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For over 50 years, the Evans School has provided a graduate education to students who aspire to become leaders in government and nonprofit service. Ranked among America’s top schools of public policy and management, the Evans School will help you establish a foundation of knowledge and skills to contest the world’s greatest public policy and governance challenges.

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CREATING WORLD-READY LEADERS
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS:

We live in a dynamic, complex world. To be prepared for some of the most challenging public issues, students will acquire the knowledge, technical skills, and political acumen required for effective leadership in an increasingly interconnected world.

The Evans School MPA

Our Master of Public Administration program provides leadership, strategy, policy analysis and management expertise. While most students enroll full-time and complete their degree in two academic years, a part-time option and Executive MPA program are available to working professionals seeking to advance their careers.

Expertise

Following a first year of core coursework, our second year MPA students have an opportunity to specialize in areas where Evans School faculty members have nationally recognized expertise: Environmental Policy and Management; International Development; Metropolitan and Urban Policy; Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy; Public Finance and Budgeting; Public Leadership, Management and Decision-Making; Public Policy Analysis and Evaluation; and Social Policy: Poverty, Education, and Social Welfare.

The Evans School PhD in Public Policy and Management

Driven by the talent of our interdisciplinary faculty, the Evans School approach integrates both public policy analysis and management. This synergy is reflected in the PhD program’s curriculum and the diverse focus of our students’ research during their PhD studies. Our program prepares students for teaching at the university level and for conducting research at public and nonprofit institutions as well as prominent think tanks.

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THE WORLD IS OUR LABORATORY
COMMUNITY:

Seattle is a region of explosive growth, global trade, technological advancement, with a long history of progressive government. At the local, state, and federal level, our graduates are paving the way for real solutions to major public policy and leadership challenges. Seattle is also home to a thriving nonprofit community. Evans School students and alumni are at the forefront of leading change in such organizations as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, PATH and World Vision. These connections help make the Evans School a leader in furthering the public good.

In addition to boundless professional opportunities, Seattle is a cultural metropolis surrounded by unparalleled natural beauty. Our region includes such iconic public treasures as Pike Place Market, the Space Needle, Experience Music Project, and the Seattle Art Museum. As well as three stunning national parks: Mt. Rainier, Olympic, and the North Cascades.

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TEACHERS, PARTNERS, INNOVATORS
Faculty:
Recognized for their cutting-edge scholarship, our faculty members are driving change and shaping revolutionary policy solutions in communities worldwide. They are leaders in producing objective, relevant, and reliable information and analysis to tackle challenges in education, nonprofits, the environment, international development, poverty, urban revitalization, public finance, and management. Our faculty is also renowned as some of the best educators of public policy and governance in the country. They’re deeply dedicated to students’ learning and work in partnership with our many vibrant student organizations to create a diverse educational community that translates beyond the classroom and into practice.

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STUDENTS:

At the Evans School, we immerse students in real world strategies. Powered by the union of study and practice—in the classroom, through internships, capstone projects, engagement on campus and in the community—our students gain analytic superpowers and learn the art of public leadership.

We prepare graduates for diverse public and nonprofit careers and our alumni work in leadership positions locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. Equipped with an Evans School MPA, our alumni take an active role at the table to achieve real world impact and are working in agencies and organizations as varied as the U.S. Government Accountability Office, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Washington State Legislature, King County, municipalities across the region, and in hundreds of nonprofit organizations and foundations.

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THE IMPACT WE MAKE IS REAL
CAREERS:

Finding solutions for real world challenges means thinking differently, acting collaboratively, and working at the intersection of theory and practice. At the Evans School, that’s what we do. Students and faculty dive deep into the pressing public policy and governance issues of today and orient our teaching and scholarship towards the emerging issues of tomorrow. Whether through evaluating the impact of a minimum wage increase, helping finance leaders build more sophisticated financial analysis and cost-effectiveness into their organizations, or making sure we “right-size” management and evaluation requirements for nonprofit, our impact is real.
Evans School students acquire the rigorous policy analysis and management education needed to tackle society's greatest economic and social challenges. By using the world as our laboratory, we develop highly collaborative leaders who are able to work across boundaries to design solutions for real-world impact. If you seek to join the company of bold, visionary leaders dedicated to advancing the public interest, I invite you to explore our website and contact our student services team. We are here to answer your call to public service.

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