

# EDUCATIONAL POLICY STUDIES, MA

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

#### MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW-Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

#### Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement 30 credits

Minimum Residence Credit Requirement 16 credits

Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement 18 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: <https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244> (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/>).

Overall Graduate GPA Requirement 3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: <https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203> (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/>).

Other Grade Requirements n/a

Assessments and Examinations All students will receive an annual written assessment on their progress to degree.

Students must successfully complete a master's thesis paper and defend it at an oral examination.

Language Requirements Contact the program for information on any language requirements.

### REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Introductory Colloquium</b>		
Must take during initial semester or if admitted in spring semester, the following fall.		
ED POL 701	Introduction to Educational Policy Studies	3
<b>Department of Educational Policy Studies</b>		
Students must take at least 18 credits in the Department of Educational Policy Studies (ED POL) (excluding Independent Reading and Research and Thesis).		18
<b>Additional Coursework</b>		
In consultation with advisor, complete coursework to reach the minimum of 30 credit requirement.		9
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>30</b>

Students intending to complete only the MA degree must complete a minimum of 30 graduate-level credits. Students may apply no more than three credits of ED POL 990 Research or Thesis and no more than three credits of ED POL 999 Independent Reading towards the minimum credit requirement for the master's degree.