

## MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)

You need a unique blend of skills and knowledge to excel in the public sector. Corban's MPA provides the ideal mix of courses that focus on public sector work, but also incorporate business and management principles. Through the features of the completely online format, you will learn not only from the professors and course materials, but also from your peers as you discuss the challenges and lessons learned from experience in the public administration field.

The MPA empowers leaders with the tools to succeed and provides resources for those who are called to public service. The core MPA curriculum includes courses in leadership, strategy, finance reporting, public sector human resource management, and research and reporting to equip you as a manager and leader in your field.

The MPA allows you to complete your master's degree in just one year so that you can advance your education without putting your career on hold.

### FAST FACTS

- 8-week sessions
- 12 months from start to finish
- Rolling admissions (start any 8-weeks)
- Entirely online
- Less than \$15,000

### COURSEWORK

#### CORE COURSES (30 CREDITS)

PA534	Public Sector Resource Management	5
PA544	Managing Public Sector Institutions	5
PA554	Public Sector Research and Reporting	5
BA534	Finance, Reporting and Control	5
BA574	Contemporary Issues in the Marketplace	5
BA584	Business Strategy & Entrepreneurship	5

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **PA534 PUBLIC SECTOR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (5)**

This course examines theory and practice of human motivation and inter-personal relations in the increasingly pluralistic, public sector workplace. Whether supervisor or subordinate, public sector employees with mentoring, performance feedback, delegation, active listening, negotiating, and conflict resolution skills are prepared to address legal issues, attract and retain good talent, and produce trusting, incentivized, accountable, and effective workplaces.

### **PA544 MANAGING PUBLIC SECTOR INSTITUTIONS (5)**

This course examines theory and practice of the formal and informal rules that govern the increasingly complex public sector workplace through a Christian worldview. While politics is the art of the possible, institutions bound what is probable. Through collaborative governance and policy creation and administration strategies, administrators are able to weigh public input on competing goods to produce fair rules and processes. Whether bureaucrat or community leader, principles and agents with networking, strategic planning, project management, and coordination skills are better equipped to generate durable and ethical sectoral policy solutions that maximize limited resources and satisfy stakeholder interests.

### **PA554 PUBLIC SECTOR RESEARCH AND REPORTING (5)**

This course examines theory and practice of public sector research methods. The increasing speed and complexity of policy formation and rise of “big” data has increased the importance of administrators’ research skills for identifying, measuring, and communicating public sector trends. The systematic collection, management, and measurement of data and critical interpretation, analysis, and reporting of case study, statistical, survey, program evaluation, social impact assessment, and geographic information systems (GIS) empirical outputs gives administrators an advantage in generating, executing, and evaluating creative, efficient, and effective public administration policies and programs.

### **BA534 FINANCE REPORTING AND CONTROL (5)**

This course provides a broad overview of accounting (communication), finance (decision making) and control (risk management) activities within an organization.

### **BA564 LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR (5)**

This course is both an investigation of Leadership and Organizational Behavior. Students will examine Leadership through both traditional and contemporary leadership theories while developing an awareness of their own personal leadership capabilities. Organizational Behavior will study human behavior in organizations; emphasizing theoretical concepts and practical methods for understanding, analyzing, and prediction individual, group, and organizational behavior.

### **BA584 BUSINESS STRATEGY & ENTREPRENEURSHIP (5)**

This course is a study of the fundamentals of business strategy from ideation through to full business maturation. Learners will be exposed to the processes used to form business ideas, as well as how to successfully execute those ideas in a competitive business landscape.

## TUITION AND FEES

TUITION	COST PER CREDIT	CREDITS	TOTAL COST
Master of Public Administration	\$499	30	\$14,970
FEES	COST		
Application Fee	\$50		
Tuition Deposit	\$200		
Technology Fee	\$40 each semester		
Graduation Fee	\$150		
Course Fees	Varies (some courses may have fees to cover the cost of provided materials)		

## APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Complete and submit the following items in order for your application packet to be reviewed for acceptance. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and should be completed at least 4 weeks prior to the start of classes.

- ❑ **APPLICATION**  
Begin your application at [corban.edu/apply](https://corban.edu/apply)
- ❑ **APPLICATION FEE (\$50)**
- ❑ **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**  
To be requested from the institution where your bachelor's degree was awarded and any schools where graduate coursework was taken. Official transcripts should be sent to Graduate Admissions at Corban.
- ❑ **CHRISTIAN CHARACTER REFERENCE (INCLUDED ON THE APPLICATION)**  
Provide the name of an individual who can serve as a Christian Character Reference. This should be an individual who is familiar with your Christian walk, professional conduct and potential as a student. The individual should be someone who is not a relative and preferably has known you for at least a year.
- ❑ **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
Submit a one-page, double-spaced executive summary on a governance topic of your choosing.
- ❑ **RESUME (OPTIONAL)**

## AFTER ACCEPTANCE

- ❑ **PAY ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT (\$200)**  
The enrollment deposit reserves your place in class and is applied directly toward your tuition.
- ❑ **COMPLETE "WALK TO CLASS"**  
Your Admissions counselor will create your account and send you information on how to use our online learning platform, Populi, before classes start.