

TO: Mid-Career Option Applicants

FROM: Brian L. Fife, Director of Graduate Studies

Graduate students in the M.P.A. program may be eligible for academic credit for previous work experience or training through the Mid-Career Option.

Up to twelve credit hours may be granted for Mid-Career experience to those who document significant 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 twenty-one, and students who receive more than six credit hours for Mid-Career Option will not be permitted to enroll in SPEA V585 (Practicum in Public Affairs) for credit.

In order to apply for the Mid-Career Option, 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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