

**FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES** 

## **PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)**

The Master of Public Administration is a Joint Master's Program (JMP) offered by The University of Winnipeg and the University of Manitoba. Students in the program acquire in-depth knowledge of both the theory and the practice of government organizations, including knowledge of political, economic, social, and other contexts in which they operate.

MPA students have the opportunity to gain hands-on work experience through the Cooperative Education option in the program.

The objective of the joint MPA program is to provide students — both full- and part-time — with a sound knowledge of public administration. The approach is interdisciplinary, although courses in Political Science (at UWinnipeg) and Political Studies (at UManitoba) are emphasized.

The core program exposes all students to a common set of courses designed to encourage both innovative and integrative perspectives. There are also opportunities to take a range of policy courses in the areas of health care, public finance, aboriginal government, and organizational change.

Students complete 36 credits of course work in the program and two work terms of 13 weeks each. The maximum time to complete the MPA Program for part-time students is six years.

## **SAMPLE CAREERS**

Graduates may find employment in local, provincial, or federal government offices. They may also find work in the fields of international law and organization, teaching, journalism, public relations, and public administration. They are valued as management consultants in public opinion research or in law enforcement services, labour unions, political parties and non-

Updated December 2024 1 UWINNIPEG.CA

**MPA CAPSTONE SEMINAR** - Students pursue individual supervised projects that allow them to integrate theory and practice in an original topic in public administration and/or public policy, drawing on their skills and knowledge gained throughout the program. These projects will be presented in a semester-end colloquium.

## **MORE SAMPLE COURSES**

- Public Policy Process & Issues
- Principles of Public Finance
- An Indigenous Approach to Program Evaluation
- Governance & Administration

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The joint MPA Program is a multi-disciplinary program admitting students with undergraduate work from a