



## Public Administration Employment Outlook 2010-2015

**There are really five parts** for you to consider when evaluating the employment outlook for Public Administration:

1. What provable knowledge and skills will I bring to the jobs market?
2. What opportunities will I have for continuing education and advanced degrees in Public Administration?
3. How do the prospects for jobs compare with other employment sectors?
4. How diverse are the employment opportunities available to me?
5. Are there possibilities for crossover opportunities into other employment sectors?

**And the answer is:**

1. At the heart of your experience will be two critical attainments. In all your courses, you will be challenged to think critically and creatively. And your Practicum/Internship experience will give you documentable proof that you can master, manage and bring to fruition a major project for the host organization.
2. Cleveland State University—on its campus and through the Partnership Program with LCCC—offers a seamless transfer into a bachelor degree program. Nationally, many colleges offer Public Administration bachelor degree programs. Many offer master and PhD Public Administration programs.
3. Public Administration employment opportunities in the not for profit field and in the government sector lead the private sector. And the number of not for profit organizations is growing faster than either government units or private firms.
4. Manager, planner, fund raiser, program worker, application (grants) developer, campaign worker, member of a politician's staff are some of the more common opportunities awaiting our graduates. Since the skills, knowledge and experience gained in the program are transferable, a number of graduates have moved into jobs in the corporate sector.

Some students are currently employed when they enroll in the degree or certificate program. They are looking to expand their skills and abilities or gain the degree or certificate to validate and support their abilities and accomplishments: a mayor, an event planner, a not for profit manager, a program coordinator, etc. are among our current students and recent graduates.

5. As indicated above, the corporate and professional world seeks the special skills Public Administration graduates have. Those especially interested in hiring our graduates are the corporations and professional organizations which have—or wish to have—an extensive presence in the not for profit world. One of our first graduates was employed by a bank to establish a center to deal with the special banking and lending needs of not for profits.