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NASPAA, the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration, sets the global standard in public service and education. NASPAA is the global accreditor of master's degree programs for public administration, public policy, public affairs, and non-profit programs.

The following report is derived from the annual data survey and self-study reports of 212 programs that are accredited, or seeking (re)accreditation. NASPAA programs represent diverse student populations from around the world. With a variety of missions and resources in mind, NASPAA standards are inclusive of program types with different goals, resources, and capacities.
Applications in AY 2019-2020
n = 205 accredited programs

**77% ADMISSION RATE**
Average admission rate. n = 207

**68% YIELD RATE**
Average yield rate. n = 199

**54% FEMALE ENROLLMENT**
n = 183

**29% MINORITY ENROLLMENT**
n = 173

**86% GRADUATION RATE**
Graduation/persistence rate. n = 200

**51% GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT**
Percent of graduates working in government. n = 202
AT A GLANCE

212 Programs  9 Countries

Accredited and/or seeking (re)accreditation

194 U.S. Programs  18 Non-U.S. Programs

China
Colombia
Egypt
Korea
New Zealand
Qatar
Venezuela
Vietnam
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

85% of programs require LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
n = 186 programs

76% of programs require a RESUME
n = 185 programs

39% of programs require STANDARDIZED TESTS
n = 180 programs

20% of programs require WRITING SAMPLES
n = 174 programs

3.0 Median GPA
2.9 Average GPA
n = 137 programs

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2019-2020
39% of programs require STANDARDIZED TESTS

- 29% GRE
- 12% TOEFL
- 4% GMAT
- 9% Other

"Other" includes: IELTS, MAT, EXADEP, LASPAU, and Entrance Exams
GRE Trends

% of Programs that REQUIRE GRE

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n = 175, 178, 176, 180
76% of programs are MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

70% of programs serve FULL-TIME & PART-TIME STUDENTS

54% of programs offer DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

13% of programs accept students in the FALL ONLY

50% of programs accept students in the FALL & SPRING

36% of programs have OTHER acceptance cycles

"Other" cycles include Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer cycles

n = 157 programs

n = 212 programs

n = 192 programs

n = 157 programs
ADMISSIONS & ENROLLMENT

Applications in AY 2019–2020

28,959

n = 205 accredited programs

77% of applicants are ADMITTED

68% of admitted students ENROLL

54% FEMALE STUDENTS
n = 183 programs

52% PART-TIME STUDENTS
n = 178 programs

29% MINORITY STUDENTS
n = 173 programs

19% OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS
n = 178 programs

7% INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
n = 181 programs
30% of FULL-TIME students receive FINANCIAL AID
n = 141 programs

29% of PART-TIME students receive FINANCIAL AID
n = 143 programs

32% of INTERNATIONAL students receive FINANCIAL AID
n = 139 programs
GRADUATION RATES

10,799 Initially Enrolled in ARY-5 Cohort

- 45% of students GRADUATE IN 2 YEARS
- 71% of students GRADUATE IN 3 YEARS
- 79% of students GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS

86% of students GRADUATED or are PERSISTING TO GRADUATION

n = 200 programs
51% of graduates are employed by the **GOVERNMENT**  
* n = 202 programs

20% of graduates are employed by the **NON-PROFITS**  
* n = 193 programs

19% of graduates are employed by the **PRIVATE SECTOR**  
* n = 187 programs

3% of graduates are pursuing **HIGHER EDUCATION**  
* n = 165 programs

3% of graduates are pursuing **MILITARY SERVICE**  
* n = 137 programs

3% of graduates are **UNEMPLOYED**  
* n = 141 programs
EMPLOYMENT

GOVERNMENT BREAKDOWN

51% LOCAL
15% STATE
10% NATIONAL
4% FOREIGN

n = 202 programs

NON-PROFIT BREAKDOWN

20% DOMESTIC
18% INTERNATIONAL
2% FOREIGN

n = 193 programs
8 members in FACULTY NUCLEUS
Median, n = 200 programs
Average = 12 members

84% REQUIRED COMPETENCIES COURSES taught by Full-Time Faculty

76% ALL COURSES taught by Full-Time Faculty
n = 205 programs
DIVERSITY INSIGHTS

Self-Study Report

32 Programs
- 2 Non-U.S. Programs
- 30 U.S. Programs
- 17 U.S. States

Faculty Diversity

AY 2019-20
- 77% WHITE
- 8% ASIAN
- 7% BLACK
- 6% LATINX
- 1% NONRESIDENT
Student Diversity

59% WHITE
17% HISPANIC
12% BLACK
7% NONRESIDENT
4% ASIAN
1% AMERICAN INDIAN

Self-Study Report
n = 32 programs

DIVERSITY INSIGHTS

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n = 202