

GRADUATE CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

SUMMER SCHOOL 2008

SESSION 1 June 2— July 11

PPA 577 PUBLIC SECTOR HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (10770)

(ROOM SPA -112) Taught by Professor Ed Martin (Tues.& Thur. 6:00-9:45 PM)

The historical development of the civil service/merit system and how this impacts public personnel systems; laws which affect the operation of a personnel system; analysis of the various components of a personnel system; impact of labor negotiations on personnel systems; importance of written policies and procedures; and role of the personnel system as a change agent.

PPA 571 LEADERSHIP SKILLS & STRATEGIES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

(10523) (ROOM ET -103) Taught by Professor Edward Martin (Sat. & Sun. 8:30-5:30PM)

(June 7, 8, 21, 22 — July 5, 6)

Increasingly, urban governments are being criticized for a "lack of leadership" and an inability to move their bureaucracies toward solutions to complex problems. This course examines the theories of administrative leadership and the strategic application of leadership skills in an urban-government environment. Students also will review current approaches to organizational excellence and its applicability to urban-government leadership.

PPA 590 M – MICROECONOMICS AND PUBLIC POLICY (11145)

(ROOM ET -103)

Taught by Professor William Moore, PH.D. (Tues.& Thur. 6:00-9:45 PM)

This course covers the key principles of microeconomics such as supply, demand, and market processes. Further, it provides extensive coverage of topics that concern public sector decisions, such as public goods, externalities, welfare analysis, and cost-benefit analysis. The course will strive to analyze the societal effects of these decisions, examine the economic arguments of the different public choices, and offer real-world issues that will help motivate students to learn microeconomics. Note: this course will satisfy the advancement to candidacy economics prerequisite.

PPA 670 SEMINAR ON PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS (10604) (ROOM SPA-

208) Taught by Professor John Ostrowski (Tues.& Thur. 6:00-9:45 PM)

This course introduces theories and approaches to policy analysis and a working knowledge of the skills involved in that practice. The core of the course follows the policy analysis cycle and includes: problem recognition, problem definition, development of alternative solutions, analysis of alternatives, selection of policy options, policy implementation and evaluation.

SESSION 3 July 14-August 22

PPA 555 PUBLIC BUDGETING AND FINANCE (11426) (ROOM SPA-112)

Taught Professor David Powell (Tues. 6:00-9:45 PM) Thur. TBA Instructions via Blackboard

Public Budgeting focuses on the formulation phase in the budget cycle. The course presents the major concepts and skills associated with budget preparation for all levels of government. Topics include: budget processes and structures, fundamental principles of public finance, economic growth and fiscal impacts, basic principle accounting, budget formats, performance measurement, fiscal condition and stress, revenue sources and structures, estimation and forecasting, capital budgeting and evaluating public projects, and fiscal federalism.

PPA 660 SEMINAR ON ORGANIZATION THEORY & BEHAVIOR (11146)

Taught by Professor David Powell (Mon. & Wed. 6:00-9:45PM) (ROOM ET- 103)

This course offers an overview of principles and concepts of, as well as the major intellectual contribution to, the study of organization theory and behavior. Emphasis is on the interdependence of theory and practice, and how each informs the other in the everyday practice of public administration.

PPA 697 DIRECTED RESEARCH (10520) Taught by Professor John Ostrowski (TBA) (ET 250) SESSION 1

PREREQUISITES: Consent of Center graduate advisor, advancement to candidacy. The definition, presentation and discussion of selected problems in public administration.

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