

Ethics and Public Affairs

This section presents the requirements for programs in:

- **Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs**
- **Graduate Diploma in Ethics and Public Affairs**

Program Requirements

Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs (5.0 credits)

Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs (10.0 credits)

1. 3.0 credits in:	3.0
EPAF 5500 [0.5] Practicum	
EPAF 6000 [0.5] Ethical Concerns in Public Affairs	
EPAF 6100 [1.0] Public Reason I	
EPAF 6200 [1.0] Public Reason II	
2. Proficiency in a social science research methodology, as evidenced by successful completion of an approved graduate-level methods course (0.5 credit) either at Carleton University or another university. (May be satisfied on or after admission).	
3. 1.0 credit in:	1.0
EPAF 6600 [0.5] Theory Examination	
EPAF 6700 [0.5] Area Examination	
4. 1.0 credit in approved electives at the graduate level (which may include a methods course)	1.0
5. Public defence of a written dissertation proposal, preceded by its formal acceptance by the supervisory committee	
6. Submission and successful defence of a thesis proposal	
7. 0.0 credits in:	0.0
EPAF 6909 [0.0] Ph.D. Thesis	
8. Public defence of the dissertation	
9. Presentation of research findings to a professional audience	
Total Credits	5.0

Graduate Diploma in Ethics and Public Affairs (3.0 credits)

Requirements:

1. 2.0 credits in:	2.0
EPAF 6100 [1.0] Public Reason I	
EPAF 6200 [1.0] Public Reason II	
2. 1.0 credit in electives from:	1.0
EPAF 5000 [0.5] Topics in Ethics and Public Affairs	
EPAF 5100 [0.5] Supervised Research Tutorial	
EPAF 5200 [0.5] Ethics in Organizations	
EPAF 5300 [0.5] Values-based Deliberation	
EPAF 5500 [0.5] Practicum	
- or another course approved by the Program Director.	
Total Credits	3.0

Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Admission

The typical requirement for admission to the Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs is an average of A- or above in

honours or graduate courses, with evidence of proficiency in both (a) analytical ethics or political philosophy, and (b) social science or interdisciplinary studies including social science.

Admission

Admission to the Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs requires one of:

- A master's degree in a relevant field and an A average in relevant honours or graduate courses both in (a) analytical ethics or political philosophy and in (b) social science or interdisciplinary studies; or
- A master's degree in a relevant field, and successful performance in an EPAF graduate diploma program with an A average.

Ethics and Public Affairs (EPAF) Courses

EPAF 5000 [0.5 credit]

Topics in Ethics and Public Affairs

Students prepare for and attend a series of guest lectures, submitting in writing a critical analysis of some aspect of the presentation or discussion for each lecture they attend.

EPAF 5100 [0.5 credit]

Supervised Research Tutorial

On a particular public issue, students identify ethical concerns and a range of evidence-based and values-based arguments for alternative policy options, assessing the comparative strength of those arguments. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): EPAF 6100.

EPAF 5200 [0.5 credit]

Ethics in Organizations

A seminar on proactive approaches to ethical issues in organizations including design and implementation of ethics programs based on research in ethics and social science.

EPAF 5300 [0.5 credit]

Values-based Deliberation

A seminar exploring examples of civic and government dialogues on public issues, in light of theoretical foundations of deliberative dialogue.

EPAF 5500 [0.5 credit]

Practicum

Students gain experience doing ethics-related work in government, business, civil society, or consulting. Students report on their work as required, and their performance is graded satisfactory or unsatisfactory. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

EPAF 5800 [0.0 credit]**Workshop**

This workshop provides opportunities for gaining practical knowledge about academic and professional work in ethics and public affairs, through sharing experience among new students, advanced students, faculty, and guest speakers. Continued registration in each year of the EPAF programs is recommended but not required.

Prerequisite(s): Enrollment in Ethics and Public Affairs programs.

EPAF 6000 [0.5 credit]**Ethical Concerns in Public Affairs**

A tutorial in which students identify the range of ethical concerns raised by a particular public issue chosen by the student.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Prerequisite(s): enrolment in the Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs program.

EPAF 6100 [1.0 credit]**Public Reason I**

A seminar on the nature and limits of public reason, with application to a particular public issue chosen by the instructors. Normative concepts and theories of ethics and political philosophy will be studied as relevant to that issue.

EPAF 6200 [1.0 credit]**Public Reason II**

A seminar continuing from Public Reason I, with application to a different public issue, which makes relevant a different set of normative concepts and theories of ethics and political philosophy.

Prerequisite(s): EPAF 6100.

EPAF 6600 [0.5 credit]**Theory Examination**

Ph.D. comprehensive examination on main works and approaches in ethics and political philosophy.

EPAF 6700 [0.5 credit]**Area Examination**

Ph.D. comprehensive examination on main works and approaches concerning the public issue on which the student wishes to conduct dissertation research, including relevant social science, ethics, and political philosophy.

EPAF 6909 [0.0 credit]**Ph.D. Thesis**

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity