HEALTH POLICY, CERTIFICATE

ADVISING AND CAREERS

The La Follette School of Public Affairs welcomes you to reach out to our student services team. Here are some quick steps toward getting what you need. Before getting in touch, be sure to check our web site (https://lafollette.wisc.edu/admissions/health-policy-certificate/). It is updated regularly and just may hold the answers you seek!

- If you're interested in learning more about the Certificate or would like guidance as a current Certificate student, make an appointment via Starfish (make%20an%20appointment%20via%20Starfish) or send an email to Mary Michaud (mdmichaud@wisc.edu), the Undergraduate Advisor for the Certificate Program.
- If you're already a Certificate student, you can connect with Marie Koko, our Career Services Coordinator, about careers and internships: Send her an email at: marie.koko@wisc.edu
- If you have a technical question about your DARS report, enrollment, or other things administrative, connect with David Wright-Racette at wrightracette@lafollette.wisc.edu
- If you're interested in learning more about La Follette's graduate programs in public and international affairs, or joint graduate degree programs (https://lafollette.wisc.edu/academics/) (e.g., MPH/MPA, JD/MPA, PhD/MPA in neuroscience), contact Mo O'Connor, our graduate advisor: mcoconnor@lafollette.wisc.edu
- If you’re an alumnus, parent, or student who is curious about how to get involved or contribute to the mission of the La Follette School, please contact Associate Director Steve Kulig: skulig@lafollette.wisc.edu

People

Please take a few minutes to review La Follette School’s list of faculty in Public Affairs (https://lafollette.wisc.edu/faculty-staff/) and our research and work in health policy (https://lafollette.wisc.edu/research/health-aging/).

Staff contact information

Mary Davis Michaud, Faculty Associate, La Follette School of Public Affairs
mdmichaud@wisc.edu
608-262-7390
110A Observatory Hill Office Building

Marie Koko, Senior Career Services Coordinator, La Follette School of Public Affairs
marie.koko@wisc.edu (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/lafollette-school-public-affairs/public-affairs-certificate/
marie.koko@wisc.edu)
608-262-3908
204 Observatory Hill Office Building

David Wright-Racette, Senior Student Status Examiner, La Follette School of Public Affairs
wrightracette@lafollette.wisc.edu
608-262-9163

Careers

Health policy issues affect every resident and community in the United States. Because of its complexity, people working in the health sector benefit from understanding specific terminology, issues, and systems involved in policymaking. Through the Certificate in Health Policy, students will build the knowledge base for this work while also gaining skills in quantitative analysis, communication, writing, critical thinking, and problem solving. More and more, employers across the health sector value this combination of skills and insights.

Students interested in health care, advocacy, business, or research will earn a credential highlighting highly sought-after skills that, through the fieldwork component of the certificate, they have applied in the context of real-world practice. Focused on evidence-based health policy and practice, courses help students hone skills to gather data and information from a variety of sources, analyze and synthesize the findings, and communicate key insights using clear, concise communication strategies.

Career development is an integral part of the La Follette School experience, with staff members and alumni eager to support and mentor students with diverse interests. Students benefit from networking opportunities, employer visits, professional development seminars, and other services.