M.A./M.P.A DUAL DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Overview

The Dual MPA/MAIA degree requires a total of 60 credits. Students are able to count 9 credits of coursework toward both programs, allowing them to complete the dual degree in 2.5 years.

Students in the MAIA/MPA Dual Degree program must be admitted to both the MAIA and MPA programs.

MAIA Admissions

The Master of Arts in International Administration (MAIA) program accepts rolling admissions. Interested students may apply to the program at any time.

- **Online Application**
  - Please complete the online application by clicking here (https://www.applyweb.com/miamigrd/).
- **Application Fee**
  - An $85.00 non-refundable application fee is paid online upon submission of the application.
- **Statement of Purpose**
  - The statement of purpose is the most important element of your application packet. This letter needs to reflect who you are, your goals and why you would be an asset to the MAIA program. It is very important to ensure it is grammatically correct and as detailed as possible. The statement of purpose should be no more than two pages in length. Please review before you submit.
  
  Below is a link to help you get started:
  
  OWL Statement of Purpose Guidelines (https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html).

- **Letters of Recommendation**
  - Three letters of recommendation must be provided. One letter should be from a faculty member. Two letters should be from an employer, colleague, or other professional source.
- **Official Transcripts**
  - You must provide official transcripts from each post-secondary institution attended. Official transcripts in languages other than English must also be submitted with a certified English translation.
- **Resume**
  - Please provide a copy of your resume if it is available.
- **Admissions Interview**
  - The admissions interview may be conducted in person, over the phone, or via video conference.
- **Grade Point Average (GPA)**
  - A minimum overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- **Official TOEFL (or IELTS) Score**
  - All international students are required to take this exam in order to demonstrate sufficient English competency. The "Test Of English As A Foreign Language (TOEFL)" exam is offered as a paper-based test (PBT) or an internet-based test (IBT). A score of 550 is required for the PBT; a score of 80 is required for the IBT.
  - Students may also take the "International English Language Testing System (IELTS)" exam to demonstrate sufficient competency in English. A score of 6.5 or higher is required.
  - All international students must provide a copy of their results on either exam.
  - International students from countries whose primary language is English are not required to take this exam.

MPA Admission Requirements

- In cooperation with the College of Arts and Science, the Department of Political Science, the Graduate Program will review applicant files and make admissions decisions.

Requirements for Admission Include:
M.A./M.P.A Dual Degree in International Administration and Public Administration

- Completion of an application
- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- A cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0. (In order to limit class size for maximum teacher-student exchange, the MPP program will give preference to students with above average GRE scores, excellent letters of recommendation, and superior writing skills).
- GRE minimum combined score (verbal and quantitative) set by the Graduate School. The Graduate School has occasionally provided waivers for exceptional cases.
- Two letters of recommendation

Curriculum Requirements

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Select one from the following courses

- IGS 644 Energy Security and Environmental Sustainability
- IGS 645 Human Security: Prevention Mitigation
- IGS 646 Civil Security Preparedness and Management
- IGS 647 Disasters and Humanitarian Assistance

| **MPA REQUIREMENTS** |                                             |              |
| **MPA Core Courses** |                                             |              |
| POL 601 | Budget and Financial Management and Administration          | 3            |
| POL 606 | Organizational Dynamics and Management                      | 3            |
| POL 610 | Statistics for Politics and Public Administration           | 3            |
| POL 622 | Introduction to Graduate Public Administration              | 3            |
| POL 646 | Public Policy Process and Implementation                    | 3            |
| POL 647 | Human Resource Management in Public Service                 | 3            |
| POL 651 | Productivity in the Public and Non-Profit Sectors            | 3            |
| POL 671 | Government and Business                                     | 3            |

**MPA Specialized Courses (9 of these credits are in fulfillment of both degrees)**

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Students select an additional four courses from those listed below, with at least one course from each of the subfields:

**Organizational Management and Leadership:**
- POL 619 Introduction to Game Theory for Political Science
- POL 624 Non-Profit Organizations: Law, Policy, and Management
- POL 652 Total Quality Public Service Management: Achieving High Performance Government
- POL 654 Politics and Ethics
- POL 696 Special Topics in Public Administration, Policy, and Law

**Topic: Organizational Security Management**
- POL 697 Special Topics in International Relations

**Topic: Ending War and Building Peace**

**Equity, Ethics, and Legal Issues in Public Administration**
- POL 626 Administrative Law
- POL 657 Ethical and Managerial Issues in Government, Business, and Non-Profit Organizations
Sample Plan of Study

Students may complete the requirements for the MAIA and MPA degrees consecutively or in succession.

Applicants must be admitted into the MAIA and MPA programs on a separate basis, based on the admissions requirements and procedure of each individual program. Acceptance by one program does not in any way indicate or guarantee acceptance by the other degree program.

Average Program Duration: 2.5 years

Number of required credits: 60

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