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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 accreditation process includes eligibility requirements, program self-evaluation, on-site visit, and review by the Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation (COPRA). The rigorous process ensures the highest level of academic quality and continual improvement.

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.
## AT A GLANCE

### Applications in AY 2021-2022

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<td>Total Applications</td>
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### Key Statistics

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<td>Admission Rate</td>
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Average statistics:
- Admission Rate: 52% (n = 211)
- Yield Rate: 58% (n = 211)
- Female Enrollment: 62% (n = 194)
- Minority Enrollment: 36% (n = 156)
- Graduation Rate: 85% (n = 211)
- Government Employment: 56% (n = 209)
AT A GLANCE

214 Programs
11 Countries

Accredited and/or seeking (re)accreditation

194 U.S. Programs
20 Non-U.S. Programs

Brazil
China
Colombia
Egypt
Kazakhstan
Mexico
Qatar
South Korea
United States
Venezuela
Vietnam
86% of programs require a GPA
n = 175 programs

85% of programs require LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
n = 178 programs

78% of programs require a RESUME
n = 175 programs

22% of programs require STANDARDIZED TESTS
n = 174 programs

20% of programs require WRITING SAMPLES
n = 167 programs

Minimum GPA Requirement

3.0 Median GPA

2.9 Average GPA
n = 191 programs
76% of programs are MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

n = 208 programs

71% of programs serve FULL-TIME & PART-TIME STUDENTS

n = 194 programs

54% of programs offer DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

n = 162 programs

76% of programs accept students in the FALL ONLY

50% of programs accept students in the FALL & SPRING

34% of programs have OTHER acceptance cycles

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

n = 162 programs
Applications in AY 2021–2022
n =213  accredited programs

54% of applicants are admitted

57% of admitted students enroll

62% FEMALE STUDENTS
n = 194 programs

52% PART-TIME STUDENTS
n = 194 programs

36% MINORITY STUDENTS
n = 156 programs

12% OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS
n = 194 programs

4% INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
n = 194 programs

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT
2021-2022
GRADUATION RATES

11,144 Initially Enrolled in ARY-5 Cohort

45% of students GRADUATE IN 2 YEARS

69% of students GRADUATE IN 3 YEARS

77% of students GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS

85% of students GRADUATED or are PERSISTING TO GRADUATION

n = 211 programs

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT 2021-2022
GRADUATION RATES
U.S Based Programs

9,198 Initially Enrolled in ARY-5 Cohort

48% of students GRADUATE IN 2 YEARS

71% of students GRADUATE IN 3 YEARS

78% of students GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS

85% of students GRADUATED or are PERSISTING TO GRADUATION

n = 190 programs

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT 2021-2022
of graduates are employed by the
GOVERNMENT
n = 209 programs

56%

of graduates are employed by
NON-PROFITS
n = 209 programs

20%

of graduates are employed by the
PRIVATE SECTOR
n = 209 programs

18%

of graduates are pursuing
HIGHER EDUCATION
n = 209 programs

2%

of graduates are pursuing
MILITARY SERVICE
n = 209 programs

1%

of graduates are
UNEMPLOYED
n = 209 programs

3%
EMPLOYMENT

U.S Based Programs

50% of graduates are employed by the GOVERNMENT
n = 184 programs

23% of graduates are employed by NON-PROFITS
n = 184 programs

20% of graduates are employed by the PRIVATE SECTOR
n = 184 programs

3% of graduates are pursuing HIGHER EDUCATION
n = 184 programs

1% of graduates are pursuing MILITARY SERVICE
n = 184 programs

3% of graduates are UNEMPLOYED
n = 184 programs

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT
2021-2022
EMPLOYMENT

GOVERNMENT BREAKDOWN

56%

3% FOREIGN
14% NATIONAL
15% STATE
24% LOCAL

n = 209 programs

NON-PROFIT BREAKDOWN

20%

18% DOMESTIC
2% INTERNATIONAL

n = 209 programs
EMPLOYMENT
U.S Based Programs

GOVERNMENT BREAKDOWN

50% LOCAL

3% FOREIGN

9% NATIONAL

16% STATE

n = 184 programs

NON-PROFIT BREAKDOWN

21% DOMESTIC

23% INTERNATIONAL

2% INTERNATIONAL

n = 184 programs
7 members in FACULTY NUCLEUS
Median, \( n = 208 \) programs
Average = 12 members

82% REQUIRED COMPETENCIES COURSES taught by Full-Time Faculty
\( n = 213 \) programs

77% ALL COURSES taught by Full-Time Faculty
\( n = 213 \) programs
DIVERSITY INSIGHTS

Self-Study Report

30 Programs
30 U.S. Programs
21 U.S. States

Faculty Diversity

AY 2021-22

79% WHITE
9% ASIAN
9% BLACK
3% LATINX
1% NONRESIDENT
Student Diversity

62% WHITE
16% BLACK
10% HISPANIC
7% NONRESIDENT
5% ASIAN

Self-Study Report
n = 30 programs

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT
2021-2022
YIELD TRENDS

Enrollment Trend

US Schools Applicants, Admits, Enrolled Snapshot

NASPAA / ANNUAL DATA REPORT
2021-2022