

TO: Experiential Credit Applicants

FROM: Brian L. Fife, Director of Graduate Studies

Graduate students in the Master of Public Management (M.P.M.) program may be eligible for academic credit for previous work experience through the Experiential Credit Option.

Three credit hours may be granted for work experience to those who document at least one year's experience in their field of work. This experience may be managerial or involve responsibility for program or policy development. Routine work experience involving limited discretion will not qualify for this option.

The total number of credits granted for experience and for course work transferred from other accredited institutions may not exceed twelve, and students who receive three credit hours of Experiential Credit will not be permitted to enroll in SPEA V585 (Practicum in Public Affairs) for credit.

In order to apply for the Experiential Credit, please complete the enclosed application and return it to the SPEA office. All applications must be typed or word processed. Two supervisory evaluations are enclosed and should be filled out by one or two previous supervisors for whom you have worked in the past five years. Please have all correspondence returned to the SPEA office at the following address:

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