



PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

School of Public Administration

Whether you want to grow in your current role or make a change, we can help you get there.

UVic's School of Public Administration's Professional Specialization Certificate (PSC 4 courses) and Diploma programs (10 courses) will help you build skills and knowledge in areas vital for managers, administrators and leaders in government and non-profit organizations.

Our focussed Professional Specialization Certificates and comprehensive Diploma programs offer education and training in the flexible **online** format working professionals are looking for. Our diverse students bring a wealth of experience to courses while building new skills and competencies.

Topic areas:

- Public Sector Management (Diploma and PSC option)
- Local Government Management (Diploma and PSC option)
- Public Policy and Governance (PSC)
- Voluntary and Non-profit Sector Management (PSC)



“Students in our professional programs are the most interesting and diverse set of people with incredible work, volunteer and life experience. I feel like I learn as much from the students as they do from me.”

– Dr. Tamara Krawchenko,
Assistant Professor

We develop creative thinkers and professionals who make a positive impact on different orders of government, non-profit organizations, and communities in British Columbia, in Canada and around the world.

Our graduates:

- have the tools to analyze complex issues and recommend, implement and evaluate solutions to problems
- understand the role and importance of governments in British Columbia and the rest of Canada
- employ knowledge of managerial theories
- apply their skills and experience to deliver effective and efficient services
- work in local and international governmental and non-governmental organizations, non-profit and community organizations, public policy consulting firms and corporate government relations divisions.



Admission Requirements

Diploma applicants require the equivalent of two years post-secondary education and three years experience in the public sector, or considerable relevant public or non-profit sector work experience.

Professional Specialization Certificate applicants require a bachelor's degree and at least two years professional experience.



Application Deadlines

Fall Term - **May 31**

Spring Term - **September 30**

Summer Term - **February 15**



Course Fees

All School of Public Administration courses are **1.5 units**.

Part-time students pay fees per term, per credit unit.

Programs combine the essential knowledge in core courses with the opportunity to tailor your program to your individual career goals and interests through our dynamic electives. Selected elective topics include **Indigenous Governance in Canada, Program Evaluation and Performance Measurement and Governance for Planetary Health.**

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