

Public Leadership (MPL)

The Executive Master of Public Leadership (MPL) degree is designed for 21st century public leaders to cultivate modern-day leadership skills. The program combines substantial coursework, interaction with high-performing leaders, and simulations to help executives raise the bar on their own personal brand of leadership for the public they serve.

Graduate Handbook

Graduate handbook information is updated and maintained by each program. Graduate handbooks are available within each program's office and [online](#). Please contact the program with concerns or questions.

Admission

All applicants to the MPL program must satisfy the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies' general requirements for admission except an official score on the Graduate Record Examinations General Test (GRE). MPL admission decisions also include consideration of the quality of an applicant's work experience, the applicant's reasons for attending an executive program, letters of recommendation from employment supervisors, and an interview with the MPL program director. All admissions decisions will be made by the GSC for Public Leadership.

Applicants admitted to the program must submit a [nonrefundable enrollment deposit](#) to secure enrollment in the program. Information is available [online](#) and by email (%20lbgadmit@austin.utexas.edu).

Total Hours Required: 30

Requirements

The Executive Master of Public Leadership (MPL) is a 12-month degree program designed for mid-career professionals who seek promotions to leadership positions within their organizations. The program takes one year to complete. Students enroll in four consecutive terms (two summer terms, one fall term, and one spring term). Students will begin the program in the first Summer Term and end in the following Spring Term. Attendance in all four terms is required. Cohorts do not overlap.

Students will complete the 10 required courses following the order in which they are offered and present their professional Research Capstone project during their final semester and at the conclusion of all coursework. Students attend the in-person portion of the program during one weekend a month. The remaining course hours can be completed online in the evenings. All courses required for program completion are offered in accordance with University policies that govern non-formula-funded (Option III) programs.

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Code	Title	Hours
All students must also follow the following requirements and policies:		
Graduate Public Affairs Requirements		
Graduate University Requirements		