

MASTERS IN PUBLIC

ADMINISTRATION

INTERNSHIP

REQUIRED

Only at the time of application, the admissions committee reviews each candidate's portfolio and assesses whether an internship is required or not. Those candidates with two or fewer years of professional work experience are required to complete the MPA 660, *Internship*, as part of their degree requirements.

The admissions committee has determined that MPA 660, Internship is required for you.

This requirement applies regardless of the work experience you accrue while completing the degree.

OBJECTIVES

The internship requirement aims to provide you with on-site practical experience to:

1. better appreciate the relevance and value of course material,
2. enable you to give more careful consideration and thought to an issue, and better be able to use theoretical knowledge to solve practical administrative problems,
3. identify area(s) of professional interest,
4. enhance career placement opportunities.

PROCEDURE

We generally think it best that students take several MPA courses before registering for the internship. At minimum, MPA 500, *Introduction to Public Administration* must be completed before setting up the internship.

It is incumbent on you, the student, to initiate when and how to complete the internship. Start by contacting the Internship Coordinator, who will provide you with information to get started.

The current Internship Coordinator is Dr. Jay Bainbridge.

He can be reached via email Jay.Bainbridge@marist.edu or by phone at 845-575-3225.

You can also contact your faculty advisor (listed on your DegreeWorks) or inform the office by sending an email to gradmgt@marist.edu from your Marist email account. Explain your request and provide your CWID.