

PUBLIC FINANCE, CERTIFICATE

55-0000 Military Specific Occupations

The Certificate in Public Finance allows students to learn how to promote economic growth at the community, organizational, and policy levels, while also gaining fundamental competencies of effective financial management needed to work in public finance. Elective coursework focuses on advancing equity and inclusion in development, and how to use data and analysis to make informed financial decisions.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

For more information: <https://www.fels.upenn.edu/certificates/certificate-public-finance> (<https://www.fels.upenn.edu/certificates/certificate-public-finance/>)

Curriculum

The Certificate in Public Finance requires 4 course units, including 2 course units of foundational courses and 2 course units of electives: one from the economic growth focus, and one from the public finance focus.

Course information

Code	Title	Course Units
Foundational Courses		
Select 2 foundational courses from the following:		2
GAFL 6210	Public Economics	
	or GAFL 6222 Economic Principles of Public Policy	
GAFL 5280	Critical Issues in Public Finance	
	or GAFL 6511 Financial Management of Public and Nonprofit Organizations	
Economic Growth Elective		
Select 1 elective from the following:		1
GAFL 5060	The Problem of Jobs: The Philadelphia Story	
GAFL 5690	The Politics of Housing and Community Development	
Public Finance Elective		
Select 1 elective from the following:		1
GAFL 5170	Quantitative Tools for Consulting	
GAFL 5290	Nonprofit Financial Management	
GAFL 6520	Financial Management of Public and Nonprofit Organizations	
Total Course Units		4

A course may only be counted toward one certificate, and Fels MPA and EMPA students may count no more than two core MPA courses may count toward a certificate. Electives are subject to change; please consult the Fels website for the most up to date list of electives.

Disclosure information required by the US Department of Education for Gainful Employment Programs

United States Department of Labor's Standard Occupational Code (SOC) (<https://www.bls.gov/soc/>)

11-3031 Financial Managers
13-1111 Management Analysts
13-2011 Accountants and Auditors
13-2031 Budget Analysts