Public Administration

Program Overview

The Public Administration major prepares individuals for careers in public service and for further development in professional and paraprofessional careers. As an interdisciplinary major, you will integrate course work from business, economics, sociology, political science, human relations, and communication.

In addition to those who wish to complete a professional degree for a career in public service, the Public Administration major is recommended for those who seek to pursue a graduate degree in law.

Career Fields

Graduates of this program have pursued careers as:
- Law enforcement officials
- Firefighters
- Federal, state, and local government officials
- Politicians
- Directors/members of volunteer organizations
- Law school students
- Graduate school students

Required Courses

Core Requirements
- BUS 212 Human Resource Management
- BUS 215 Applied Statistics
- BUS 242 Management
- CMS 316 Business and Professional Communication
- ECO 203 Macroeconomics and Literacy
  OR
  ECO 204 Principals of Microeconomics
- ECO 308 Public Finance
- IDS 206 Introduction to Research
- PAD 496 Senior Seminar for Public Administration
- PSI 101 American Politics
- PSI 243 Contemporary Political Issues
- PSI 323 State and Local Politics

Cognate Requirements – Complete six of the following:
- BUS 205 Business Writing
- BUS 312 Advanced Human Resource Management
- BUS 315 Organizational Behavior
- BUS 331 Personnel Law
- BUS 361 Contemporary Issues in HR Management
- BUS 365 Ethics in a Business Environment
- BUS 410 Regulatory Compliance
- BUS 415 Leadership in Organizations
- CMM 320 Public Relations
- CMS 112 Small Group Communication
- CMS 220 Interpersonal Communication
- CMS 330 Public Relations
- HRE 331 Personnel Law
- ISM 409 Project Management
- PSI 214 International Politics
- PSI 234 Legislative and Executive Behavior
- PSI 271, 371, 471 Selected Topics in Public Administration
- PSI 316 Comparative Politics
- PSI 328 Constitutional Law
- PSY 336 Social Psychology
- SOC 109 Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 314 Criminal Law and Procedure

Contact Us

If you are up for the challenge and would like to learn more, contact us at either location.

About the Grand Island / Lincoln Campuses

At Doane College, you will join an institution where exceptional faculty, staff, students and alumni challenge themselves to achieve success and provide the best education for all students. The Doane College Grand Island and Lincoln campuses are geared toward working adults, focusing on applied learning and practical experience that you can utilize in your work setting.