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Doctor of Philosophy in Public Affairs (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/trumanschoolofpublicaffairs/publicaffairs/phd-public-affairs) (PhD)

Cooperative Dual Degrees
Master of Public Affairs and Juris Doctorate (http://law.missouri.edu/jd/dual/public-affairs)

Graduate Certificates:
Community Processes Certificate (https://truman.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/certificates/community-processes-certificate)

Grantsmanship Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/trumanschoolofpublicaffairs/additionalminorsandcertificates/graduate-certificate-grantsmanship)
Nonprofit Management Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/trumanschoolofpublicaffairs/additionalminorsandcertificates/graduate-certificate-nonprofit-management)
Organizational Consulting & Change Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/trumanschoolofpublicaffairs/additionalminorsandcertificates/graduate-certificate-organizational-consulting-and-change)
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