

Master of Public Administration (MPA)

If you are passionate about public service, the NASPAA-accredited master's program is the next step for you. We can help you reach your career goals.



Our team can help you:



Advance your career in the health care, nonprofit and public sectors



Assume a leadership role in public service



Become a catalyst for change in your community

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants should have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and demonstrate public service motivation.
- Standardized exam scores including GRE, LSAT and GMAT are optional.
- Admissions decisions are conducted on a rolling basis.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Applying for the Bloch MPA is easy! Just follow these steps:

- Visit umkc.edu/apply to complete a UMKC application and pay the \$45 application fee.
- Submit transcripts from all universities attended to the UMKC Office of Admissions. If electronic transcripts are available, they should be sent to umkc-admtranscript@umkc.edu.
- Submit a **current resume** and **statement of purpose** outlining your professional goals and how an MPA will support those goals.

Need help with the application process? Contact blochgrad@umkc.edu.

Priority admission deadlines are as follows:

Fall: Aug. 1

Spring: Dec. 15

Summer: May 1

ESTIMATED COSTS*

Resident/Domestic

36 Credit hour

program Books and
supplies

\$22,000

\$2,000

- Scholarship opportunities can be found at umkc.academicworks.com.
- Estimate provided is for MO residents and residents of select metro counties. Ask about other resident scholarships.

Non-Resident/International

36 Credit hour program

Books and supplies

\$47,200

\$2,000

- A large portion of non-resident fees can be covered with the Dean's International Scholar Award, provided academic qualifications are met.

*The costs listed are estimates which may be adjusted. For current rates, visit umkc.edu/cashiers or contact a Bloch School representative

CURRICULUM

Core courses (21 credit hours)

- PUB-ADM 5510 Research Methods in Public Administration
- PUB-ADM 5525 Financial Accountability and Policy Development
- PUB-ADM 5526 Politics of Administration
- PUB-ADM 5528 Supervision, Performance Leadership and Human Resource Management
- PUB-ADM 5541 Public Policy Development and Analysis
- PUB-ADM 5544 Program Evaluation
- PUB-ADM 5548 Leadership, Change and Social Impact

Professional Competency Requirement

Students must complete one of the following 3 credit hour requirements

1. Complete an approved study abroad program
2. Complete an internship for credit
3. Complete PUB-ADM 5596, Consulting for Nonprofit and Public Organizations

Graduate Certificate or General Electives (12 credit hours) Choose electives that fit your individual career goals or

Graduate Certificate Areas

MPA students can choose to complete a certificate program as part of their MPA degree plan. These certificates allow students to gain specialized training in three emphasis areas.

- Health Leadership
- Nonprofit Management and Innovation
- Urban Policy and Management

Candidates will also complete an academic portfolio

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn from award-winning faculty with extensive public service experience.
- Earn a certificate in Health Leadership, Nonprofit Management and Innovation or Urban Policy and Management as part of your MPA degree.
- Expand your global network and knowledge with study-abroad opportunities.
- Obtain real-world skills including policy analysis, program evaluation, leadership and public finance.
- Participate in service learning and real-world problem solving in the classroom and beyond.
- Earn your degree in a NASPAA- (Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration) accredited program.
- Can be completed on campus or online.



“The work we do in public service is complex and our success is crucial to our communities. My MPA from the Bloch School truly prepared me to lead with accountability, clarity and compassion throughout my career.”

Amanda Davis (MPA)

UMKC Chief Advancement Officer and UMKC Foundation President