In keeping with Pepperdine University’s Institutional Educational Objectives, the School of Public Policy has established the following program educational objectives for its Masters in Public Policy program:

Upon completion of the MPP program, graduates will:

1. Understand the purpose of public policy and its place within the political process;

2. Master the basic methodologies used in public policy: economic analysis, quantitative methods, and moral reasoning;

3. Apply decision frameworks that appropriately incorporate and balance competing perspectives and interests; and

4. Develop professional skills that foster the proper course of action.

The successful mastery of these educational objectives will result in students who are prudent and ethical leaders in public policy who will effectively lead communities to make prudent choices to address their issues of mutual concern.