evaluation of decision-making processes using biblical concepts and values-based ethics
- Graduates leave prepared for leadership careers in multiple fields, or to continue with doctoral studies

### At A Glance

#### Program Credits

Core Courses: **36**

Total Credits to Graduate: **36**

#### Cost Per Credit:

**\$660** (Estimated base cost is \$23,760)

# COURSEWORK

This program features 12 courses at three credits each to total 36 credits. Each course meets for eight weeks. The graduate student typically takes one course at a time completing two courses each semester. For more information, please visit: [lapu.edu/programs/public-admin/program-details/](http://lapu.edu/programs/public-admin/program-details/)



In order to earn the MPA degree, graduate students must complete the following required courses while achieving a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 3.0:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Major Core Requirements</b> 36 credits</p>	<b>ORGS 510</b> Leadership and Management in Public Administration	3
	<b>ORGS 540</b> Conflict Resolution and Labor Negotiations	3
	<b>ORGS 610</b> Organizational Behavior and Development	3
	<b>PUBA 500</b> History and Theory of Public Administration	3
	<b>PUBA 520</b> Public Finance and Budgeting	3
	<b>PUBA 530</b> Public Personnel Management	3
	<b>PUBA 550</b> Public Policy Analysis	3
	<b>PUBA 560</b> Legal and Ethical Issues	3
	<b>PUBA 570</b> Political Economy	3
	<b>PUBA 590</b> Professional Communication in Public Administration	3
	<b>PUBA 600</b> Public Administration Program Evaluation	3
	<b>PUBA 690</b> MPA Capstone	3

There are no prerequisite requirements for the program

<b>Total</b>	<b>36 credits</b>
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