

Fall 2020 Question Themes
(for those following *quarter catalog only*)

You will answer two core course questions (your choice, unless you have a concentration*)
and one integrative question (randomly assigned).

*Leadership concentration must answer PA 6620 and PA 6640.

*Public Financial Management concentration must answer PA 6150 and PA 6630.

PA 6030

The PA 6030 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) variable operationalization and (2) internal validity.

PA 6110

The PA 6110 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) the role played by theory in public administration and (2) theories original to public administration.

PA 6150

The PA 6150 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government fiscal stress and (2) fiscal stress management.

PA 6500

The PA 6500 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) public/governance communication and (2) social media.

PA 6620

The PA 6620 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) ethics within the context of organizations and (2) differences between public and private sector environments.

PA 6630

The PA 6630 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes (1) local government financing and (2) service chargers and fees.

PA 6640

The PA 6640 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) teams and (2) performance evaluations.

PA 6720

The PA 6720 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) immunity and (2) its practice applications.

PA 6800

The PA 6800 comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) policy process and (2) agenda setting.

INTEGRATIVE QUESTIONS

Competency: to lead and manage in public governance.

The “lead and manage in public governance competency” comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government policy making process and (2) stakeholder management.

Competency: to participate in and contribute to the public policy process.

The “participate in and contribute to the public policy process” comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government policy making process and (2) policy design.

Competency: to analyze, synthesize, think critically, solve problems and make decisions.

The “analyze, synthesize, think critically, solve problems and make decisions” comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government policy making process and (2) expenditure reduction strategies.

Competency: to articulate and apply a public service perspective.

The “articulate and apply a public service perspective” comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government policy making process and (2) outsourcing.

Competency: to communicate and interact productively with a diverse and changing workforce and citizenry.

The “communicate and interact productively with a diverse and changing workforce and citizenry” comprehensive exam question will focus on the themes of (1) local government policy making process and (2) team management.