

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA) ACADEMIC STANDARDS

The following are academic standards for students enrolled in the MPA program at the School of Public Affairs:

- To be eligible for a graduate degree from ASU, the student must achieve a GPA of 3.0 or better for all courses at the graduate level or above (500 or higher) and a GPA of 3.0 on all courses that appear on the **Program of Study**.
- Dismissal from the MPA program will be recommended by the MPA Committee if a student has received three (3) "C" and/or lower grades in course work taken *after* admission to the program.
- No more than two (2) "C" grades in core courses will be permitted to be used on the **MPA Program of Study**.
- Per Graduate College policy, "Grades of 'D' or 'E' cannot be used to meet the requirements for a graduate degree, although they are used to compute the GPAs. A student receiving a 'D' or 'E' must repeat the course in a regularly scheduled (not an independent study) class if it is to be included in the program of study."
- No student may have more than two (2) incompletes at any one time. A student will be barred from taking further course work until one or more of the incompletes is removed.
- All work used toward the MPA degree program must be completed within six (6) consecutive years.
- Students are eligible for membership in Pi Alpha Alpha once 21 hours of course work in the MPA program have been completed and the student has maintained a GPA of 3.8 or higher. Pi Alpha Alpha is the National Honor Society for Public Administration.

Arizona State University academic standards and policies can be obtained from the ASU Graduate Catalog which is available on the Internet at http://www.asu.edu/graduate/fr_catalog.html. Students are encouraged to attain a copy or browse the catalog on-line.