

# Master of Public Policy/ Juris Doctorate

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Students can earn both the MPP and JD in a four-year period. Individuals considering a career in policymaking in government, nonprofits, and in the private sector that require professional training in both legal and policy analysis are encouraged to apply.

Students may count up to nine credit hours of College of Law class work toward fulfilling the 40 credit-hour requirement of the MPP degree, and may count up to twelve credit hours of MPP class work toward fulfilling the 88 credit-hour requirement of the JD degree. Upon completion of all requirements of both programs, students earn two separate degrees, a JD degree awarded by the College of Law and a MPP degree awarded by the College of Social and Behavioral Science.

The U of U MPP program is part of the Western Region Graduate Program (WRGP). Through WRGP, residents of Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming are eligible to enroll in the U of U MPP and pay resident tuition rates for MPP courses. Students need not meet financial aid criteria.

## MPP Core Courses

**PADMN 6320: Public Policy Theories and Applications**  
**PUBPL 6290: Applied Quantitative Methods**  
**PADMN 6323: Policy Analysis**  
**PUBPL 6563: Program and Policy Evaluation**  
**PUBPL 6560: Survey Research Methods**  
**ECON 6300: Public Finance**  
**ECON 6380: Law and Economics**  
**PUBPL 6900: Public Policy Research**  
**PUBPL 6960: Applied Capstone Prep**  
**PUBPL 6950: Applied Policy Project**  
**STAT 6003: Survey of Stat Packages**

**MPP Electives: 9 credit hours**

## JD Core Courses

**LAW 6000: Intro to Law**  
**LAW 6040: Civil Procedure**  
**LAW 6080: Contracts**  
**LAW 6100: Criminal Law**  
**LAW 6140: Torts**  
**LAW 6180: Legal Methods**  
**LAW 6190: Legal Research**  
**LAW 6060: Constitutional Law I**  
**LAW 6120: Property**  
**LAW 7410: Constitutional Law II**  
**LAW 7900: Legal Professions**  
**LAW 7800: Seminar**  
**LAW Skills Course**

**JD Electives: 38 Credit Hours**

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