

Minor

Public Service Minor

The minor in public service is offered by the School of Public Service. The purpose of the minor is to provide students with a solid theoretical foundation in the study and practice of public service, preparing students for citizenship, leadership, and careers in governmental and non-profit agencies. Students will achieve this goal by completing a series of courses from different disciplines across the University designed to provide a solid foundation in public administration and non-profit management, including an appreciation of both internal process and external environment of public and non-profit organizations. This minor will help prepare students for careers in public service and for graduate education in public administration, public affairs, and related fields.

Requirements

Program Structure

The minor in public service consists of 12 hours of coursework. Students take six hours of core classes and six hours of elective courses. At least three hours of elective courses must be chosen from PAS 408, PAS 409, PAS 410, PAS 411, PAS 412, PAS 413 or PAS 395. The other three elective hours may be selected from the approved list of elective classes, taken upon the recommendation of the department and/or academic advisor. Students should seek the recommendation of their department and/or academic advisor as to the precise mix of elective courses taken.

Designated courses for the minor in public service are as follows:

Required Core

PAS 300	Foundations of Public Service	3
PAS 301	Ethics, Governance and Accountability in Public Service	3

Electives

Select at least one of the following:		3-6
PAS 395	Selected Topics in Public Administration	
PAS 408	Public Service Films	
PAS 409	Leadership and Cultural Competence	
PAS 410	Public and Non-profit Organization	
PAS 411	Multi-Sector Partnerships for Public Service	
PAS 412	Public Service Practice	
PAS 413	Public Service Entrepreneurship	
Select one of the following (if needed)		0-3
CRJS 444	Community Justice	
HMSV 494	Entrepreneurship in Human Services and Non-Profit Fundraising	
PHIL 410	Social and Political Philosophy	
POLS 300	Introduction to Public Policy	
POLS 309	Race, Culture and Public Policy	
SOC 300	Social Problems	
SOC 325	Social Welfare	

Total Credit Hours **12**

For completion of the minor, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 2.00 in all courses specified as a requirement for the minor exclusive of 200-level courses and prerequisite courses and complete a minimum of six hours in upper-level courses in the minor requirement through courses offered by Old Dominion University.