

Graduate Programs

College for Design and Social Inquiry

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

Major: Public Administration

Important information about applying to Graduate School:

- ✓ **Transcripts:** Submit official transcripts in sealed envelopes from all schools attended.
NOTE: If you attended one of the Florida State University System institutions, transcripts may be requested electronically.
- ✓ **Supporting documentation:** Supplemental documents should be uploaded as separate files as part of the online graduate admissions application. NOTE: You will not be able to submit your application until all the supplemental materials are uploaded.
- ✓ **Conduct:** A "yes" answer to either of the conduct questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is under review. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are cleared.
- ✓ **Application status:** Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.
NOTE: Application status will say incomplete until an admission decision has been made.
- ✓ **Residency classification:** Your residency classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will request additional documents by email if needed.



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Application Deadlines

Domestic Students

Fall: February 15

Spring: August 15

No Summer acceptance

International Students

Fall: February 15

Spring: August 15

No Summer acceptance

Admission Requirements

Domestic Students

- Graduate GPA of 3.5
- GRE test score of 150 Verbal, 150 Quantitative, with minimum score of 4.5 on analytical writing section
- Three letters of recommendation; academic sources are preferred
- Resume, two samples of academic writing, and a statement of intent and interests

International Students

- Graduate GPA of 3.5
- GRE test score of 150 Verbal, 150 Quantitative, with minimum score of 4.5 on analytical writing section
- Three letters of recommendation; academic sources are preferred
- Resume, two samples of academic writing, and a statement of intent and interests
- A general evaluation of international transcripts is required; FAU will do the evaluation or it must be done by a NACES member
- TOEFL score of 580 or IBT of 92-93