

Distinction in Public Policy

Requirements:

- Completion of **50 quarter-hours credit** of Public Policy courses, including:
 - (1) Required Core Courses: Hard Choices in Public Policy; Power and Policy: The History of Modern American Public Policy; The Supreme Court and Public Policy; Federal Budgetary Policy; Analytical and Critical Skills in Public Policy (25 credit hours total)
 - (2) Advanced Elective Courses in Public Policy, such as: Medical Policy; The Public Policy of Money and Finance; Environmental Policy; National Security Policy; The Public Policy of Entitlements and Taxation; Comparative Public Policy (12 credit hours minimum)
 - (3) Additional approved Public Policy electives, as required
- Completion of **Senior Analytical Policy Memorandum**: topic to be selected in coordination with faculty advisor and approved by the Director, on a topic of current policy relevance. Policy memorandum to be written utilizing guidelines delineated in: *A Practical Guide to Policy Analysis The Eightfold Path to More Effective Problem Solving*, by Eugene Bardach. (Congressional Quarterly Press, 2005) (4 credit hours Independent Study)
- **Presentation and Defense of Policy Memorandum** to three-person faculty panel
- **Double Major Requirement**: Completion of second undergraduate major
- **Grade Average Requirement**: 3.75 GPA in Public Policy; 3.5 GPA cumulative DU GPA