INTERNATIONAL IMPACT EVALUATION, MPA

The International Impact Evaluation major equips MPA students with skills in quantitative program evaluation and economic development.

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The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2026 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

Curriculum

Degree requirements

Code	Title	Course Units
Required Courses		
GAFL 6110	Statistics for Public Policy	1
GAFL 6210	Public Economics	1
GAFL 6310	Policymaking Under Constraints	1
GAFL 5220	Applied Impact and Performance Evaluation for International Development	1
GAFL 6400	Program Evaluation and Data Analysis	1
GAFL 5310	Data Science for Public Policy	1
GAFL 7980	MPA Capstone I	0
GAFL 7990	MPA Capstone II	1
GAFL 8990	Public Administration Internship	0
Choose 2 from the following: [1]		2
GAFL 5320	International Development Policy Research Shop	
GAFL 5350	International Policy and Security Seminar	
GAFL 5900	Use and Misuse of Data for Policy Challenges	
PSCI 6104	Political Economy of Development	
PSCI 7991	Selected Topics in Political Science	
Capstone project relating to international development		
Total Course Units		**9**

1. Or another pre-approved graduate-level course involving quantitative methods, economics, or international development
2. Students may count up to one non-Fels course as long as the course has been pre-approved by the Fels Academic Committee.

First Year

Fall		Course Units
GAFL 6110	Statistics for Public Policy	1
GAFL 6210	Public Economics	1
GAFL 6310	Policymaking Under Constraints	1
GAFL 5220	Applied Impact and Performance Evaluation for International Developmen	1
	Course Units	**4.00**
Spring		
GAFL 6400	Program Evaluation and Data Analysis	1
GAFL 5310	Data Science for Public Policy	1
Select 2 Pre-Approved Electives Courses		2
GAFL 7980	MPA Capstone I	0
	Course Units	**4.00**
Summer		
GAFL 7990	MPA Capstone II	1
GAFL 8990	Public Administrati Internship	0
	Course Units	**1.00**
	Total Course Units	**9.00**