# Public Policy Analysis Certificate

1. **Level One Coursework (6 credits)**
   
   Covers theories, processes, models, and methods of policy analysis.
   
   - POLS 235: Public Policy Concepts & Processes
   - POLS 236: Public Policy Analysis: Methods & Models

2. **Level Two Coursework – Take 1 (3 credits)**
   
   Examines the interpersonal, interagency, and inter-group communication processes within which policymaking occurs.
   
   - POLS 261: Conflict Resolution
   - COMM 211: Intercultural Communication
   - COMM 371: Communication in Negotiation & Conflict Resolution
   - COMM 375: Theories of Persuasion

3. **Level Three Coursework – Take 2 (6 credits)**
   
   Apply models, methods, and the understanding of the policy process in a substantive policy arena. Take two courses within one policy area. **This is not an exhaustive list of course options for the certificate. Students may work with the certificate coordinator to create a specialized plan of study for this level if they are interested in another area of policy not listed below.**

   **Community (Urban & Rural) Policy**
   - AECN 376: Rural Community Economics
   - CRPL 300: The Community & the Future
   - CRPL 460: Planning & Design in the Built Environment
   - ECON 340: Introduction to Urban-Regional Economics
   - GEOG 283: Space, the Environment, & You
   - GEOG 361: Urban Geography
   - HIST 344: American Urban & Social History II
   - POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (community focus)

   **Comparative/International Policy**
   - CRIM 475: International Criminology & Criminal Justice
   - CRPL 481: Planning in Developing Countries
   - GEOG 372: European Landscapes & Cultures
   - GEOG 378: Geography of Latin America
   - ECON 388: Comparative Economic Systems
   - ECON 423: Economics of the Less Developed Countries
   - POLS 361: The U.N. & World Politics
   - POLS 363: U.S. Foreign Policy

   **Criminal Justice Policy**
   - CRIM 331: Criminal Law
   - CRIM 335: Criminology
   - CRIM 337: Juvenile Delinquency*
   - CRIM 338: Race, Ethnicity & Criminal Justice
   - CRIM 339: Women, Crime, & Justice
   - CRIM 403: Organization & Administration
   - CRIM 413: Sociology of Deviant Behavior**
   - CRIM 435: Community-Based Corrections
   - CRIM 450: Drugs & Crime
   - CRIM 475: International Criminology & Criminal Justice
   - PSYC 430: Psychology of Family Violence

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SOCI 311: Sociology of Juvenile Delinquency*
SOCI 474: Sociology of Deviance**

Cultural/Ethnic Policy
CRIM 338: Race, Ethnicity & Criminal Justice
GERO 469: Working with Minority Elderly
HIST 333: Jews in the Modern World
HIST 464: Native American History: Selected Topics (policy focus)
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (cultural/ethnic focus)
POLS 476: Ethnic Conflict & Identity
PSYC 425: Psychology of Racism
SOCI 481: Minority Groups
TEAC 330: Multicultural Education

Drug Policy
CRIM 450: Drugs & Crime
CYAF 446: Addiction & Families
SOCI 309: Drugs & Society

Economic Policy
AECN 425: Agricultural Marketing in a Multinational Environment
ECON 321: Introduction to International Economics
ECON 322: Introduction to Development Economics
ECON 423: Economics of the Less Developed Countries
ECON 471: Public Finance
ECON 481: Economics of the Labor Market
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (economic focus)
POLS 459: International Political Economy

Education Policy
ALEC 424: Foundations of Career & Technical Education
TEAC 330: Multicultural Education
TEAC 331: School & Society
TEAC 431: Studies in the Foundations of Education
GERO 410: Educational Gerontology
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (education focus)
SOCI 460: Education & Society

Environmental Policy
AECN 357: Natural Resources & Environmental Law
AECN 445: Agricultural & Natural Resources Policy
AECN 456: Environmental Law
AECN 457: Water Law
AECN 465: Resource & Environmental Economics II
AGRO 450: Climate & Society
AGRO 475: Water Quality Strategy
CRPL 470: Environmental Planning & Policy
CRPL 471: Environmental Impact Assessment
ENVR 319: Environmental Engagement & the Community
HIST 346: North American Environmental History
NRES 323: Natural Resource Policy
NRES 484: Water Resources Seminar
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (environmental focus)

Family Policy
CYAF 488: Child & Family Policy
CYAF 495: Special Topics in Family & Cultural Diversity (policy focus)
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (family focus)
PSYC 430: Psychology of Family Violence
PSYC 489: Child Behavior & Development
SOCI 444: Social Demography
SOCI 448: Family Diversity

Gender Policy
CRIM 339: Women, Crime, & Justice
POLS 338: Women & Politics
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (gender focus)
PSYC 421: Psychology of Gender
PSYC 471: Human Sexuality & Society
SOCI 490: Sociology of Gender
SOCW 486: Women’s Issues & Sexism

Gerontology Policy
GERO 410: Educational Gerontology
GERO 435: Issues in Aging
GERO 447: Mental Health & Aging
GERO 450: Legal Aspects of Aging
GERO 451: Long-term Care Administration
GERO 455: Health Aspects of Aging
GERO 467: Programs & Services for the Elderly
GERO 469: Working with Minority Elderly
GERO 492: Special Studies in Gerontology (policy focus)

Health Policy
COMM 354: Health Communication
GERO 447: Mental Health & Aging
GERO 455: Health Aspects of Aging
NUTR 356: Nutrition Education in the Community
NUTR 401: Health Behavior
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (health focus)
PSYC 428: Health Psychology
SOCI 353: Sociology of Health Care & Health Professions

GERO 455: Health Aspects of Aging
GERO 467: Programs & Services for the Elderly
GERO 469: Working with Minority Elderly
GERO 492: Special Studies in Gerontology (policy focus)

Immigration Policy
CRIM 338: Race, Ethnicity & Criminal Justice
ETHN 481: Minority Groups
PSYC 310: Psychology of Immigration
PSYC 330: Psychology of Diversity
POLS 333: Immigration & Politics

Social Policy
POLS 426: Topics in American Public Policy (social focus)
PSYC 310: Psychology of Immigration
PSYC 483: Psychology of Social Behavior
PSYC 489: Child Behavior & Development
SOCI 474: Sociology of Deviance
SOCI 480: Social Inequality: Stratification & Life Chances

4. Level Four – Internship Requirement (3 credits)
Fieldwork in a government or non-profit agency relating to their issue area of expertise and involving policy analysis.
POLS 395: Internship in Political Science

5. Total credit hours required: 18

For more information on the Public Policy Analysis Certificate (PPAC), students should contact Carmen Kelle, Department of Political Science, Oldfather Hall 530. Students enrolled in the PPAC will need to work with the policy analysis coordinator to set up a plan of study.