

PUBLIC POLICY, B.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Harrisburg

Career Paths

Our proximity to the state capital in Harrisburg provides students with a rich environment. In addition to our full-time faculty, public policy draws on part-time faculty with particular professional expertise and strengths. In recent years, students have explored politics and political issues in classes taught by a state senator, a former lieutenant governor, a corrections system administrator, and a governor's press secretary. This integration of academic study with the practice of Pennsylvania politics and policy making is further enhanced through quality internships that enhance learning outcomes by immersing students in a credit-earning, real-world experience.

Careers

The Public Policy major is designed for students interested in policy issues, politics, public administration, and related areas like policy analysis and policy advocacy. Students in the Public Policy major receive the educational foundation for careers in the public sector, in government-related businesses, and in non-profit organizations.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS
FOR GRADUATES OF THE PUBLIC POLICY PROGRAM (<https://harrisburg.psu.edu/public-affairs/public-policy-bs>)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

The Public Policy program also provides a strong background for graduate education, including Penn State's Master of Public Administration, Master of Professional Studies in Homeland Security, Master of Health Administration, Master of Arts in Criminal Justice, and the PhD in Public Administration.

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