





At the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, we know that doing good takes more than good intentions.

It takes fearless questioning of conventional wisdom. It takes facing the facts—gathering the data of how things *are*—to make things *better*. At Harris Public Policy, we teach you how to turn your passion into proven social impact by developing solutions that work.



# Why Harris Public Policy?

Combining a strong foundation in data analysis with real-world engagement in Chicago and beyond, you'll investigate the world's problems, challenge the easy answers, and confront the real issues by following the evidence.

#### **Data-Driven Decisions**

Whether your background is econ or English, at a food bank or the World Bank, we'll teach you to make smarter, data-driven decisions that lead to real change.

At the University of Chicago, you'll learn from world-renowned faculty who spearhead innovative policy research, determine how to prevent police misconduct, stop lead poisoning in children, and reveal why nations fail. You'll learn the latest methods for modeling and analysis, and uncover new perspectives on enduring issues. You'll figure out what's best for society—and get it done.

#### **Student Body**

Female	Male
<b>51</b> %	49%
International	US
<b>53</b> %	47%

24

**Countries** (excluding US)

#### Top 3 countries

- China
- Japan
- Mexico

28

#### States

(including DC)

#### Top 3 states

- Illinois
- California
- New York



#### Top 3 undergraduate majors

- Economics
- Political science
- International relations



"Combine the academics with all the city of Chicago has to offer and the robust alumni network—it's such a compelling value proposition."

> CRAIG WARREN, AM'95 Chief Operating Officer Greater Twin Cities United Way

## Plan a personalized path for maximum impact.



Whether you choose to enter the public, private, or nonprofit sector, Harris Public Policy degrees, courses, and career support will help you achieve success on your terms. Whatever your passion, we'll guide you toward impact.

#### Core

In core courses, gain the analytical foundation that prepares you to make data-driven decisions now and throughout your career.

- · Decisions and Organizations
- Political Economy for Public Policy
- Political Institutions and the Policy Process
- · Principles of Microeconomics and Public Policy I and II
- Statistical Methods for Policy Research I and II

#### **Electives**

Broaden your perspectives through elective courses at Harris and in other schools and divisions, including the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Law School, and Division of the Social Sciences.

Recent electives include:

- Education Policy in an International Context
- Financing Local and State Governments
- · Law: The New Jim Crow
- · Work and Family Policy
- · Why Nations Fail

#### **Immersion**

Confront issues arising in Chicago and around the world through internships, practica, international partnerships, Harris Policy Labs, one-on-one mentoring, and other experiential learning opportunities.

#### Community

At Harris, you join a diverse community of students from around the globe who will challenge you and champion you. With opportunities from Harris Happy Hours to Harris Follies to Harris student organizations, you'll find a highly engaged community of like-minded peers.

**Organizations** 

#### Including:

- · Latin America(n) Matters
- Minorities in Public Policy Studies
- Women in Public Policy



With:

Degree **Programs** 

- · Chicago Booth
- · Law School
- · School of Social Service Administration

Centers

#### Including:

- · Center for Municipal Finance
- Crime Lab
- Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago (EPIC)

Gain analytical skills and make an impact on today's policy issues with courses in economics, sociology, political science, statistics, econometrics, political economy, organizational theory, and program evaluation.

#### **MSCAPP**

2 years

#### **Master of Science in Computational Analysis and Public Policy**

Apply big data to big problems to prepare for careers at the intersection of public policy and data science. Offered jointly with the University of Chicago Department of Computer Science.

#### **MSESP** 2 years

#### **Master of Science in Environmental** Science and Policy

Focus on global policy issues, including energy, natural resources, water consumption, and other environmental topics. Offered in conjunction with Argonne National Laboratory.

#### MA

#### **Master of Arts in Public Policy**

1 year

Complement your graduate studies with the fundamental skills of quantitative policy analysis. Earn in conjunction with your primary area of study.

#### **Evening** MA

### **Master of Arts in Public Policy**

Part time 4 quarters

Gain fundamental training in public policy while continuing to work full time.

