



Master of Public Policy and Leadership (Domestic students)

Program code	Admission requirements	Commencing in
5762	Any Bachelor degree or higher (4.0 GPA)	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2
Available at		Next start date
Online	(more)	Trimester 1, 2025 (more)
Duration		Applications close
1 to 2 years full-time 2 to 4 years part-time		Monday, 10 February 2025 Apply Now
Credit points		
160		
Indicative fee		
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Degree requirements: Students who started Trimester 1 - 2025

Pathway 1 - 1 year program (80CP)

For the award of *Master of Public Policy and Leadership (MPublicPolicy&Lead)*, if eligible to complete this program in 1 year, you must successfully complete 80 credit points made up of:

- 80 credit points for the Core Module

Pathway 2 - 1.5 year program (120CP)

For the award of *Master of Public Policy and Leadership (MPublicPolicy&Lead)*, if eligible to complete this program in 1.5 years, you must successfully complete 120 credit points made up of:

- 80 credit points for the Core Module
- 40 credit points for the Flexible Module

Pathway 3 - 2 year program (160CP):

For the award of *Master of Public Policy and Leadership (MPublicPolicy&Lead)*, if eligible to complete this program in 2 years, you must successfully complete 160 credit points made up of:

- 40 credit points for the Foundation Module
- 80 credit points for the Core Module
- 40 credit points for the Flexible Module

This degree may be awarded **with Distinction** where a student achieves a minimum program GPA of 6.5 with no failed courses. The words "This award was achieved with Distinction" will be recorded on the testamur.

Exit point

To be eligible to exit this Masters program with the Graduate Certificate in Public Policy award, a student must acquire 40 credit points for the foundation module.

To exit, a student should apply for a program transfer.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level and Type

The [Australian Qualifications Framework](#) (AQF) is the national policy for regulated qualifications in Australian education and training. This qualification is accredited as an AQF Level 9 - Masters Degree (Coursework).

Program learning outcomes

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Program Learning Outcomes communicate to the community the value of the Griffith educational experience as benchmarked against national qualification standards.

Program Learning Outcomes for this award describe the knowledge, skills and the application of knowledge and skills you will acquire through studying the Griffith program of your choice.

Course list: Students starting Trimester 1 - 2025

Course offering information in program structures is a guide only. Please check the actual offering information in the Course Catalogue.

Students must check the prerequisite and incompatible requirements before selecting any course within this program.

Program Options

Students must complete one of the following pathways:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2			Pathway 1 (1 year - related degree and work experience)	80
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Pathway 2 (1.5 years - related degree)	120
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Pathway 3 (2 years - any degree)	160

Majors (4 available)

Administration and Management

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	7901AFE		Accounting for Accountability	10
Tri 2,3	7916EHR		Leading for Sustainable People Outcomes	10
Tri 2,3	7509IBA		Developing Values-based Leadership	10
Tri 2	7326AFE		Government Budgeting and Fiscal Policy	10

Analysis, Policy Design and Impact

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	7011GBS		Quantitative Methods	10
Tri 2	7027GIR		Achieving Policy Outcomes: Implementation	10
Tri 2	7024GIR		Evaluating Policy and Measuring Performance	10
Tri 1	7123IBA		Innovation for Impact	10

Integrity and Regulation

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	7340AFE		Financial Crime Regulation and Compliance	10
Tri 2	7013GIR		Integrity Professional Foundations	10
Tri 2	7012GIR		Democracy and Governance in Asia	10
Tri 1,2	7033HSV		Interdisciplinary Professional Ethics	10

Strategy and Change

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	7115IBA		Managing Complex Projects	10
Tri 1,2	7012EHR		Leading Policy and Organisational Change	10
Tri 1,2	7920IBA		Sustainability and Systems Thinking	10
Tri 2	7127IBA		Entrepreneurial Leadership	10

Pathways (3 available)

Pathway 1 (1 year - related degree and work experience)

Core module

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	7025GIR		Policy Advice: Evidence, Argument and Persuasion in Policy-Making	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	7010GBS		Research Design	10
Tri 1	7010GIR		Policymaking, Public Participation and Human Rights	10
Tri 1	7007GIR		Foreign Policy	10
Tri 2	7033GIR		Ethics, Leadership and Judgement	10
Tri 1,2,3			Major courses	40

Pathway 2 (1.5 years - related degree)

Core module

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Flexible module

You must complete one of the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2,3			Second major	40
			OR	
Tri 1,2,3			Electives	40
			OR	
Tri 1,2,3			Dissertation	40

Dissertation courses

You should advise the Program Director about your intention to enrol in dissertation courses at least one trimester in advance of your expected enrolment.

Eligibility to undertake a Dissertation will be determined by the Program Director and will be subject to the following criteria:

- attained a minimum GPA of 5.5 across the core courses and
- completed 7010GBS Research Design and
- lodged a completed Nomination of Dissertation Topic and Supervisor form
- the suitability of the proposed dissertation topic and the resources available to support the candidature including availability of appropriate supervision

If eligible to undertake the Dissertation must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	8001GBS_P1		GBS Dissertation	10
Tri 1,2	8001GBS_P2		GBS Dissertation	10
Tri 1,2	8001GBS_P3		GBS Dissertation	10
Tri 1,2	8001GBS_P4		GBS Dissertation	10

Pathway 3 (2 years - any degree)

Foundation module

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	7023GIR		Machinery and Principles of Policymaking	10
Tri 1	7025GIR		Policy Advice: Evidence, Argument and Persuasion in Policy-Making	10
Tri 1,2	3013GIR		Power and Policy Making	10
Tri 2,3	7002GIR		Government-Business Relations in Global Context	10

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Electives (1 available)

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You can complete 40 credit points of elective courses from the list below AND/OR from the other majors in the program.

Elective courses may be available at multiple campuses and during a different trimester. Click on the course code to find out more information on where and when the course is offered.

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	7053HSV		Introduction to Working with First Peoples Communities	10
Tri 1	7118IBA		Information Policy and Governance	10
Tri 1	7021GIR		International Organisations and Peacebuilding	10
Tri 1,2,3	7009GBS		Co-Design Incubator	10
Tri 2	7907ICT		IT and Cyber Security Governance, Policy, Ethics and Law	10
Tri 1,2,3	7230ICT		Big Data Analytics and Social Media	10
Tri 2	7226LHS		Understanding Human Error and Just Culture	10
Tri 3	7030HSV		Working with Diverse Populations	10