

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION - EXECUTIVE (DISTANCE LEARNING FORMAT)

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Program Description

The Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA) is open to individuals with substantial experience and managerial responsibility in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors (including NGOs). The typical candidate has at least five years of management experience and holds a position beyond that of basic supervisor. The program is designed for mid-career managers who require updated information and skills, who anticipate promotion to a leadership position, or who plan to transition to the public or nonprofit sectors. Current students are drawn from public sector organizations of all types including government ministries and NGOs; federal, regional, state, and local domestic agencies; and a variety of nonprofit and private organizations. The 30-credit program may be completed in 20 months of part-time study (2 courses per term) or in as few as 10 months of full-time study (4-5 courses per term).

The degree consists of 10 courses, including three required courses: PAI 895 Managerial Leadership, PAI 897 Fundamentals of Policy Analysis, and PAI 996 Master's Project Course. Four of the additional seven elective courses may be selected from other SU online education offerings, with permission, from another college or school of the University.

Admission

Applicants must have 5 or more years of mid-level professional experience, including management responsibilities that demonstrate increasing levels of supervision of projects and personnel. International students must provide evidence of English proficiency. A score of at least 100 is required on the internet based TOEFL test. GRE not required.

Degree Awarded: Master in Public Administration

Total Credits Required: 30 credits

Transfer Credit

With permission, students may transfer up to 6 credits of equivalent graduate level coursework.

Part-time Study

Students may complete the program on a part-time basis as long as the degree is completed within seven years as stipulated by Syracuse University policy.

Satisfactory Progress

Students must maintain at least a 3.0 average GPA.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify and define key public administration concepts
2. Apply policy analytic skills

3. Explain and assess leadership and managerial theories, skills, and competencies
4. Discuss their role and potential as public administrators
5. Identify and analyze the uniquely public features of managerial and/or policy problems

General Requirements

The degree consists of ten 3-credit courses, including three required courses (see below) and seven electives. The 30-credit program may be completed in as few as 10 months of full-time study or in a variety of part-time formats, over 20 months or more.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
PAI 895	Managerial Leadership	1-3
PAI 897	Fundamentals of Policy Analysis	3
PAI 996	Master's Project Course	3

Elective Courses

- 3 of the 7 electives must be selected from Public Administration and International Affairs (PAIA) course offerings.
- 4 of the additional electives may be, with permission from the graduate director, from another college or school of the University that offer similar online courses.