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The JSGS offers a variety of Master's Certificates designed to meet the needs of practicing public administrators, policy analysts and non-profit managers who already have an undergraduate degree, advanced degrees in another area, or significant experience, and who wish to increase their conceptual and technical skills in the fields of public administration or public policy. With the goal of career advancement in mind, many students continue their education by moving into the regular Master of Public Administration (MPA) program upon completion of their certificate.

Master's Certificates are offered only at the University of Regina campus.

Program Curriculum - Public Management Certificate

This certificate program provides students with a solid foundation of understanding and skills in public-sector management. Students will develop the ability to analyze governing institutions and the processes of modern government along with some of the basic skills and techniques required to manage effectively in the public sector. It may be of interest to individuals currently working in the public sector who do not have a background in administration and who want to improve their administrative and management skills.

Students must complete:

> **JSGS 801** - Governance and Administration (3 credit hrs)

Students must also complete two of the following elective courses (6 credits hrs):

> **JSGS 802** - Public Finance

> **JSGS 808** - Ethical Leadership and Democracy in Public Service

> **JSGS 815** - Strategic Human Resource Management

> **JSGS 828** - Project Management

> **JSGS 847** - Strategic Planning

> **JSGS 853** - Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

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SAIRA BILAL, MASTER'S CERTIFICATE IN PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS PROGRAM, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA CAMPUS

"As a new immigrant in Canada, I was looking for a program that would help redefine my career goals in a new country. Having been a physician and a public health professional for more than 10 years, I wanted to build on my current competencies. I was continuously searching for relevant programs and was immensely impressed by the diversity of professionals accepted in the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy. I could relate my past knowledge and experience with the wide range of program options available. With the flexible schedule of classes I was able to join the program and still spend time with my young kids. My experience at the school so far has been very positive. The encouragement that I have received at the school of public policy in such a short time has motivated and inspired me. Canada has a changing landscape and needs innovation to efficiently utilize the talents of a wide variety of professionals coming from all over the world. I think the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School has taken a step towards achieving that."

Saira has also attained her MBBS, Rawalpindi Medical College, Pakistan, 1995; Master of Science in Public Health, Pakistan, 2004

“The JSGS program has been an invaluable resource in helping me to achieve my career goals. As a full-time government employee and active member of the community, the program offered me the flexibility and choice that I need, without sacrificing the quality of my education. Every class I have taken is taught by a knowledgeable faculty member, builds upon my current skill set and is immediately applicable to the duties at my place of employment. As I move from the Master’s Certificate in Public Management to the full Master of Public Administration program, I look forward to furthering both my education and my career.”

Ryan has also attained his BA (Hons) in Psychology, 2005; Bachelor of Social Work, 2009; Master’s Certificate in Public Management, 2011, University of Regina

RYAN MANG, MPA CANDIDATE, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA CAMPUS

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Program Curriculum - Health Systems Management Certificate

This certificate program provides students with a good understanding of the complex issues that will be encountered by those managing health systems in today’s changing health care organizations. It may be of interest either to those currently working in health care administration or to those who want to move into health care administration.

Students must complete:

- > **JSGS 827** - Health Care Organization and Administration (3 credit hrs)

Students must also complete two of the following elective courses (6 credits hrs):

- > **JSGS 817** - Health Policy
- > **JSGS 832** - Population-Based Management
- > **JSGS 833** - Performance Measurement in Health Care Organizations
- > **JSGS 834** - Financial Management in Health Care Organizations
- > **JSGS 837** - Health Economics

Program Curriculum - Public Policy Analysis Certificate

This certificate program provides students with a basic foundation in public policy analysis, development and implementation. Students will develop analytical skills and gain a solid understanding of the basics of public policy implementation and development. It may be of interest either to those directly involved in policy analysis development or to those involved in policy decisions who want to increase their understanding of the overall policy processes.

Students must complete:

- > **JSGS 806** - Public Policy Analysis (3 credit hrs)

Students must also complete two of the following elective courses (6 credits hrs):

- > **JSGS 805** - Economics for Public Policy Analysis
- > **JSGS 818** - Program Evaluation
- > **JSGS 819** - Gender and Public Policy
- > **JSGS 822** - Comparative Public Policy
- > **JSGS 867** - Advanced Policy Analysis

Program Curriculum - Economic Analysis for Public Policy Certificate

This certificate program provides students with the basic skills and techniques for sound economic analysis of public policy along with an understanding of the advantages or disadvantages of various policy models. It is designed for those currently working, or wanting to work, directly in the area of policy analysis in the public sector.

Students must complete:

- > **JSGS 806** - Public Policy Analysis (3 credit hrs)

Students must also complete two of the following elective courses (6 credits hrs):

- > **JSGS 803** - Quantitative Methods for Public Policy
- > **JSGS 805** - Economics for Public Policy Analysis
- > **JSGS 820** - Micro-Economics for Policy Analysis
- > **JSGS 821** - Macro-Economics for Policy Analysis

Admissions Requirements (U of R only)

Applicants interested in entering the Master’s Certificate program must have completed a four-year undergraduate degree with a minimum overall GPA of 70 per cent. There is also a mid-career option for admission, through which prospective students with at least five years of government or non-profit organization management experience may be admitted without an undergraduate degree.

Tuition

Tuition for domestic students in the Master’s Certificate program is approximately \$1,000 per three-credit-unit course. A total of nine credit units (three courses) are required to complete the Master’s Certificate program. Tuition and fees are subject to change.

Application Deadlines

Entry is possible in any semester; however, applications received eight weeks prior to the start of semester will be considered for entry in the following semester.

For more information regarding this program, including courses, pre-requisites and tuition, please visit www.schoolofpublicpolicy.sk.ca