



“The Texas State MPA allowed me to be more competitive in the workforce; today, it is a requirement in my profession. The exposure to the many facets of public administration, as well as the professional relationships built during the program, helped prepare me for the exciting challenges and opportunities in city management.”

— Brenda Eivens  
City Manager of Cedar Park

“The Texas State MPA program was great! I would do it again.”

— Dec Ellis, DVM, MPA  
Texas Animal Health Commission;  
State Veterinarian/Executive Director

“The MPA Program sharpens the passions and talents you already possess and shows you how to go from theory to implementation. What I learned and experienced within the program has very useful in my career as a public servant and elected official.”

— Ron Davis  
Travis County Commissioner, Precinct 1

## FLEXIBLE CLASS SCHEDULE

The MPA program is designed to meet the needs of both traditional students and full-time public sector and non-profit sector professionals. With the variety of options, students can complete the 39-hour MPA degree in as little as 18 months.

### Evening Courses

**Offered:** Monday through Thursday

**Locations:** San Marcos, Round Rock and Austin

### On-Line Courses

MPA core courses and electives are regularly offered on-line.

Half of the coursework can be completed on-line.



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# THE MPA PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO CULTIVATE PRACTICAL, RESEARCH-ORIENTED STUDENTS FOR CAREERS AS REFLECTIVE PRACTITIONERS GUIDED BY DEMOCRATIC VALUES, INTEGRITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

## THE MPA PROGRAM

A flexible program designed for full- and part-time students, the professional Master of Public Administration program at Texas State offers:

**NASPAA-Accredited Curriculum** – Texas State’s MPA program is accredited by the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration (NASPAA).

**Quality Faculty** – The MPA faculty are active researchers and leaders in regional, state and national professional associations. The vast majority of courses are taught by full-time faculty.

**Individual Attention** – Students work on independent capstone research projects under the direction of a faculty member.

**Internship Options and Employment Opportunities** – Our students have excellent opportunities for rewarding internships and job placement in one of the nation’s fastest-growing regions.

Visit [mpa.polisci.txstate.edu](http://mpa.polisci.txstate.edu) for more information.

## PROGRAMS AND CONCENTRATIONS

### Academic Programs

The Public Administration program at Texas State offers multiple degrees including:

- Master of Public Administration (MPA)
- Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA)
- Minor in Public Administration

### Concentration Areas

Students can customize their career support areas to reflect their professional needs and goals. In addition, our program has strengths in the following areas:

- public management
- state and local government management
- environmental policy and management
- urban policy and planning
- public finance
- non-profit sector management

## MPA ADMISSIONS POLICY

All applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university. A minimum of a 3.0 GPA on the last 60 undergraduate semester hours of course work earned before receipt of the bachelor degree is required. Each applicant must submit the following to the Graduate College:

- the online Graduate College application through ApplyTexas [www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org).
- an application fee
- one official transcript from each college or university attended
- a personal statement and two letters of recommendation
- official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) score

Note: Students with GPAs between 2.75 and 3.0 will be considered for conditional admission.

The MPA program accepts LSAT and GMAT scores in lieu of the GRE.

## FACULTY

The faculty bring a wide range of perspectives, skills and experiences to the classroom. Faculty members have significant local, state and/or national government experience. The faculty have published numerous books, journal articles, book chapters and other professional reports.

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