

WHY THE MPA AT TARLETON?

- Affordable tuition
- No GRE required
- Face to face or online classes available to fit your busy lifestyle
- Graduate certificates available
- Thesis or non-thesis tracks offered
- Exceptional professors
- Small class sizes

ADMISSION

- Online application
- Two letters of recommendation
- Personal statement



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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School of Criminology,
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Master of Public Administration

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) program is designed for professionals who are either interested in obtaining supervisory and leadership positions in the public sector and nonprofit agencies as well as for those with full-time careers in the field. The program emphasizes learning that is grounded in real-world experiences, and connects key components of leadership and administration, such as organizational behavior, public policy, public budgeting, legal issues and conflict resolution. **We deliver high quality education that is optimized for working professionals and is aimed to prepare students to lead, influence and manage in a diversified work environment.**



ALL COMMUNITIES DESERVE GREAT LEADERSHIP

MPA Degree Plan

PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND CLASS FORMAT:

- Students can choose between a thesis and non-thesis track (both require 36 hours).
- Classes are offered in a face to face format (evenings), online, or a combination of both.
- Students may start the program during fall, spring, or summer semesters.
- GRE is not required.

NON-THESIS TRACK	Total 36 hours
CORE COURSES	30 hours
MAPA 5300 Public Administration	
MAPA 5301 Organizational Behavior	
MAPA 5302 Human Resource Management	
MAPA 5307 Statistical Methods	
MAPA 5311 Intergovernmental Relations (IR)	
MAPA 5315 Public Budgeting	
MAPA 5322 Advanced Ethics	
MAPA 5331 Public Policy	
MAPA 5350 PA Capstone	
MAPA 5398 Research Methods in Public Admin	

ELECTIVE COURSES Choose Two	6 hours
MAPA 5303 Public Sector Marketing	
MAPA 5304 Legal Aspects	
MAPA 5310 Introduction to PA	
MAPA 5320 State and Local Government	
MAPA 5330 Advanced Public Budgeting	
MAPA 5340 Critical Incident Management	
MAPA 5345 Managing Critical Social Problems	
MAPA 5385 Seminar in PA: Strategies for Conflict Resolution	

THESIS TRACK	Total 36 hours
CORE COURSES	30 hours
MAPA 5300 Public Administration	
MAPA 5301 Organizational Behavior	
MAPA 5302 Human Resource Management	
MAPA 5307 Statistical Methods	
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THESIS	6 hours
MAPA 5088 A minimum of 6 hours of 5088 Thesis is required. Some students may take more than 6 hours in order to complete the thesis.	

HOW TO APPLY

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TUITION CALCULATOR

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