

2009-2010 MPA Program Academic Calendar University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

FALL SEMESTER 2009

REVISED: 9/17/09

NOTE: Five special lectures will be scheduled in 2009-10. Students should attend all five lectures, but as a requirement for PUBA 745/746, you must attend at least **FOUR**.

Pertains To
1st Yrs 2nd Yrs Faculty

August			
21	1st Year Students —Orientation, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Room 3301, School of Gov., Knapp-Sanders Bldng	✓	
24	2nd Year Students —Transition Retreat, 8:45 - 4:30 pm; UNC-CH Graduate School's Graduate Student Center, 211 W. Cameron Avenue		✓
25	Classes Begin	✓	✓
29	Saturday Picnic sponsored by MPA Alumni Association, 6:00 pm; in the dining room of the SOG	✓	✓
31	MPA Faculty Meeting – 12:00 Noon - 1:30 pm, Room 3301; lunch provided		✓
September			
4	Presidential Management Fellows information meeting. Brown bag lunch, 12:30 - 1:30 pm, Room 2401.		✓
7	Labor Day Holiday; no classes held	✓	✓
10	2nd Year Students --Deadline for Capstone chair and committee requests. (Submit request to Manager on "MPA Capstone Paper Report Form" by Noon)		✓
13-16	International City/County Management Assoc. (ICMA) Conference, Montreal, Canada. "www.icma.org"		
22	LECTURE # 1: SOG Dean Michael Smith will provide a history of the School of Government, 4:00 -5:00 pm, Room 2603	✓	✓
30-Oct. 3	Southeast Conference on Public Administration (SECOPA), Louisville, KY. "www.secopa.org"		
October			
5	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Room 3104		✓
8	2nd Year Students —Deadline for Faculty Committees' review and approval of capstone proposals. (Submit results of committee review to Manager on "MPA Capstone Paper Report Form.")		✓
12	University Day	✓	✓
15-17	National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA) Annual Conference, Arlington, VA. "www.naspaa.org"		
20	LECTURE # 2: Reginald Speight, Exec. Director of Martin Cty Community Action Agency, Room 2601	✓	✓
	Reception at 3:30 p.m.; lecture at 4:00 p.m.		
21-25	Fall Break (begins at 5:00 pm on the 21st and classes resume at 8:00 am on the 26th)	✓	✓

		Pertains To		
		1st Yrs	2nd Yrs	Faculty
November				
2	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 -10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
5	Celebration of Life Service for Deil Wright, 3:00 pm, SOG	✓	✓	✓
6	2009 Conference on Public Administration , School of Government	✓	✓	✓
6	LECTURE #3: Deil Wright Lecture: 9:45 - 10:45 am, Room 2603. Dr. Patricia Wallace Ingraham is a public policy expert and Founding Dean of the College of Community and Public Affairs at Binghamton	✓	✓	✓
17	1st Year Students -- Placement Seminar. Carl Stenberg will discuss what the MPA Program looks for in an internship and how we can help. Room 3301, 2:00 - 3:00 pm.	✓		
17	2nd Year Students – Placement Seminar, Room 3301, 3:30 - 4:30 pm.		✓	
25-29	Thanksgiving Break (no classes on Wed.-Fri., 11/25-27 ; classes resume at 8:00 am on Nov. 30th.)	✓	✓	✓

December				
4	MPA Student/Faculty/Staff Holiday Party (planned by 2nd Year Students); details to follow later.	✓	✓	✓
7	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00-10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
9	Classes End			
10	MPA Class Make-up Day	✓	✓	✓
11-18	Exams			

SPRING SEMESTER 2010

January				
1	New Year's Holiday			
4	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
6, 7, 8	1st Year Students —Assessment Center; details to be announced during fall semester.	✓		
11	First Day of Classes	✓	✓	✓
18	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	✓	✓	✓

February

February is **Job Fair Month**. Interviews for internships will be scheduled on Mondays and Fridays in order to protect class times. Students will be informed of details during the Fall Semester.

Pertains To**1st Yrs 2nd Yrs Faculty**

1	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
2	LECTURE # 4: Leslie Winner, Exec. Director, Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation; Room 2601, time TBA	✓	✓	✓
3-5	North Carolina City/County Management Association (NCCCMA) Meeting, Sheraton Imperial, RTP	✓	✓	✓
4	Alumni Event/Breakfast during NCCCMA Conference; details to follow later	✓	✓	✓
12	2nd Year Students -- Deadline for meeting with Capstone Committee on paper progress. (A “near-final” draft of your paper should be finished by now.) Submit to Program Manager title of capstone paper and 90-word description of paper for conference brochure.		✓	
12	May Graduates: Application for Graduation due; must apply online prior to this date for departmental approval.		✓	
12-13	Admissions Interviews			✓
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March

1	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 - 10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
5-14	Spring Break (begins at 5:00 pm on the 5th and classes resume at 8:00 am on the 15th)	✓	✓	✓
26	2nd Year Students —Pre-conference Defense with Faculty Committee must be conducted NO LATER THAN MARCH 26 . If project does not have faculty approval by this date, graduation will be postponed until August. (Submit results of Defense to Manager on “Graduate School’s Comprehensive Exam Form. ”)		✓	

April

1	2nd Year Students —MPA Capstone Papers (Final Version) due to Manager by NOON		✓	
2	Good Friday Holiday			
5	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Room 3104			✓
6	1st Year Students —Internship Preparation, 12:30 - 1:30 pm, Room 2401	✓		
9-13	American Society for Public Administrators (ASPA) Conference, San Jose, CA. "www.aspanet.org"			
TBA	LECTURE # 5:	✓	✓	✓
15-16	2nd Year Students —The Capstone Conference on Practical Research for Public Officials, Room 2601	✓	✓	✓
23	END OF SEMESTER PICNIC —Friday, 5:30 pm - until. Games/food; dinner at 6:00 pm. Traditionally the 1 st Year students organize the picnic to honor the graduating students. Location: Eight Willows (Cobles') Farm, Eli Whitney, NC	✓	✓	✓
28	Last Day of Classes			
29	MPA Class Make-up Day	✓	✓	✓
30 to 5/7	Exams April 29 - May 7			

<i>May</i>		Pertains To		
		1st Yrs	2nd Yrs	Faculty
3	MPA Faculty Meeting, 9:00 - 10:30 am, Room 3104. Site visits assigned at this meeting.			✓
7	Exams End			
Sat, 5/8	2nd Year Students -- MPA Graduation Ceremony and Luncheon, 11:00 am		✓	✓
Sun, 5/9	2nd Year Students -- UNC Commencement, 9:30 am		✓	✓

MAY – AUGUST SUMMER INTERNSHIPS		✓		
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FALL SEMESTER 2010

<i>August</i>				
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23	2nd Year Students -- Transition Retreat, 8:45 - 4:00 pm		✓	
24	First day of classes	✓	✓	✓

<i>November</i>				
4-5	2010 Conference on Public Administration	✓	✓	✓