1. Students will demonstrate understanding of major current and past public policy debates, and how to approach questions and research with a public policy lens.

2. Students will gain knowledge and demonstrate application of methodological tools utilized in the public policy arena (e.g., policy memo writing, policy analysis, experience working with administrative data, program evaluation, cost-benefit analysis, performance management).

3. Students will demonstrate understanding and application of knowledge regarding the substantive policy area of interest of their choice (e.g., education, health, social, environmental, science).

4. Students will gain practical professional experience in a public policy work setting.