AT UCLA LUSKIN

OUR PROGRAM
Founded in 1994, UCLA Public Policy seeks to:
• enhance the range of ideas and knowledge about public issues
• conduct research directed at problems that affect society
• educate public policy professionals for leadership
• partner with public servants and the community to solve public problems

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PUBLIC POLICY
Health, education, the environment, poverty—these are just some of the most urgent issues confronting lawmakers and civic leaders today. As a public policy practitioner, you have the ability to influence decision-making at the highest level. By blending new perspectives and evidence-based analysis with creative approaches, you are well positioned to create widespread change at every level of our society.

Right now
Right here
Become an agent of change
Only at UCLA Luskin

“At Luskin, we marshal the tools of social science to address human problems and to improve the quality of individual lives, families, communities, and the wider world.”
Gary Segura
Dean, UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs

“ The people I’ve met at Luskin have changed my life, and I know that together we can change the world.”
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At the convergence of the fields of social work, urban planning, and policymaking, the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs identifies and develops emerging areas of research and teaching, cultivating leaders and change agents who advance solutions to society’s most pressing problems.

Located in one of the world’s most dynamic and culturally vibrant cities, UCLA Luskin Public Policy provides access to a diverse social laboratory that allows you to apply your knowledge towards the implementation of real-world policy solutions. With 57 percent of our students coming from diverse backgrounds, we reflect this vibrancy as we continue our mission to advance knowledge in the public interest.

OUR PROGRAM
UCLA Luskin’s Master of Public Policy is a full-time, two-year program that combines analysis and policy making with rigorous quantitative training and advanced case study experience to prepare you to become an informed agent of change. Our students have big ideas, and come to us to gain the practical, cutting-edge tools and techniques they need to turn those ideas into reality. As part of our curriculum, you will participate in a team-based investigation of a real policy problem facing a client. Through the development of evidence-based and actionable solutions, you will finish our program having effected real change in the world.

Our program allows students to learn from and work with scholars and researchers across the university, both in and out of the classroom. Choose from a wide range of electives and collaborate with faculty recognized as leaders in disciplines such as:
• Data Analytics
• Education
• Environmental studies
• Health
• Housing & Urban Development
• Immigration
• International Development & Comparative Policy
• Nonprofit Leadership and Management
• Poverty & Inequality
• Technology
• Transportation

Policy Analysis is a multidisciplinary field of study, and many of our students have professional aspirations that require multiple degrees. UCLA Luskin Public Policy has Joint Master Degree programs in:
• Law
• Management
• Medicine
• Public Health
• Social Welfare
FUNDING YOUR UCLA DEGREE
As a UCLA Luskin student, you have a variety of financial aid options, including merit-based fellowships, teaching assistantships, and research appointments. All eligible students are guaranteed a need-based fellowship award from the department. Additional funding is available from both the UCLA Graduate Division and Financial Aid Office. For further information, visit our website.

PUBLIC POLICY GRADUATES
Working in:
- 39% Nonprofit Sector
- 6% Higher Education
- 26% Public Sector
- 29% Private Sector

77% employed within 1 month of graduation
45% found employment through a connection built at UCLA Luskin

UCLA LUSKIN: AGENTS OF CHANGE

Jaime Nack
Jaime Nack, Master of Public Policy ’02, is President of Three Squares Inc. (TSI) — an award-winning sustainability consulting firm specializing in creating impactful strategies for cities, corporations, events, and nonprofits. Nack is one of the nation’s most prominent environmental experts and has advised Fortune 500 companies, cities, and large-scale events. Nack served as Director of Sustainability and Greening Operations for the 2008 Democratic National Convention, marking the first time that measures were taken to reduce the environmental impact of the event on the host city. Nack currently serves as Director of Sustainability for the Global Climate Action Summit co-chaired by California Gov. Jerry Brown; Michael Bloomberg; UNFCCC’s Executive Secretary Patricia Espinosa; and Anand Mahindra. In 2011, Nack was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum. She received an appointment under the Obama administration to the National Women’s Business Council, advising the President, Congress, and the SBA on economic issues of importance to women business owners. In 2013, Nack was named Environmental Conservator of the Year by the L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce. She embodies the kind of change agent for which UCLA Luskin is known.