

## **Associate of Applied Science in Public Administration**



**The degree program offers** students three options. It may be used to obtain entry to midlevel employment. The degree opens opportunities for work in: not for profit organizations, government agencies, political offices (elected or as a staff member) or private and professional business concerns.

Other graduates will continue their education toward a bachelor degree. Many seek this option—either in the LCCC Partnership Program or on the home campus—through the 2 + 2 (actually almost 3 + 1) partnership with Cleveland State University. This option has a number of benefits for LCCC graduates. Other graduates will transfer to other schools throughout the United States which offer such programs.

Some students are currently employed. Some seek the degree to validate their basic and broad knowledge in their current position. Others seek the degree as a platform for greater responsibility, promotion or job change.

## **Certificate of Proficiency in Public Administration**



Three groups of students will find the Certificate especially beneficial: 1. those currently employed in a governmental, not for profit or political-organization position; 2. People who already have another degree (bachelor) in a completely different field who need to develop expertise in certain aspects of public administration; 3. students who have completed an associate degree in criminal justice, fire science, human services, political science, or any other degree and who wish to prepare to move into management; 4. those students enrolling in a degree program such as those previously mentioned but who want a broader perspective and a foundation for promotion into management. Any

of these students may also apply courses required for the Certificate toward an Associate of Applied Science in Public Administration Degree. Course work designed and taught by faculty who have worked at every level of governmental service, in not for profit management, in fundraising and grantsmanship, in political structures and in consulting across all these fields assures students of a sound basis for both entry level and mid management employment in a variety of governmental, political and not for profit fields. Practical experience gained through Practicum/Internship settings further assures quality experience in one or more of these areas