FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Graduate Programs  Department School of Public Administration  College Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters		UGPC Approval UFS Approval Banner Catalog
Program Name		New Program*	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR)
Master of Public	lministration	<b>✓</b> Change Program*	Fall 2021
Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.			
[Please see attached] Admission Requirements Applicants to the Master of Public Administration program must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Applicants who do not meet the 3.0 GPA requirement must submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores that are no more than five years old.  International applicants for whom English is a second language must score 550 (IBT 79-80) or higher on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). A graduate of a college or university outside of the United States who has completed an academic program equivalent to an American bachelor's degree may apply for admission to the M.P.A. program. All international applicants whose transcripts are from non-U.S. institutions must have their credentials evaluated course by course, including the GPA, by a professional evaluation service. A service may be found at www.NACES.org.  All applicants must have successfully completed ("C" or better) an undergraduate statistics course before applying for the M.P.A. program.			
*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.  Faculty Contact/Email/Phone  Consult and list departments that may be affected by			
,	son2@fau.edu 561-297-4569	the change(s) and attach documentation  N/A	
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## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants to the Master of Public Administration program must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.250 on a 4.0 scale for the final 60 credits of undergraduate study. Applicants who do not meet the 3.250 GPA requirement must submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores that are no more than five years old.

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All applicants must have three letters of recommendation submitted on their behalf and each recommendation must be submitted via the M.P.A. online application system. Letters from professors from the colleges/universities attended are preferred; where that is not feasible, letters from current or past work supervisors are accepted. The recommender must address the applicant's ability to succeed at graduate-level academic work in public administration. (Personal recommendations are not accepted.)

The applicant must submit an essay about the her/his personal background, career aspirations in public service (including future career goals), and the reason(s) for pursuing graduate study in public administration. The essay should demonstrate graduate-level writing competency and should be written by the applicant. It should be at least three pages in length.

Admission is competitive. Applicants meeting the minimum university and/or program application requirements are not guaranteed admission to the program. All requested material must be submitted by the established deadline date (February 1 for summer admission, May 1 for fall admission and October 1 for spring admission). Materials received after the established deadline will not be considered; therefore, make sure that all application materials are in order before applying to the M.P.A. program.