

Emerging Public Policy Issues in Texas & the American South

An in-person conference for the next generation of diverse public policy changemakers

Application Deadline:
Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Through the PPIA Public Service Weekend conference, participants will focus on the evolving landscape of voting rights, civil rights, civic engagement, immigration, bipartisanship, and housing & affordability across Texas and the South. Participants will learn from distinguished academics, nonprofit professionals, policymakers from the field, and community activists from the LBJ School community.

Who Should Apply?

- Rising college sophomores, juniors, seniors, and early career professionals interested in public service and public policy graduate education and careers are strongly encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to those from Texas, the South, and the Southwest.
- Individuals with seen and unseen identities, or those with diverse lived experience, who have been historically underrepresented in public service. Students of color, first generation college students, and those that identify as LGBTQIA+ are strongly encouraged to apply.

Benefits to Participants

- Network with current LBJ students, LBJ alumni, PPIA alumni, and other program participants as you consider graduate programs and careers in public policy.
- Participate in interactive presentations and dialogues that focus on helping the next generation of changemakers bridge the polarization gap, including how to be influential in bipartisan and nonpartisan environments.
- Your voice is important in creating change! Learn the fundamentals of researching, writing, and delivering effective, fact-based oral testimony

Conference Schedule

July 22 - July 24, 2022

- The LBJ School's 2022 PPIA Public Service Weekend will be held 100% in-person.
- Applicants will have the opportunity to request travel assistance as part of their application.
- Participants in the LBJ School's PPIA Public Service weekend will be provided free on-campus housing and meals as part of the conference.

Required In-Person Programming

Friday, July 22 – Arrive in Austin, Conference check-in between 9am & Noon CT

Saturday, July 23 – All day programming

Sunday, July 24 – Conference check-out at 1:30pm CT

For more information on the conference and to apply:
www.lbj.utexas.edu/ppia-public-service-weekend-2022