

What is MA in Public Administration about?

Public Administration is fast developing discipline. It is a multi-disciplinary post-graduate course offered in Sri Krishna Arts and Science College, Coimbatore. The course offers specializations in a variety of subjects such as Management, Political Science, Economics, Civics, Law, among others. The course introduces the students to the social-political issues which are the core of Public Administration of any nation.



Public administration attempts to explain how decisions in government are made as well as administering projects to carry out those decisions. A Public Administration degree prepares students for a career in government or non-for-profit organisation (NGO) work. Studying Public Administration can be an extremely rewarding experience for anyone looking to give back to their community by solving difficult problems.



US President Woodrow Wilson, one of the great proponents and teachers of public administration, wrote, “It is the object of administrative study to discover, first, what government can properly and successfully do, and, secondly, how it can do these proper things with the utmost possible efficiency and at the least possible cost either of money or of energy.” This is no easy task! Thus, the study of public administration helps students realize the different ways to accomplish these two objectives.

Eligibility

The basic eligibility for admission to MA in Public Administration, is a bachelor’s degree in any stream of minimum 3 years duration. The minimum percentage required is 50% or equivalent CGPA. Special preference will be given to students willing to prepare for UPSC and TNPSC exams.

Duration

The course is of **2 years** duration. Each year is divided in 2 semesters. After 2nd semester, in summer holidays student should undergo field visit for 20-30 days in any government organisations or NGOs. In final semester, the student should submit dissertation in their interested topic.

Career Options and Job Prospects

With the advent of globalised era, there has been an increase in the demand of professionals who have sound knowledge of public issues for administrative roles and who are adept in diplomatic skills. After completing M.A. in Public Administration, various career opportunities open in the fields of administration, and organisational governance.

- **Career in government**

This is the most obvious reason why many applicants decide to choose a degree in Public Administration - it provides a variety of skills which will be useful for those who wish to start a career in government. We will motivate and help the students to appear for government examinations.



- Public Administration is one of the optional subjects in **Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)**. (IAS, IPS, exams).
- This subject will be more helpful for **Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission (TNPSC)** exam preparation. (Group I, Group II, etc.).
- **Separate coaching class** shall be given to person appearing for government exams.
- **Separate library section and reading rooms** will be provided for the students preparing to government exams.
- **Guest lectures** of renowned persons in respective fields will be arranged for motivation and to learn exam strategies.

- **Career in Not-for-Profit Organisations**

There are many national not-for-profit organisations (NGOs) working hard to solve socio-economic problems such as poverty, illiteracy, discrimination, etc. Degree in Public Administration provides a variety of administrative skills and knowledge which will be utilised to solve above problems.

- **Career in Private Sectors**

Degree in Public Administration teaches you many administrative skills and knowledge such as problem solving, leadership and team skills, that can be utilised in different areas in private organisations such as policy making, human resources, public relations and management. This degree opens a lot of doors in private sector.

- **Career as Lecturer/Professor**

There are opportunities to go ahead with Ph.D. and can join as lecturer/professor in colleges and universities. More and more colleges are starting Public Administration discipline, so there are numerous openings for teaching public administration subject are coming up.

- **Career as research**

There are many think tanks, who are helping various government departments in policy or socio-economic related researches. Degree in Public Administration helps the students to enter these research organisations to solve social problems.

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