

BA/BS/BPS in Public Affairs Degree Planning Worksheet

Bachelor’s Degree programs in Public Affairs must meet the 9 foundations listed below. Knowledge of each outcome can be demonstrated through transcript credit, individual prior learning assessment (iPLA), prior learning evaluation (PLE), or credit by examination, or specific courses at Empire State College. The goal of this worksheet is to provide a list of some of the SUNY Empire courses that fulfill each Foundation area. It is suggested that one course not be used to fulfil more than one Foundation. Students should explain how they meet each Foundation with one or more courses in their Degree Program Rationale.

In consultation with their mentor, students are encouraged to use the worksheet below to help determine how their degree will meet Area of Study guidelines. ESC’s general graduation requirements (e.g., General Education, Educational Planning, credit totals) also apply.

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Foundation 1—Theoretical and Philosophical Contexts

- EMGT 2005 Introduction to Emergency Management _____
- LEST 1005 Introduction to Law and the Legal System _____
- LEST 4020 Theories of Law and Justice _____
- PAFF 1005 Introduction to Security Studies _____
- PAFF 2005 Introduction to Homeland Security _____
- PAFF 2010 Introduction to Public Affairs in the Public Sector _____
- PAFF 2122 Introduction to Public Administration _____
- PAFF 2132 Introduction to Public Policy _____
- PAFF 3127 Public Policy _____
- POLI 3005 America’s Founding Ideas _____
- POLI 2005 New York State and Local Government _____
- SOCI 1005 Exploring Society _____
- Other** (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 2—Comparative Perspectives

- ANTH 3122 Sex and Gender in Global Perspective _____
- CRJS 4010 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems _____
- PAFF 4005 Counterterrorism in a Changing World _____
- POLI 2005 New York State and Local Government _____
- POLI 3020 Comparative Politics _____
- POLI 3070 Modern Africa _____
- POLI 3065 International Politics and Relations _____
- SOCI 3065 Perspectives on Terrorism _____
- Other** (consult with mentor): _____



Foundation 3 – Historical Perspectives

- HIST 2025 and HIST 2030 American History I and II _____
- POLI 3005 America's Founding Ideas _____
- POLI 3010 American Political Thought from Jackson to Obama _____
- POLI 3105 The American Presidency _____
- POLI 3110 The United States Congress _____
- POLI 3115 The United States Constitution _____
- Other** (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 4—Social Contexts of Power and Privilege

- ANTH 3122 Sex and Gender in Global Perspective _____
- CRJS 3065 Race, Crime and Justice _____
- CRJS 4030 Women, Crime and Criminology _____
- CUST/GSST 3152 Queering American Culture _____
- GSST 2005 Introduction to LGBTQ+ Studies _____
- POLI 4015 Race, Law, and Politics _____
- SOCI 1005 Exploring Society _____
- SOCI 2010 Introduction to Race Class and Gender _____
- SOCI 3010 Aging and Society _____
- SOCI 3015 Analyzing Race, Class and Gender _____
- SOCI 3025 Contemporary Global Social Issues _____
- SOCI 3040 Deviance and Social Control _____
- SOCI 3045 Disaster and Society _____
- SOCI 3055 Family and Society _____
- SOCI 3090 Social Movements _____
- SOCI 3095 Sociology of Education _____
- SOCI 4030 Power and Privilege _____
- Other** (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 5—Legal Environment

- CRJS 3009 Criminal Law and Procedure _____
- LEST 3015 Mental Health and the Law _____
- LEST 4005 Constitutional Law I _____
- LEST 4010 Constitutional Law II _____
- LEST 4025 Women and the Law _____
- PAFF 3127 Public Policy _____
- PAFF 4132 Legal and Ethical Foundations of Public Service _____
- POLI 3115 The United States Constitution _____
- Other** (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 6 –Economic, Financial or Budgetary Issues

ECON 2005 Introductory Economics _____
ECON 2015 Macroeconomics _____
ECON 3100 Public Finance _____
ECON 3105 Public Finance and Economics _____
PAFF 4122 Public Finance and Budgeting _____
Other (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 7 –Ethics and Values

PAFF 3122 Ethics and the Public Sector _____
PAFF 4132 Legal and Ethical Foundations of Public Service _____
SOC 4035 Privacy, Security, & Freedom _____
Other (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 8— Research Skills and Information Analysis

CRJS 3020 Crime and Intelligence Analysis _____
PAFF 4127 Public Administration Capstone _____
SOSC 2010 Statistics for the Social Sciences _____
SOSC 3020 Qualitative Social Science Research Methods _____
SOSC 3025 Social Science Research Methods _____
Other (consult with mentor): _____

Foundation 9—Technical Knowledge

ACCT 2005 Introductory Accounting _____
BUSN 2015 Computer Applications in Bus., Mgmt, & Econ. _____
BUSN 3122 Management Information Systems _____
COMW 2010 Grant Writing _____
CRJS 3045 Forensic Science _____
DIGA 3041 The Digital Environment in a Post-Truth World _____
EDST 1122 Introduction to Digital Literacy _____
EMGT 3015 Emergency Communications _____
EMGT 3020 Hazardous Materials and Public Awareness _____
EMGT 3025 Incident Management and Leadership _____
EMGT 3035 Managing Bioterrorism & Public Health Emergencies _____
EMGT 3050 Risk Analysis and Hazard Mitigation _____

EMGT 4005 Managerial Issues in Hazardous Materials _____
EMGT 4122 Disaster Intervention _____
GSCI 2200 GPS and the New Geography _____
GSCI 3200 Geographic Information Systems _____

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Foundation 9—Technical Knowledge (*continued*)

HSCI 3200 Health Informatics _____
HSCI 4200 Epidemiology _____
INFT 2015 Introduction to Business Analytics _____
INFT 2020 Introduction to Digital Crime and Digital Terrorism _____
INFT 3020 Cyber Crime and Computer Forensics _____
PAFF 3003 Security Implications of Global Climate Change _____
PAFF 3005 Terrorism and Homeland Security _____
PAFF 4000 International Dimensions of Security _____
PAFF 4127 Public Administration Capstone _____
SOSC 2010 Statistics for the Social Sciences _____
SOSC 3020 Qualitative Social Science Research Methods _____
SOSC 3025 Social Science Research Methods _____
Other (consult with mentor): _____