



MPP '25 Information Session



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MPP Overview



- Received approval from the UNC Board of Governors in July 2021, the **inaugural MPP in the UNC System**
- Class of 2023 receive degrees in August
- Class of 2024 (seniors) started coursework this spring
- Class of 2025 applies summer/fall 2023
- Prerequisites: ECON 101, PLCY 210, PLCY 460, PLCY 581
 - Consider PLCY 310



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The MPP requires 48 credits



12 credits (4 courses) can double count for BA and MPP

- (8) core MPP courses (25 credits, inclusive of a *Maymester* seminar & individual project experience)
- (3) Track courses
 - Track A—Policy Design & Innovation (9 credits).
 - Track B—Policy Design & Impact/Impact Evaluation (9 credits)
- (1) communications (strategic or visual) course (3 credits)
- (1) management/leadership course (3 credits)
- (2) elective/field courses* (6 credits) (400+; 700+)
- (2) MPP professional development seminars (1 credit each)



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UNC MPP tuition rates vs. peer public & private 2-year MPP degree

University	Resident Tuition	Non-Resident Tuition
UNC-CH (MPP)	\$19,052	\$37,344
UNC-CH MPA	\$23,104	\$59,688
William and Mary (MPP)	\$33,236	\$69,956
UC Berkeley (MPP)	\$34,170	\$47,374
University of Texas (Master of Public Affairs)	\$42,664	\$65,600
University of Maryland (MPP)	\$43,438	\$91,822
UVA (MPP)	\$54,472	\$102,064
University of Michigan (MPP)	\$60,248	\$103,216
Duke University (MPP)	NA	\$99,560
Harvard University (MPP)	NA	\$108,704
Georgetown University (MPP)	NA	\$109,344

Tuition



- MPP tuition details available at cashier.unc.edu → tuition & fees → Graduate
- FAFSA to be considered for financial aid



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MPP Application Components



- General applicant information
- UNC unofficial transcript (instructions: [registrar.unc.edu](https://registrar.unc.edu/transcripts) → transcripts)
- Personal Statement
- Resume
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
 - At least one faculty member (preferably PLCY)
 - Another faculty member or former supervisor



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MPP Application Timeline



- Applications open for MPP 2025 admission: **Monday May 15, 2023**
- Early admit deadline: **June 15, 2023**
- Early decisions released: **July 14, 2023**
- Final application deadline: **September 22, 2023**
- Final decisions released: **October 20, 2023**



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Planning for Fall 2023



- POLY majors: POLY 691H/692H or 698
- Complete other major/minor requirements and MPP prerequisites
- 400+ MPP field elective
- Aim to take 9-12 MPP credits in spring 2024



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MPP Internship



- Required internship
 - 1st summer full-time (highly recommended)
 - Academic year part-time for both semesters
 - 2nd summer full-time
- What constitutes an appropriate internship for the MPP?



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MPP Individual Project (PLCY 992)



- Individual project between MPP student and a real-world client
- Related to your policy field as much as possible
- Examples of MPP 2023 project partners:
 - NC Office of Strategic Partnerships
 - Environmental Defense Fund
 - Orange County Living Wage



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Questions?



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