

10 Things You Could Do As a NASPAA Member School

1 Join a Global Public Affairs Education Community

- Membership brings you into a community of 285 schools of public affairs around the globe
- Networks of deans & program directors, faculty, career services directors, and admissions directors

2 Participate in Quality Assurance

- NASPAA accreditation: a voluntary quality assurance program for master's degrees in public affairs
- Standards as best practices benefit the entire field of public affairs education

3 Attend Conferences & Meetings

- NASPAA Annual Conference (Fall)
- Career Professionals Conference (December)
- Admissions Directors meeting (June)

4 Stay Informed

- Get regular updates, news, opportunities through NASPAA's newsletter, website, & social media
- Connect with colleagues at other schools and share best practices via multiple NASPAA listservs

5 Connect to Jobs and Careers

- PublicServiceCareers.org site focuses on jobs in the public sector and provides advice
- NASPAA works with US federal agencies to strengthen internship and career opportunities for students
- Learn about job openings at member schools

6 Use Membership Data

- Data Center is building the authoritative database in public affairs education
- Programs will be able to benchmark and compare to peer and aspirational schools
- Prospective students will be able to compare schools using a variety of criteria

7 Celebrate Excellence

- Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society: over 160 chapters recognize and connect top students
- Annual Awards recognize student research and dissertations, faculty teaching, and outstanding programs

8 Read the Latest Research in the *Journal of Public Affairs Education*

- Members receive the quarterly scholarly journal via email, with free online access to back issues
- Faculty can get published on topics and issues of importance

9 Connect Through Social Media

- Facebook group for current MPA/MPP students
- LinkedIn group connects 14,000 students and alumni, for networking and career advice sharing
- YouTube channel targeted at prospective students

10 Engage with US Federal Agencies

- NASPAA is a central player in the effort to reform and improve US federal hiring of graduate students
- "Fed Café" online community connect schools with US federal agencies to engage on research and data