UTSA Public Administration

Intent to Pursue Candidacy

The Accelerated Master of Public Administration (AMPA) Program is an alternate path to the MPA degree. It allows students who successfully complete MPA courses in the Public Administration Department as undergraduates to earn the MPA degree with 30 credit hours instead of the normal 39 credit hours.

To be eligible for consideration as a candidate, students must meet the following criteria:

- Completed 60-90 hours of undergraduate coursework at the time the packet is submitted.
- GPA of 3.0 or above.
- Candidacy status is open to all UTSA majors, but students are responsible for ensuring that the MPA courses taken as an undergraduate will be accepted into their undergraduate program of study. For Bachelor of Public Administration and Policy students, the three MPA courses will count in section B., Prescribed Courses, of the degree requirements.

If accepted as a candidate, the student will enroll in these three MPA courses during their final year in their undergraduate program: PAD 5003, PAD 5303, and PAD 5323.

If those courses are successfully completed with a grade of B or better, students may then apply to the AMPA program, per the instructions in the UTSA Graduate Catalog.

How to Submit Form: Submit completed form to Vickie Stuart at victoria.stuart@utsa.edu.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Term: ◯ Fall ◯ Spring ◯ Summer Year: _____ Banner ID: _____ abc123: _____

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

Phone Number: _____ Preferred Email: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Total Credit Hours Earned: _____

Why are you interested in the AMPA program? (300-400 words)

APPROVALS

_____ / _____ / ☐ Approve ☐ Deny

Graduate Advisor of Record Print Name *Date*

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Department Chair Print Name *Date*