MGPS Spring Advising Session 17 October 2013

- I. Registration Details: http://www.utexas.edu/lbj/students/registration.
 - **a. Registration runs October 28- November 8.** Check your RIS (Reg Info Sheet) to learn about your specific registration access periods & any bars posted to your record that would prevent you from registering: https://utdirect.utexas.edu/registrar/ris.WBX.
 - **b. Registration Bars** CLEAR THEM PRIOR TO THE END OF THE BUSINESS DAY ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25.
 - c. Waitlists, Enrolling in restricted and Law School class, and other registration information.
 - d. May Department-Led Study Abroad Courses:
 - 1. Gholz/Busby PA 388K #63570- Rising Powers & Global Governance in Brazil in May; open registration.
 - 2. Eaton PA 388K #63500- Global Environmental Health in China in May; check with Eaton for details & registration instructions.

e. Summer Courses:

1. PA 383C Policy Development with Ruth Wassem in DC, summer 2014 (details not yet available).

II. Required Courses for second years

- a. PA 383G PGA sections: Hutchings/Redei (W 9-12); Green (M 2-5); Gholz (M 2-5)
- b. PA 393H International Economics (Flamm) (W 2-5)
- a. PRPs: info session date TBD
- b. Writing III in Spring 2014: Dr. Redei, M 9-12, Jan.13-Feb.17
- c. Writing I-III (three credit version): Dr. Helfert, M 9-12

III. Pre-approved Course Specialization List (please note that many classes are still pending and will likely be available for registration during January during the add/drop period).

- a. Getting a course approved for a specialization:
 - i. International Finance & Trade: Ken Flamm
 - ii. Security, Law and Diplomacy: Jeremi Suri
 - iii. International Development: Josh Busby
 - iv. Global Governance & International Law: Kate Weaver
 - v. Energy, Environment & Technology: Varun Rai
 - vi. Regional and Custom Specializations: Kate Weaver

IV. MPAff Core Course Restrictions and GPS Registration Opportunities:

a. All sections of **PA 383C/Policy Development** will be restricted to MPAff students until the January add/drop period, EXCEPT for Admiral Inman's PA 383C "Managing Crisis" course, which opens to GPS students on Oct. 28.

IV. MPAff Core Course Restrictions and GPS Registration Opportunities, Continued....

b. The following sections of **PA 397C/Advanced Empirical Methods** will be restricted to MPAff students through Wednesday, October 30:

#63785 with Heinrich

#63775 with Wilson

#63790 with Matwiczak

PA 397C/Advanced Empirical Methods #63765 with Lincove will be restricted to MGPS students through Wed, Oct.30- register before then if interested!

c. All sections of **PA 393L/Advanced Policy Economics** will be restricted to MPAff students through Wednesday, October 30, EXCEPT for Ken Flamm's PA 393L "Technology & International Industrial Policy in Global High Tech Industries" course, which opens to GPS students on Oct. 28.

V. One-credit course offerings (PA 188G; PA 188S)

PA188G: China: Human Rights Policy & Advocacy (R. Inboden) F 9-12; April 4-May 2

PA188G: NGO Project Design and Development (K. McCaston), F 9-12 (Feb.21-March 28) -

Day & Time TBD

PA188G: Security Policy Analysis (B. Green), M 9-12, Feb.24-March 31

PA188G: PA188G Prospects for Citizen Engagement in Burma: Is Decentralization the Answer?,

(J. Morrison), Day and Time TBD

PA188S: UT Energy Symposium (V. Rai), Th 5:15-7:00 pm

PA188S: Public Speakers Series (C. Stolp)

VI. Conference courses: PA389 - by instructor permission only (see the following link on the LBJ School's "Student Forms" page for registration approval request form:

https://www.utexas.edu/lbj/intranet/forms/conference-course-registration-form.

VII. Washington, D.C Summer Program (see handout)

VIII. Internships

a. Submit the "Internship Approval Request Form" to obtain Graduate Advisor approval for your internship placement:

https://www.utexas.edu/lbj/intranet/forms/mgps-internship-approval-request-form).

- b. Travel Policy
- c. Funding
- d. Internship for Academic Credit: PA 396G (students must receive instructor & advisor internship approval before registering for the internship credit, see:

https://www.utexas.edu/lbj/intranet/forms/mgps-internship-approval-request-form).

IX. Academic Probation Policy /Failing Grades

- a. Any C- or below is considered a failing grade in a course, and the course cannot be counted towards your program of work
- b. GPAs falling below 3.0 will be place students on academic probation.

X. Professional Report:

a. For details & instructions, see: https://www.utexas.edu/lbj/intranet/policies/masters-professional-report-pr.

b. Students must submit a PR Committee Selection & Registration Approval form prior to registering for the LBJ School's PA 398R class. See aforementioned link for instructions regarding selection of readers; The PR registration form is available at the following link: https://www.utexas.edu/lbj/intranet/forms/professional-report-pr-committee-selection-and-registration-approval-form.

- XI. Other requirements: Foreign Language
- XII. Questions/Concerns?