THE BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL
The Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy was established in 1992 to prepare students to be the leaders of tomorrow, conduct cutting-edge, policy-relevant research and scholarship, cultivate leadership and public engagement and community service, and to address the crucial policy issues of our time. The school fosters a highly-collaborative academic, scholarly and professional environment, where the disciplines of urban planning, public policy, public health, and health administration closely converge.

UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR in PUBLIC POLICY
(Bachelor of Science Degree)
The major in public policy (833, 833D) prepares students for entry-level jobs in government, politics and public affairs within the public, non-profit, or private sectors, or for graduate education in law, politics, public administration, public affairs, and public policy.

The major introduces students to the use of analytical techniques to better understand public problems and evaluate alternative solutions to those problems. Examples of such problems include income inequality, the cost of health care, climate change, and the lack of an immigration policy.

PREREQUISITES (12-13 cr)
• 220:102 Intro to Microeconomics (3) or 11:375:121 Principles and Applications of Microeconomics (3)
• 355:101 Expository Writing (3)
• 762:205 Basic Statistical Methods (4) or pre-approved equivalent (3)
• 790:104 American Government (3)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (43 cr total)
Effective January 1, 2017
Core (28 cr)
• 833:210 Principles of Public Policy (3)
• 833:215 Writing, Reasoning and Public Policy (3)
• 833:220 Public Economic Policy (3)
• 775:300 Writing for Professionals (3)
• One of the following (3):
  • 775:360 Principles of Public Management
  • 833:361 Managing People and Organizations
  • 833:362 Non-Profit Management
• 775:395 Research Methods (4) – Prerequisite: A 300-level writing course; open to majors only
• 775:450 Leadership Seminar (3) – Open to majors only; min. 85 credits
• *775:499 Professional Practice Internship (6) – Prerequisites: 775:395 Research Methods and 775:450 Leadership Seminar; open to majors only

Electives (15 cr)**
In addition to completing the basic requirements, students select 12 credits of electives in one of three areas of concentration, and an additional 3 credit elective:

Poverty and Inequality (12 cr)
• 833:325 U.S. Education Policy (3)
• 833:330 Global Poverty (3)
• 833:231 Poverty in the United States (3)
• 833:310 U.S. Housing Policy (3)
• 833:324 Social Movements (3)
• 833:331 U.S. Social Policy (3)
• 833:335 Gender, Family and Public Policy (3)
• 833:419 Immigration Policy (3)
• 762:307 Community Development (3)

Health and Environment (12 cr)
• 833:302 Sexual and Reproductive Health Policy (3)
• 833:338 Health and Public Policy (3)
• 833:340 Aging and Public Policy (3)
• 833:416 Mental Health and Society (3)
• 832:212 Health Disparities (3)
• 832:235 Urban Health (3)
• 832:320 Protecting Public Health & the Environment (3)
• 832:350 Drugs, Culture and Society (3)
• 832:405 Cancer and Society (3)

** Students may also create their own public policy concentration, such as military policy, science policy, or technology policy, with written pre-approval from the undergraduate director.

PUBLIC MANAGEMENT (12 cr)^
• 762:317 Urban Municipal Management
• 843:315 Admin. Law and Ethical Management

^The following three courses; one fulfills the core requirement and two fulfill the concentration requirements, hence the concentration is 12 cr.

• 775:360 Principles of Public Management
• 833:361 Managing People and Organizations
• 833:362 Non-Profit Management

An additional 3 credit elective

UNDERGRADUATE MINOR in PUBLIC POLICY
(21-22 cr)
Students must complete 12-13 credits of required courses and three elective courses (9 cr), two of which (6 cr) must be upper division courses. Students should declare the public policy minor with the School of Arts and Sciences; they need not apply for minor status with the Bloustein School. Only courses with a grade of “C” or better can be counted toward the minor.

• 775:101 Introduction to Planning, Policy & Health (3)
• 762:205 Basic Statistical Methods or equivalent (3-4)
• 833:210 Principles of Public Policy (3)
• 833:220 Public Economic Policy (3)

^ Students with a minimum 3.4 cumulative GPA may replace 775:499 with 10:833:495, 496 Public Policy Honors Thesis I and II (3, 3) or 833:497, 498 Bloustein Honors Research (3,3).
JOINT BA OR BS/MPP PROGRAM
Exceptional, well-prepared students who wish to pursue graduate studies in public policy are encouraged to seek advising about the 3-1-1 Master of Public Policy (MPP) program at the Bloustein School.

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (SAS) and SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES (SEBS) STUDENTS (833)
Students in the School of Arts and Sciences (SAS) and students in the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences (SEBS) who wish to remain in their primary unit must apply for admission prior to declaring the major.

SAS students may pursue Public Policy as their first major and remain within SAS. SEBS students may pursue Public Policy as a second major in order to remain within SEBS. SAS and SEBS students can apply for the Public Policy major by visiting http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/major-application.

Applicants must have achieved a minimum grade of "C" or better in each of the prerequisite courses and be in good academic standing.

Students are advised to declare the Public Policy major no later than their first semester of junior year to ensure completion of the major by their anticipated graduation date.

Only courses with "C" or better may be counted towards the public policy major, and students must complete the general education requirements for SAS. The degree is awarded jointly by the Bloustein School and the School of Arts and Sciences.

TRANSFER STUDENTS (833D)
Current Rutgers students seeking a school-to-school transfer from another Rutgers unit, or students transferring to Rutgers from another college or university, must apply via the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. For a school-to-school transfer visit www ugadmissions.rutgers.edu/SchoolToSchool/auth.aspx. If you are transferring from outside of Rutgers, visit admissionservices.rutgers.edu/ugrad/.

Transfer students from New Jersey community colleges are encouraged to complete lower division prerequisite courses and the Associate's Degree in order to benefit from articulation agreements.

Transfer students seeking the Public Policy major must have at least 30 credits before applying to the Bloustein School. Successful applicants will have completed the prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better, and have achieved an overall GPA of at least 2.5.

This program is designed to accommodate the needs of transfer and nontraditional students. To learn more on how to apply, admission requirements, and academic policies, please visit the major homepage: bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate/publicpolicy.

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Only courses with "C" or better may be counted towards program requirements. Upon completing the major, all General Education requirements*, and a minimum of 120 credits in good academic standing, the student will receive the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree from the Bloustein School.

* General Education Requirements (27 cr)
For students transferring to the Bloustein School (school-to-school and external transfers)
- Expository Writing or equivalent (3) FULFILLED BY PREREQUISITE
- An intensive writing course (3) FULFILLED WITHIN THE MAJOR
- College-level math (3)
- Two, 3-credit Science courses (3, 3)
- Two, 3-credit Arts & Humanities courses (3, 3)
- One, 3-credit course in History (3)
- One, 3-credit Diversity course (3)