

International Public Affairs and Neuroscience



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Courses	First Year Fall	Credits	Courses	First year Spring	Credits	Courses	First year Summer
PA 850	International Governance (CORE)	3	PA 873	Introduction to Policy Analysis (CORE)	3	NTP 990	Research 3 credits (Begin Research in Thesis Lab)
PA 880	Microeconomic Policy Analysis (CORE)	3	NTP 611	Systems Neuroscience	4		
NTP 610	Cell and Molecular Neuroscience	4	NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	3		
NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	1	NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1		
NTP 700	Professional Development for Biomedical Graduate Students	1	NTP 990	2 Lab Rotations	1		
NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1	NTP 990	Research	3		
NTP 990	Lab Rotation	1					
		Total: 14		Select Ph.D. Thesis Mentor & Thesis Committee	Total: 13		Year 1 Total 30

Courses	Second year Fall	Credits	Courses	Second Year Spring	Credits	Courses	Second Year Summer
PA 818	Introduction to Statistical Methods for Public Policy Analysis (CORE)	3	PA 856 OR PA 854*	Trade, Competition, and Governance in a Global Economy (CORE) OR Macroeconomic Policy and International Financial Regulation (CORE)	3	PA 827**	Administrative Internship 1-3 credits
Elective	Science and Technology Policy Elective	3	Elective	Quantitative Methods or Biomedical Informatics	3		
Elective	Law/Bioethics Elective	3	NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	1		
NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	1	NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1		
NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1	NTP 990	Research	4		
NTP 990	Research	3					
		Total: 14			Total: 12		Year total 27-29

Courses	Third year Fall	Credits	Courses	Third Year Spring	Credits	Courses	Third Year Summer
NTP	Elective	3	PA 850	Workshop in International Public Affairs (CORE)	3	NTP 990	Research 3 cr.
NTP	Elective	3	NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	1		
NTP 660	Neuroscience and Public Policy	1	NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1		
NTP 900	Neuroscience Seminar: Current Topics in Neurobiology	1	NTP 990	Research	8		
NTP 990	Research	4					
		Total: 12			Total: 13		Year total 28

Students can take up to 15 credits a semester but are advised to take 9-13 a semester.

Bolded courses are required for the MIPA program and are only offered once a year. MIPA graduation minimum requirement is 42 credits. Combined, dual and double degree students requirements vary based on program.

Note: Only PA 818: Intro to Statistical Methods for Public Policy Analysis can be used to satisfy La Follette's statistics requirement.

This course plan is intended to serve as a resource for students to ensure they complete all program requirements but is not the only path that students can take. For specific advising questions contact Mo O'Connor at mcoconnor@lafollette.wisc.edu

*Students choose either PA 854 or PA 856 (spring only)

**The internship is worth 1-3 credits

4 cr. of NTP 660, NTP 610 and NTP 611 can contribute 12 cr. toward LFS degree

9 cr. of electives in Science & Technology Policy, Law/Bioethics, and Quantitative Methods or Biomedical Informatics count toward degree.

For an up to date list of La Follette electives, visit the site below.

<https://www.lafollette.wisc.edu/students/advising>

Years 4, 5 & 6 Neuroscience Training Program only. More information including NTP requirements can be found here: <https://nnp.wisc.edu/>

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