



RUTGERS-NEWARK

**School of Public Affairs
and Administration**

MPA DataBook

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Overview

School of Public Affairs and Administration (SPAA)

Following decades of accomplishments via the Graduate Department of Public Administration at Rutgers University–Newark (RU-N), the School of Public Affairs and Administration (SPAA) was established in 2006. SPAA is organized as a discrete School, with administrative and policy control over all undergraduate and Master's Program activities. The PhD program is organizationally part of the RU-N Graduate School.

Academic Programs

UNDERGRADUATE

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Public Administration [on campus and online]
Minor in Public Administration
Minor in Public Leadership
Minor in Public Policy
Second Concentration: Accelerated MPA
NextGen Leadership Academy

MASTER PROGRAMS

Master of Public Administration (MPA) [on campus and online]
Online Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA)
Accelerated Master of Public Administration (BA/MPA or BS/MPA)
MPA Fast Track Program

DOCTORAL PROGRAM

PhD in Public Administration

CERTIFICATE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

State of NJ Certified Public Manager (CPM) Program
Appreciative Inquiry for Strength-Based Leadership and Innovation in Public and Nonprofit Sectors (Ai)
Budgeting and Financial Management Certificate
Healthcare Administration Certificate
Diversity and Inclusion in the Workplace Certificate
Leadership and No-Blame Problem Solving Certificate
Leadership of Public Organizations Certificate
Nonprofit Management Certificate
Public Leadership Certificate [undergraduate]
Public Sector Labor-Management Relations Certificate
Social Entrepreneurship Certificate

MPA Enrollment & Demographics

Enrollment: MPA Program	
Semester	MPA
Fall 2025	330

Enrollment by stated gender based on enrollment across all programs (estimated):

Enrollment: by Gender	
Female	62%
Male	38%

Enrollment by state (in-state in New Jersey or out-of-state) based on enrollment across all programs (estimated):

Enrollment: by State	
In-State	84%
Out-of-State	16%

Outcomes

Degrees Conferred (Graduates)

Number of degrees conferred (graduates):

Degrees Conferred	
Academic Year	MPA
2024-2025	104

Graduation Rates

The table below shows the MPA graduation rates.

Graduation Rates (estimated)				
	Initially Enrolled	Graduated within 2 years	Graduated within 3 years	Graduated within 4 years
Total Number of Students in the ARY-5 Cohort				
MPA	101	33	69	85
EMPA	0	19	19	20

Job Placement Statistics

The table below shows the job placement of MPA graduates within six months of graduation.

MPA Program: Job Placement	
U.S. Federal Government	0
U.S. State Government	8
U.S. Local Government (city, county)	4
Government (international, all levels)	0
Nonprofit (domestic-oriented)	2
Nonprofit/NGOs (internationally-oriented)	0
Private Sector (research/consulting)	0
Private Sector (NOT research/consulting)	5
Obtaining further education	0
Military Service	0
Other/Status Unknown	8
Total	27

The table below shows a list of representative employers of SPAA MPA graduates.

MPA Program: Representative List of Employers		
Government/Public Sector	Nonprofit Sector	Private For-Profit Sector
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. Dept. of Labor • U.S. House of Representatives • U.S. Dept. of Defense, Transportation command • State of NJ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Judiciary ◦ Division of Child Protection and Permanency ◦ Army National Guard ◦ Senate Majority Office • Metropolitan Transit Authority • National Pension Service, South Korea • Halifax County Public Health Service • City of North Wildwood • Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council • Rutgers University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys & Girls Club of Newark • New Jersey Institute of Technology • Newark Trust for Education • Well of Hope • Success Academy Charter School • Newark Debate Academy • Newark Beth Israel Hospital 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hackensack University Medical Center • RPM Development • Atlantic System Healthcare • Youman, Madar, and Fasano, LLC • Navis Healthcare • ADP

The table below shows representative job titles of MPA graduates.

MPA Program: Representative List of Job Titles		
Government/Public Sector	Nonprofit Sector	Private For-Profit Sector
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • Program Coordinator • State Coordinator • City Administrator • Senior Funds Manager • Human Resources Director • Senior Director for Annual Giving • Research Associate • Director of Faculty and Staff Resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Manager • Community Health worker • Director of Cultural and Human Resources • Manager of Operations and Facilities • Financial Literacy Advocate • Assistant Dean 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Content Developer • Medical Technologist • Immigration Paralegal • Social Services Coordinator • IT Program Manager

The table below shows a representative list of internship sponsors for SPAA MPA students.

MPA Program: Representative List of Internship Sponsors
Office of the U.S. Attorney General Newark Debate Academy NJ Transit Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies New York City Council Integrity House Boys and Girls Clubs of Newark Somerset County, Department of Human Resources Franklin Township, Department of Recreation Zonergy Company City of North Wildwood, NJ

Faculty

Faculty teaching in the MPA program:

MPA Program Faculty			
	N =	% Academically Qualified	% Professional Qualified
Full-Time Faculty	16	100%	N/A
Lecturers (Part-Time Faculty)	10	60%	40%