I. CORE REQUIREMENTS

☐ PLCY 210 or PLCY 210H: Policy Innovation and Analysis

☐ PLCY 220 or PLCY 220H: The Politics of Public Policy

☐ Economic Analysis and Public Policy (Choose 1 course from this list):
  [ ] PLCY 310: Microeconomic Foundations of Public Policy
  [ ] ECON 410: Intermediate Theory: Price and Distribution
    (for ECON and PLCY double-majors)
  [ ] ECON 101 is a prerequisite for ECON 310 and ECON 410
  [ ] MATH 231 is prerequisite for ECON 410

☐ PLCY 340 or PLCY 340H: Justice in Public Policy

☐ PLCY 460: Quantitative Analysis for Public Policy

☐ PLCY 581: Research Design for Public Policy
  [ ] PLCY 460 is a pre- or co-requisite

☐ Advanced Policy Projects (Choose either Honors Thesis or Senior Capstone)
  [ ] PLCY 691H and PLCY 692H: Honors in Public Policy; Application required
    [ ] PLCY 691H: Honors in Public Policy I (3.3 overall GPA and 3.5 PLCY GPA)
    [ ] PLCY 460 is a prerequisite
    [ ] PLCY 581 is a prerequisite
    * Can count toward the elective requirement
  [ ] PLCY 692H: Honors in Public Policy II
    [ ] PLCY 691H is a prerequisite:

OR
  [ ] PLCY 698: Senior Capstone in Public Policy (Non-honors Track)
    [ ] PLCY 460 is a prerequisite
    [ ] PLCY 581 is a pre- or co-requisite

II. ELECTIVES AND POLICY FIELD CONCENTRATION (A minimum of 6 credit hours are required)

A minimum of six credit hours of approved elective courses are required. Three credit hours may be for a 100-level or 200-level PLCY course. The remaining three credit hours must be at the 300-level or above. Please see list of approved electives in the UNC Catalog. If a course that you would like to take as an elective is not indicated in the list, please complete the elective course approval form. Students who take at least 9 credit hours in specific field area may elect for a concentration. Suggested concentrations and courses are described in the UNC Course Catalog.

[ ] (required elective) _______________________________________________________

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[ ] (optional elective) _______________________________________________________
Public Policy Major Diagram

(Suggested Order to Complete Required Core Courses and Elective Credit Hours)

- Year(s) 1 or 2
  - (Prerequisite) ‡
    - ECON 101
  - (Recommended)
    - MATH 152 or 231†
  - (Recommended)
    - FYS in Public Policy
  - (Optional)
    - Making Public Policy
      - PLCY 101 / 101H¶
      - Or
      - Global Policy
      - PLCY 110 / 110H¶

- Year(s) 2 or 3
  - (Required)
    - Policy Innovation and Analysis
      - PLCY 210 / 210H
  - (Required)
    - Politics of Public Policy
      - PLCY 220 / 220H¶
  - (Required)
    - Justice in Public Policy
      - PLCY 340 / 340H¶
  - (Required)
    - Quantitative Analysis
      - PLCY 460¶
      - Co- or Pre-requisite for
      - 581

- Year(s) 3 or 4
  - (Required)
    - Research Design
      - PLCY 581¶
    - Pre-requisite for
      - 691H; Co-requisite for
      - 698
  - (Required) ‡‡
    - Microeconomics
      - PLCY 310 or
      - ECON 410
  - (Required) **
    - Elective 1
  - (Required)
    - Elective 2
      - 300 level or higher

- Year 4
  - (Optional)
    - Honors Thesis
      - PLCY 691H¶
  - (Required)
    - Capstone
      - PLCY 698¶
    - OR
      - Honors Thesis
      - PLCY 692H
  - (Optional) **
    - Elective 3
      - 300 level or higher

† MATH 152 or 231 or equivalent is a prerequisite for ECON 410.
‡ ECON 101 is a prerequisite for PLCY 310 and ECON 410.
** 3 credit hours may be for a 100- or 200-level PLCY course.
*** Students who take at least nine credit hours in a specific policy field area may elect a concentration.
¶ Course satisfies an IDEAs in Action requirement. Visit catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/ideas-in-action/ for specific information on each requirement.

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