Economic Development - Graduate Certificate

The Graduate Certificate in Economic Development provides a specialization in the theories and practice of economic development, primarily within the U.S and Alabama. It is an interdisciplinary graduate certificate offered by the faculty of participating departments (Public Administration, Community Planning, and Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology) and is administered by the Master of Public Administration program.

Students may pursue the Graduate Certificate in Economic Development as a degree-seeking or non-degree seeking student. To earn the graduate minor, students must complete the program’s basic course, Economic Development and Competition (POLI 7700/7706), three elective courses selected from an approved list, and a one-week non-credit intensive economic development training course sponsored by the Government and Economic Development Institute (GEDI). The Auburn Intensive Economic Development Course is accredited by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC). Since its inception, this program has produced 1,300 alumni, 70% of whom have had jobs in community economic development. GEDI will be an active partner with the MPA program, linking the program to its extensive network of economic development practitioners throughout Alabama.

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Economic Development Seminar by GEDI

Choose any 3 the following courses: 9

- POLI 6150 Intergovernmental Relations and Federalism
- POLI 7140 Financial Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations
- POLI 7330 Seminar in Administrative Leadership, Responsibility, and Democratic Government
- POLI 7520 Program Evaluation
- POLI 7920 MPA Internship 3-6
- CPLN 6050 Land and Urban Economics
- CPLN 6090 Community Development
- CPLN 6460 Geographic Information Systems for Planning and Policy
- AGEC 7110 Agricultural Economic Development
- RSOC 6610 Rural Sociology
- RSOC 6650 Sociology of Natural Resources and the Environment
- RSOC 7620 Sociology of Community
- RSOC 7630 Political Economy of Development