

**UPPP 167: Public Policy &
Governance Winter 2021**

UCI Urban Planning & Public Policy

Class Schedule: Tu Th 5 – 6:20 pm

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Course description

This course will center on discussing policy drafting and implementation, the influence of different stakeholders on these processes, and the populations affected by different policies (e.g. policing, housing, defense, health, environmental, electoral, planning). Within these broad goals, students will learn about the bases for agenda setting and decision-making (e.g. needs and priorities) and discuss the effectiveness of different policies and their management approaches. In parallel, we will discuss how policymakers, among other prevalent stakeholders, share information and shape public communications, opinions, and understandings surrounding policy issues. By the end of the course, students will be able to assess and effectively discuss policy issues.

Course goals and outcomes (students will be able to):

- *Grasp processes of policy drafting and implementation
- *Identify some of the most prevalent actors and dynamics involved in policy implementation and management
- *Discuss the effectiveness and implications of policy examples
- *Assess the influence of different stakeholders in shaping public opinion