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Graduate Certificate of Policy Design and Analysis (GCPDA)

2025 Program Requirements

Policy and Governance programs, Crawford School of Public Policy

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About the GCPDA

The Graduate Certificate of Policy Design and Analysis takes one semester full time and requires the completion of 24 units.

Part time students may take up to three years to complete the program.

On campus students attend classes at the ANU campus in Canberra.



Online students attend real-time classes via Zoom. This degree is not delivered as a work-at-your-own-pace mode. Classes are interactive and attendance with other online students is required.

About the Preparatory Summer/Winter School

Crawford School has designed a Summer/Winter School designed to give you the best possible start to your postgraduate studies. Learn how to study at a postgraduate level, learn about what public policy is and get the tools you need to succeed.

Program requirements

Compulsory pre-commencement Summer/Winter School

CRWF7900 Graduate Academic & Research Skills for Public Policy	January & June
CRWF7902 Graduate Preparatory Economics for Public Policy	January & June
POGO7901 Graduate Preparatory Economic, Social & Political Analysis	January & June

Foundational courses (6 units)

POGO8401 Foundations in Public Policy	6 units	Semester 1
POGO8402 The Political & Institutional Architecture of Public Policy	6 units	Semester 2

Policy and governance electives (12 units)

POGO8044 Global Social Policy	6 units	
POGO8045 International Policy Making in the Shadow of the Future	6 units	Semester 2
POGO8136 Participating in Public Policy: Citizen Engagement and Public Talk (prerequisite: POGO8062 or POGO8402 or POGO8403)	6 units	Summer
POGO8138 Science, Technology and Public Policy	6 units	

POGO8403 Cases in Contemporary Public Policy	6 units	Winter
POLS8046 Interest Groups, Advocacy and Public Policy	6 units	

Applied management courses (6 units)

These are 3-unit intensive courses. Where a semester or session is not indicated the course is not currently on offer in 2025. Some scheduling may occur late - please refer to the course pages regularly up to the start of the semester/session to confirm availability.

Choose no more than two courses (6 units)

POGO8132 Public Policy in Cities - Integrating and Governing Change	3 units	Spring
POGO8230 Gender Analysis in Public Policy	3 units	Winter
POGO8232 Persuasion for Policymakers	3 units	
POGO8233 Policy Tools & Mixes	3 units	Summer
POGO8235 Engaging China: Working with Policy in the PRC	3 units	Spring
POGO8236 Public Strategy	3 units	Spring
POGO8237 Budgeting for Outcomes: Purposes, Programs and Performance	3 units	
POGO8238 Fundamentals of Intergovernmental Management	3 units	Autumn
POGO8239 Contemporary Challenges to Indigenous Policy	3 units	Winter

Recommended Enrolment Pattern – Full-time 24 units – Complete in one study period

Scheduling is indicative only as changes can occur during the year, prior to the start of the semester/session.

Domestic students are able to study part-time. Part-time is 6 -12 units per study period. International students with a student visa must be enrolled in 24 units per study period.

Commencing Summer/Semester 1 (February)	Commencing Winter/Semester 2 (July)
POGO8401	POGO8402
3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Summer or Autumn*)	3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Winter or Spring*)
3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Summer or Autumn*)	3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Winter or Spring*)
Policy & Governance Elective	Policy & Governance Elective
Policy & Governance Elective	Policy & Governance Elective

Recommended Enrolment Pattern – Part-time 6-12 units per study period

Commencing Semester 1 (February)	Commencing Semester 2 (July)
POGO8401	POGO8402
Two 3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Summer or Autumn*)	Two 3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Winter or Spring)
OR	OR
Policy & Governance Elective	Policy & Governance Elective
Second Semester	Second Semester
Two 3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Winter or Spring*) – if not taken above	3-unit Applied Mgt Course (Summer or Autumn*) – if not taken above
OR	OR
Policy & Governance Elective	Policy & Governance Elective