#### **MACRM**

15 Months

#### Master of Arts in Public Policy with **Certificate in Research Methods**

Prepare for top-tier PhD programs in economics and political science as well as other social sciences, policy, and business.

#### **Faculty and Research**

Harris faculty work at the frontiers of policymaking, asking tough questions and determining solutions for the world's most complex challenges.

▶ Get to know our faculty at harris.uchicago.edu/research-impact/faculty

#### **Financing Your Degree**

Each year, approximately 50 percent of Harris master's students receive scholarships or fellowships. Scholarships range from the Dean's Scholarship, awarded regardless of policy interest, to scholarships for specific areas of study. Additionally, the University provides loan assistance and work-study employment programs to students who demonstrate financial need.

Learn about your financial options at harris.uchicago.edu/admissions/financing-your-degree



"At Harris, I learned how to think critically and apply rigorous quantitative research to policymaking."

AVIVA ROSMAN, AB'10, MPP'16 Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer BallotReady

See all Harris programs at harris.uchicago.edu/academics



### **Harness** the potential of a global city and connect it to the world.

The city of Chicago is an ideal setting for innovation, research, and discovery. And with nearly half of all Harris Public Policy students from outside the United States, a global network is a given.

#### **Real-World Preparation**

Harris Public Policy students study the city where they live, go into the field, and make a lasting impact.

#### **Career Development Office**

The Harris Career Development Office has close relationships with many local, national, and global businesses and institutions.

#### **Mentor Program**

As part of our Mentor Program, every Harris student is paired with a successful professional, often a Harris graduate, on the basis of interests, location, employment sector, and career goals.

#### **Internships and Experiential Learning**

Through internships and experiential learning, you'll apply skills learned in the classroom to real-world issues in the field.

#### **Policy Labs**

In Harris Policy Labs, an opportunity offered to secondyear MPP students, you'll gain hands-on experience working immersively with a Chicago-based client to execute effective policy.

Learn more about Policy Labs at harris.uchicago.edu/HarrisPolicyLabs

#### **Alumni Network**

When you graduate from Harris Public Policy, you join a lifelong network of more than 160,000 University of Chicago alumni living or working on every continent. They serve as mentors to current students and hire recent graduates to make meaningful impact at organizations across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors.

▶ Read Harris alumni stories at harris.uchicago.edu/research-impact/alumni-impact

#### **Careers**

Harris graduates lead successful careers across sectors, throughout the United States, and around the globe. To help students and alumni refine their professional skills and search for career opportunities, the Harris Career Development Office provides a wealth of resources, including:

- · Individual career counseling
- Workshops
- Employer information sessions
- · On-campus recruiting events
- Employment database
- Learn more about career resources at harris.uchicago.edu/student-life/career-development



"On a day-to-day basis-in Chicago, in my district, in committee, on the floor, analyzing policythe skill set I got at Harris is what I use the most."

> MIKE QUIGLEY, AM'85 **US** Representative Fifth District of Illinois

#### 2016 Graduate Career Outcomes

of reporting 2016 graduates secured employment\*

\* Represents percent of students who were seeking employment

Where Graduates Live and Work

Inside the US

#### **Career Sector Breakdown**



**Government Agency** 

#### **Top Policy Areas**

Alumni working in careers related to policy most commonly reported working in the following policy areas.

- 1. Economic policy and public finance
- 2. Urban policy Health policy
- 3. Child and family
- 4. Education policy International policy Politics and policymaking

#### **Job Satisfaction Levels**

Satisfied or very satisfied **Neutral** 

▶ Read the full 2016 Career Outcomes Report at har.rs/2016outcomesreport

### Social impact, down to a science.



"This is the place for serious people with the courage to find and face the facts, take risks, and question the easy answers."

KERWIN CHARLES Edwin A. and Betty L. Bergman Distinguished Service Professor Harris Public Policy



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**Application Deadlines** Early action: November 27, 2017 Round one: January 22, 2018 Round two: March 26, 2018 Apply today at harris.uchicago.edu