UNCG MPA Graduate Placements:

Davidson County
(Budget Analyst)

Family Services of the Piedmont
(Case Manager)

Charlotte Community Health Clinic
(Data Analyst)

Forsyth County Superior Court
(Deputy Clerk)

Adult & Disability Transit Services of Rockingham
(Executive Director)

Guilford Child Development
(Grantwriter/Communication Specialist)

Cleveland County (NC)
(ICMA Fellow)

Kate B. Reynolds Foundation
(Program Coordinator)

Piedmont Triad Regional Council
(Regional Planner)

Duke Medical Center
(Resource Coordinator)

Children’s Defense Fund
(Special Assistant, National Organizing and Intergovernmental Affairs)

North Carolina Department of Transportation
(Transportation Coordinator)

City of Durham
(Budget Engagement Coordinator)

Cumberland County (NC)
(NCCCM Management Fellow)

CHESS
(Value Based Contracts Coordinator)

North Carolina Association of Realtors
(GRI Coordinator)

North Carolina League of Municipalities
(Government Affairs Associate)

Resume Brochure

New Graduates & Interns

For more information about our program & students:

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About the MPA Program

The Political Science Department at UNCG offers the Masters of Public Affairs (MPA) degree for full-time and part-time students interested in professional positions in public service. The MPA is an applied, practice-based program that provides students with advanced, practical training for work in public and nonprofit organizations. The program offers three concentrations: Community and Economic Development; Local Government Management; and, Nonprofit Management.

Degree Requirements

The MPA degree requires 40 semester hours of coursework; for students who have no significant public service experience and need to complete an internship, the degree requires 43 semester hours of coursework.

Job-Seeking Students

Antonio Powell graduates in May 2020 from the MPA program. He currently works as the Campaign and Events Coordinator for UNC School of the Arts. He has professional experience in event management, nonprofit fundraising and development, project management, marketing, and customer service. He is interested in working in local government management, community engagement, and human resources/relations.

Emily Saine will graduate in May 2021 with a concentration in nonprofit concentration. She has worked for over 5 years as the Associate Director of the Spartan Open Pantry, a nonprofit that serves nonperishable and hot food to the UNCG population in need. She also works with the City of Greensboro as the Assistant Volunteer Coordinator for Parks and Recreation overseeing the Adopt-A-Street and Park programs. She loves working with volunteers because she has seen what can be accomplished in maintaining their motivation and how quickly their efforts can change our community.

Gabrielle LaMountain will graduate in May 2020 with a concentration in nonprofit management. Prior to making Greensboro her forever home, she worked as a Grants Manager and Program Director for 15-LOVE, an organization that offered recreational and educational opportunities for children in the NY Capital Region. In her four years at 15-LOVE she gained experience in funds development and donor analysis, event planning, program development, management, and board service. Gabrielle is passionate about improving outcomes for children and families in need, particularly in the areas of education and food security.

Sam Logan graduates in May 2021 with a concentration in local government. He has worked for a Greensboro marketing agency since 2016 as a digital strategist and copywriter, and is looking forward to transitioning out of the private sector and into public service. His experience as a marketer brings a unique perspective to tackling the problems of local government, with an eye for messaging, analytical thought and strategic thinking. He is interested in applying his knowledge and skills to efforts that address social justice causes through affordable housing, public transportation, or sustainability efforts.

Interimship-Seeking Students

Internships are generally performed over the summer in a full-time, paid placement with local government or a non-profit agency (at least 32 hours/week). These students have completed their first year in the MPA program. Students are also required to prepare a research project that builds on their internship responsibilities. This is a wonderful opportunity to have that pending project completed this summer.

Bradley Wallace is focusing his coursework in nonprofit management. He has experience with program development, fundraising, grant proposal writing, and volunteer management. His professional experience includes working for the Boy Scouts of America. He is seeking an internship position in volunteer management, fundraising, or grant writing.

David Cashwell is pursuing a MPA degree with a concentration in local government. Currently, he serves as the House Manager for the Carolina Theatre of Greensboro; in this position, he is able to develop his organization, leadership, project coordination, and management skills. In the past, he has served with AmeriCorps in Austin, Texas. David is seeking to further his professional management and creative skills through an internship in budgeting, planning, or policy evaluation.

Destiny Alston is a first-year student pursuing her MPA with a concentration in local government management. She currently works as a Research Assistant for People Not Property at UNCG University Libraries. She has experience with GIS and SPSS, as well as knowledge of inclusive planning and public advocacy. She is passionate about improving the social equity of community members, providing a better quality of life for minorities, and assisting low-income families to better access resources. She is seeking an internship in urban and rural economic development, neighborhood development, community engagement, or housing.

Eboni Pratt currently works as a Graduate Assistant in the Department of Political Science and is in the nonprofit management concentration. She has experience in community outreach and engagement, volunteer management, and has served on several boards and committees. She has experience working with local government and is seeking an internship in the field of nonprofit management.

Elena Polanco works as a Graduate Assistant in the Political Science Department and is in the nonprofit management concentration. She graduated from UNC Chapel Hill with a BA in Management & Society and American Indian Studies. She has experience in project management and event planning/execution. She is seeking an internship with a nonprofit organization to learn about nonprofit opportunities in the area.

Forrest White is pursuing a concentration in local government management. He is a North Carolina City and County Managers Association scholarship recipient and is currently a Graduate Assistant in the MPA program. He has developed his skills in oral and written communication, leadership, and teamwork from a rich history in professional sales and management. Forrest is seeking an internship in local government, with hopes of being able to intern with a city or county manager, or in a community and economic development or budget/finance department.

Grace Craig is pursuing a concentration in nonprofit management and is the 2019-20 Cemala Foundation Fellowship Scholar. She works as a Program and Communications Intern at Guilford Child Development as well as a Graduate Assistant in the MPA program. She has experience in program assistance, event planning, and social media management. She is seeking an internship with a nonprofit organization focused on donor relations and fundraising.

Racquel Jones is in the nonprofit management concentration. Currently, she works as an account manager for a medical debt recovery agency. Given her past experience as a photographer for Boys and Girls Club through the AmeriCorps Program, she has a fondness for helping and serving others. In fact, she spent many of her college spring breaks doing service missions. She is interested in marketing, research, and advocacy in either a nonprofit or government organization.

Resumes of prospective interns and graduates can be found at: https://psc.uncg.edu/mpa/goldcard