

Programme Outcome

The Public Policy Program expects its undergraduate majors to be able to demonstrate the following learning outcomes. These learning outcomes are used in evaluating students and the program. Students are expected to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of public policy analytical tools.
2. Evaluate applied theoretical and empirical work in policy-relevant research.
3. Apply skills and knowledge acquired in the curriculum to analyze policy issues and make policy recommendations.
4. Communicate complex ideas clearly and persuasively in written and oral forms.
5. Demonstrate mastery of the above outcomes in the senior capstone project.

Programme Specific Outcome

This course will help you develop an understanding of policy decision-making and management in the public sector. Specifically, this course will provide practical skills and knowledge related to:

- Understanding why public policy might be needed.
- Decision-making in the public sector.
- Assessing the expected and actual impacts of public policy choices
- Using data to evaluate policy effectiveness
- Balancing competing or conflicting interests among policy partners
- Assessing and responding to elements of the environment surrounding the formulation and implementation of public policies
- Identifying stakeholders, assessing their preferences, and mapping the policy context
- Working with partners and understanding the interplay of public values and public policy
- Leading and managing policy initiatives from all levels of an organization.