

MPA Program Overview

Be a part of our innovative and rewarding professional program, geared for working adults. Our program is built upon high impact educational practices, traditional and hybrid courses, a convenient location in downtown San Francisco right over the Powell Street BART Station, and the best value for your tuition dollar in the Bay Area.

The SF State Master of Public Administration (MPA) Program offers students the opportunity to earn their MPA by taking a mix of in-person and hybrid courses in the heart of downtown San Francisco.

The MPA Program is home to five full-time tenured faculty members. In addition, between three and eight part-time affiliated faculty also teach MPA classes. Part-time affiliated faculty include colleagues from other PACE programs, professors emeriti, and practitioners.

Our courses are taught using effective, so-called high impact practices (HIPs) like collaborative assignments, community-based learning, and capstone experiences. All students in our Program complete an e-portfolio highlighting the knowledge and skills they have gained over the course of the degree. Two examples of the e-portfolios from recent graduates emphasize the types of learning in which our MPA students engage, the variety of assignments and course content they complete, and the quality of SF State MPA students' work.

- [C. Morales Eportfolio](#)
- [C. Pflaumer Eportfolio](#)

Our Spring 2021 Admissions Deadline is November 1st, with the review of completed applications to begin on October 1st. Information sessions for prospective MPA students will begin in August:

- **Friday, October 2, 6 pm-7 pm**
- **Tuesday, October 6, 6 pm-7 pm**
- **October 14, 12pm-1pm: For SFSU Staff Only**

Faculty will be available to answer all questions at these information sessions. To join a session, click:

<https://sfsu.zoom.us/j/97536311839?pwd=ZE5RTEhTNHNOYk8ySE54cFgvRct5UT09>

For more information, please visit our website: <https://pace.sfsu.edu/mpa>