



Hobby School of Public Affairs  
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

# MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY

The Hobby School of Public Affairs' Master of Public Policy program prepares a new generation of leaders to face tomorrow's most pressing challenges through interdisciplinary coursework, training in ethics and leadership and experiential learning opportunities. The two-year program is rooted in cross-disciplinary study, blending social sciences, advanced quantitative methods, analytical skills and applied research that equips graduates to make a difference across sectors and a range of policy areas.

Our curriculum provides a toolbox of skills that are transferable in business, government or nonprofits.

- Advanced Quantitative and Data Analysis
- Ethics and Leadership Training
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Professional Writing and Communications Skills
- Policy Design and Analysis

"I knew a Master of Public Policy from the Hobby School of Public Affairs would prepare me to be a more effective public servant and leader. I am passionate about developing strategies to improve people's lives and know that public policy decisions are the most important tool to do just that. The Hobby School opened the door for me to begin work in local government after an internship at Harris County led to a full-time role with the Intergovernmental and Global Affairs Department."

Matthew Moseley, MPP '22

## Program Highlights

- **Flexible scheduling** with required courses offered in the evening and some online.
- **Interdisciplinary curriculum**, combining political science, economics, computer science, business and statistics.
- **Dual degree and accelerated pathway program** offerings.
- With diverse disciplinary backgrounds, **faculty members and researchers** provide various perspectives and expertise, whether the focus is on the economy, energy, education, natural disasters, political participation or other relevant public policy matters.
- **Financial support is available** for eligible students, including Hobby School Excellence Scholarships (up to \$3,000 each semester).
- **Join a comprehensive network of students and alumni practitioners** who are eager to positively shape our communities, **community partner organizations** and a **university career center** dedicated to helping students reach their goals.

# MPP IN ACTION

## Alumni Careers

Hobby School alumni lead successful careers across sectors and are making a measurable impact in Texas and nationwide.

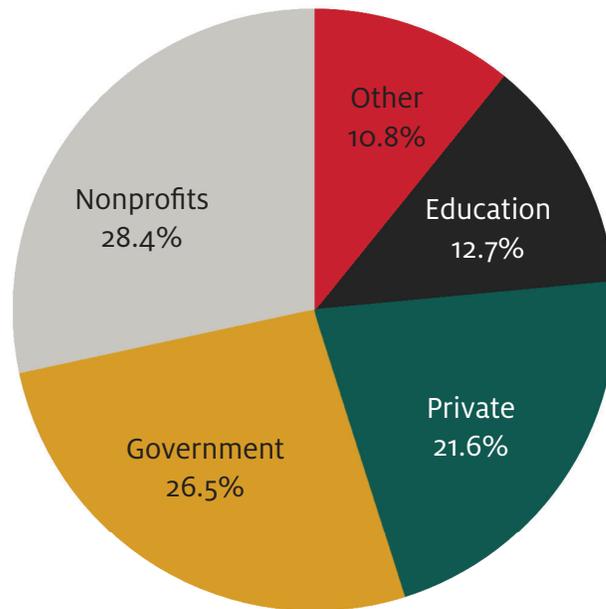
# 88%

were employed within one year of graduation

Nearly

# 5%

continued their education after graduation



## Core Courses Highlights

- Ethics and Leadership
  - » Leadership and Professional Development
  - » Philosophy and Public Policy I & II
- Public Policy Analysis
  - » Microeconomics
  - » Political Analysis
  - » Public Finance
- Policy Research Methods – Statistical Analysis I, II, & III
  - » Introduction to Statistics
  - » Multivariate Analysis
  - » Advanced Quantitative Modeling
- Hands-on Policy Research Projects and Internships
  - » Public Policy Capstone
  - » Public Policy Internship
- Elective/Specialization Courses

## Application Deadlines

- Fall
  - » Priority: March 1\*
  - » International Applicants: May 1
  - » Domestic Applicants: August 1
- Spring
  - » Priority: September 1\*
  - » International Applicants: October 1
  - » Domestic Applicants: December 1

### GRE Waiver

Applicants with a GPA of 3.3 or higher or a graduate degree are not required to submit GRE scores.

\*Scholarships are prioritized for applicants who meet the priority application deadline.

## CONTACT US

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