

UConn Fast-Track Program



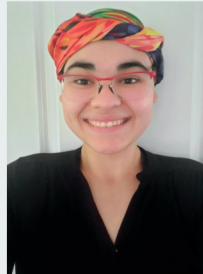
Make an Impact

Accelerate Completion of Your Master's Degree

The Fast-Track program allows UConn undergraduates to accelerate completion of a Master of Public Administration (MPA), Master of Public Policy (MPP), and other master's degrees by taking graduate-level courses as a junior or senior. This is an excellent opportunity for undergraduates interested in careers in the public and nonprofit sectors or in the survey research industry.

- Open to all majors at any campus.
- No additional cost to your undergraduate tuition.
- Save time and money: if planned properly, students can obtain their graduate degree in just one additional year after completing their bachelor's degree.
- Graduate courses can count toward undergraduate degree requirements. Check with your advisor.
- Courses offered evenings and online!

Hear from Fast-Track Alumni!



Yahaira Escribano, MPA 2019

Undergraduate Major:
Urban and Community Studies

**Finance and Programs Officer -
Hartford Land Bank**

"I decided to pursue my MPA as a Fast-Track student from the UConn School of Public Policy because I discovered how powerful and impactful policies truly were after taking a public policy course. From then on I knew I wanted to pursue a career around creating and influencing equitable policies and programs for my community."



Jase Olavarria, MPA 2022

Undergraduate majors:
Urban and Community Studies (Honors)
and Political Science

**Neighborhood Commercial District
Consultant - City of Springfield, MA**

"The Fast-Track program was challenging as I had to manage undergrad, honors and graduate work simultaneously but it helped prepare me for the full rigor of full-time graduate study. It also allowed me to investigate my passions further within public service so I can be better informed on where I see myself within this sector upon graduation. I enjoyed the community the Fast-Track program fostered as it allowed me to connect with new undergraduate students I would not have met otherwise, and build strong connections with these individuals that would support me in completing my master's degree."



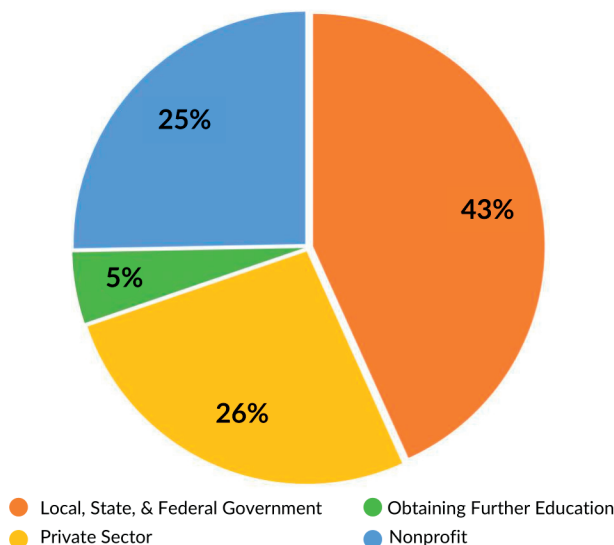
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Career Development and Outcomes

Our degree programs, coupled with our experiential learning requirements, provide you with the skills to succeed within the public sector and provide relevant practice in searching and applying for roles within the sector. In order to graduate, students must complete approved internship programs and have support from school staff throughout the application and internship process. Fast-Track students have the ability to complete their final year of the program at no additional cost, and even earn a stipend! Current students are provided career development, mentoring, and networking opportunities throughout their time as a Husky and beyond.

After completing our academically rigorous programs, UConn School of Public Policy alumni go on to successful careers where they make a lasting impact in the communities they serve. Our 1000+ alumni are leaders in public, nonprofit, and private sectors across Connecticut, the nation, and the globe - all while eagerly serving as mentors to your future. Below is just a snapshot of where SPP alumni have gone post-graduation!

MPA and MPP Careers 2018-2021



Interested in Applying?

Apply through the Graduate School online application!

- No fee and no test scores necessary
- Unofficial Transcript
- Current Resume
- 2-3 page double-spaced personal statement

Applications are accepted on a rolling-basis.



Grace Brangwynne, MPA 2022

Undergraduate major:
Political Science

**Regional Project Coordinator
Ned for CT**

"My Fast-Track experience made it convenient for me to complete my graduate studies simultaneously with my undergraduate coursework. I enjoyed the discussion-centric structure of each class and the close bonds I forged with my professors and fellow students. The Fast-Track program makes it effortless to transition into full-time graduate study and provided me with abundant networking opportunities."

