

WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
BASIC COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE TITLE: Seminar in Public Administration

COURSE NUMBER: MPA 6501

PRE-REQUISITE(S): None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to allow students to develop an understanding of public administration as a field of academic study and an area of professional practice. Specifically, it focuses on the evolution of public administration as an academic discipline, the context in which public administration takes place, the meaning of public service in a democratic society, and the importance of personal and professional ethics.

MAJOR INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS:

GOAL A:

Learning Objectives: The student will:

- A-1 Analyze the theory of public organizations and how public administrators manage public policy implementation.
- A-2 Examine the concept of public fiscal management and taxation.
- A-3 Explain the public budgeting process.
- A-4 Formulate concepts of public personnel management and the relationship of labor unionism.
- A-5 Summarize the importance of communications with constituencies.
- A-6 Examine the interaction between public administrators and the judiciary.
- A-7 Defend ethical standards in public management.