

**PUBLIC POLICY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

<p><b>5 CORE COURSES</b> For students to qualify to do their internship, they must have completed at least 3 of the following 6 required courses: STA 199L, PUBPOL 155D, PUBPOL 301, PUBPOL 302*, PUBPOL 303, PUBPOL 304. From this list of courses, at least one course needs to be PUBPOL 155, PUBPOL 301, or PUBPOL 302*.</p>	<p><b>STA 199L</b> Intro to Data Science and Statistical Thinking <i>ECON 104 may substitute for STA 199L</i></p>	<p><b>2 REQUIRED COURSES</b></p>	<p><b>PUBPOL 304</b> Economics of the Public Sector <i>Typically taken senior year</i></p>	<p><b>4 ELECTIVES</b> Four PUBPOL or PUBPOL cross listed electives at the 100-699 level with at least one elective at the 401-699 level.</p>	1.	<p><b>PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIP &amp; SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF PUBPOL 120</b></p>
	<p><b>PUBPOL 155</b> Introduction to Policy Analysis <i>Prerequisite for all core courses except STA 199L and PUBPOL 303</i></p>				2.	
	<p><b>PUBPOL 301</b> Political Analysis for Public Policy</p>		3.			
	<p><b>PUBPOL 302</b> Policy Choice as Value Conflict or <b>PUBPOL 330/GLHLTH 210</b> Global Health Ethics</p>		4.			
<p><b>PUBPOL 303</b> Microeconomic Policy Tools or <b>ECON 201</b> Intermediate Microeconomics   <i>Students who have taken ECON 201 cannot take PUBPOL 303</i></p>	<p><b>PUBPOL History Elective</b> Choose an elective from the pre-approved list below: <a href="#">History Electives   SANFORD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY (duke.edu)</a></p>					

\* GLHLTH 210 may substitute for PUBPOL 302

**IMPORTANT:**

- Major components: 12 Courses including Public Policy focused internship.
- There are no prerequisites needed to declare the Public Policy major. However, there is a flow to the requirements and advanced planning is key to completing the major on time.
- No Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) courses may be counted towards the major requirements.
- No more than 2 transfer (including study abroad) credits may be counted towards the major requirements.
- Students are not permitted to take core courses, the history elective, or the 401-699 elective abroad.
- All PUBPOL students are required to meet with the PUBPOL administrative staff prior to registration for enrollment eligibility each semester.

Put your name in the email subject line when you write to Sanford Career Services Staff.

**PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIP & SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF PUBPOL 120**

Review the internship section of the [Undergraduate Handbook](#) for detailed information about the internship requirements.

For an internship to be approved to meet the PUBPOL internship requirement, students must demonstrate:

- 1) Day-to-day work requires student to engage in public policy, AND
- 2) Day-to-day work is analytical and project-oriented rather than clerical or direct service (such as tutoring or building a clinic).

Internships that WILL count:

- Any nonprofit or government organization (.org, .gov, .edu, or .mil).
- Duke Engage, Hart Leadership, Duke in DC, Stanback Internships, and Bass Connections.
- Required military service.
- Very limited private sector internships. Only those with a significant public policy focus. Examples include government relations teams, political campaigns, and political communication firms.

Internships that will NOT count:

- Internships in finance, business, or commercial consulting.

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

- **PREREQUISITES:** 3 of the 6 required courses: STA 199L, PUBPOL 155D, PUBPOL 301, PUBPOL 302, PUBPOL 303, PUBPOL 304. At least one course needs to be PUBPOL 155, PUBPOL 301, or PUBPOL 302/GLHLTH 210. Majors must complete their sophomore year prior to internship.
- **TIME COMMITMENT**  
- 350 Hours
- **TIMING:** Internship hours do not accrue until after declaring the PUBPOL major and completion of the prerequisites. Majors should complete the summer after their sophomore or junior year.
- **GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION:** Domestic & International  
[Restricted Regions List \(RRL\) | Global Administrative and Travel Support | Duke](#)
- **REQUIRED INTERNSHIP DOCUMENTATION** (See details in box on right.)
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Available to majors who receive financial aid from Duke. Application deadline is February 1<sup>st</sup>. You do not need to know your internship site to apply for funding.

**EXAMPLES OF ELIGIBLE INTERNSHIPS**

- PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIPS: A wide variety of policy internships are listed in the Handshake internship database.
- DUKE IN DC: Spring semester study away program.
- DUKEENGAGE: All programs are eligible each summer.
- HART LEADERSHIP: Selected opportunities eligible each summer.
- BASS CONNECTIONS – Must be a two-semester program.
- VERY LIMITED PRIVATE SECTOR INTERNSHIPS. Only those with significant public policy focus. Examples include government relations teams, political campaigns & political communications firms.

**INTERNSHIP DOCUMENTATION**

- **HANDSHAKE EXPERIENCE RECORD:** Completed by the student and internship supervisor to describe proposed internship tasks and their relation to public policy. *DEADLINE: Spring LDOC*
- **ENROLL IN PUBPOL 120 COURSE IN SUMMER SESSION 2:** Permission numbers will be distributed by Suzanne Pierce, Undergraduate Program Coordinator. *DEADLINE: Summer Session 2 Drop/Add*
- **SUPERVISOR EVALUATION:** Completed by the supervisor to evaluate the student’s performance; Sanford sends link to supervisor. *DEADLINE: August 1*
- **STUDENT EVALUATION:** Completed by the student to provide feedback to the Sanford School Internship Staff and information to future students. *DEADLINE: August 1*
- **REFLECTION ASSIGNMENT:** 1) Assessment and exploration of a specific policy issue impacting their organization, or 2) creating and analyzing a stakeholder map and assessment of the different players, or 3) a professional career exploration. *DEADLINE: August 1*