

Combined BA in Human Services & Social Justice and Masters of Public Administration (MPA)

Eligible and interested students may apply for a combined dual degree program to earn Bachelor of Arts with a major in Human Services & Social Justice (HSSJ) and a Masters of Public Administration. Students should apply the Fall of their junior year. For best consideration, students should have a GPA that is a 3.5 or higher.

For BA in Human Services (HMSR), now Human Services & Social Justice (HSSJ):

For BA in Human Services (HMSR) or Human Services & Social Justice (HSSJ), see chart A (HMSR) on page 4 or chart B (HSSJ) on page 6 for requirements.

Additionally:

- Complete the general requirements for the Columbian College of Arts and Science.
- Complete 12 credit hours of approved Public Administration courses taken in the last year of the BA. This can be counted towards both the BA and the MA.

For Masters of Public Administration (MPA):

- Follow the established curriculum for the Masters of Public Administration.
- Complete a 1-credit hour prerequisite course (PPPA 6000) taken the summer before or during senior year.
- Complete 12 credit hours of approved MPA coursework taken during the last year of the BA in Human Services.
- Complete a total of 40 Credits, including 13 taken in the last year of the undergraduate program.
- Students are still considered undergraduates during their 4th year. Therefore, to register for any TS-PPPA courses, students must complete a Registration Transaction Form (RTF) and contact Dr. Lori Brainard for approval, brainard@gwu.edu.

Financial Implications:

In the 4th year of this program, in order to maintain any financial aid you may have, 51% of your total credit hours must be in undergraduate courses. Options include adding a 1-credit course to your 4th year or taking one 4-credit rather than a 3-credit course in the 4th year.

For information about the GW Masters of Public Administration curriculum, please visit the following Trachtenberg School of Public Policy & Public Administration webpage:

<http://tspppa.gwu.edu/master-public-administration-mpa>