

# PUBLIC POLICY, B.S.

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**Begin Campus:** Any Penn State Campus

**End Campus:** Harrisburg

## Program Learning Objectives

1. **Understand Political Processes and Government Operations at National, State & Local Levels**
  - a. Understand Constitutional Foundations, Institutions & Political Processes in the U.S.
  - b. Understand Role of States in Federal System and Local Governments within States
  - c. Understand Operation of Government Agencies
2. **Understand and Analyze Policy Creation Process, Policy Implementation & Policy Impact**
  - a. Understand Roles of Legislatures, Agencies & Interest Groups in Policy Formation
  - b. Attain Familiarity with Selected Public Policies and Their Impact
  - c. Acquire Ability to Analyze Critically the Content and Impact of Public Policies
3. **Be Prepared to Function in Policy-Related Careers in Government and NGOs**
  - a. Ability to Write Clearly and Concisely
  - b. Ability to Communicate Effectively Using Oral Skills and Technology
  - c. Knowledge of Leadership Qualities and Strategies
  - d. Ability to Function Successfully in Policy-Related Work Environments
  - e. Ability to Understand Research Methods and Use Statistics
  - f. Knowledge of Microeconomics and Macroeconomics