

PUBLIC POLICY

Bachelor of Arts
Minor

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Is Public Policy for you?

SFU's new Public Policy minor features hands-on, real life simulations to help students apply the theories and concepts they learn in the classroom to current issues.

Students begin with a core set of courses organised in two different tracks. The first track, applied public policy, offers students the knowledge and skills that policy professionals need to tackle diverse challenges from health care to climate change. The second track, technology policy, focuses specifically on the social and political dilemmas created by the revolution in information and communications technology that has been unfolding over the past four decades and will only accelerate. This track will give students who seek employment in the rapidly growing tech sector core skills.

Where will you go from here?

Both tracks are designed to prepare students who would like to work in policy. The public sector has hundreds of job openings that need versatile and well-trained candidates every year.

The courses in the minor program are designed to help students develop the core skills they would need to succeed as professional researchers, analysts, project managers, and policy advisors. The capstone course offers a simulation exercise by which groups of students will seek solutions through a contemporary policy problem.

A unique feature of the program is that it is guided by an advisory board including public, private, and non-profit organizations who will help to ensure that the program acts as a bridge to employment.

Want to know more?

The Public Policy minor allows students to extend beyond their majors to develop an identifiable set of core skills needed for policy work, and to interact through course projects with diverse majors.

The program will offer cohorts of students the chance to hear from prominent scholars and policymakers about the complexities of today's challenges. It will also work closely with SFU's Career Services and Alumni Centres to help students improve their ability to find meaningful employment upon graduation, or as a bridge to graduate studies in public policy.

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