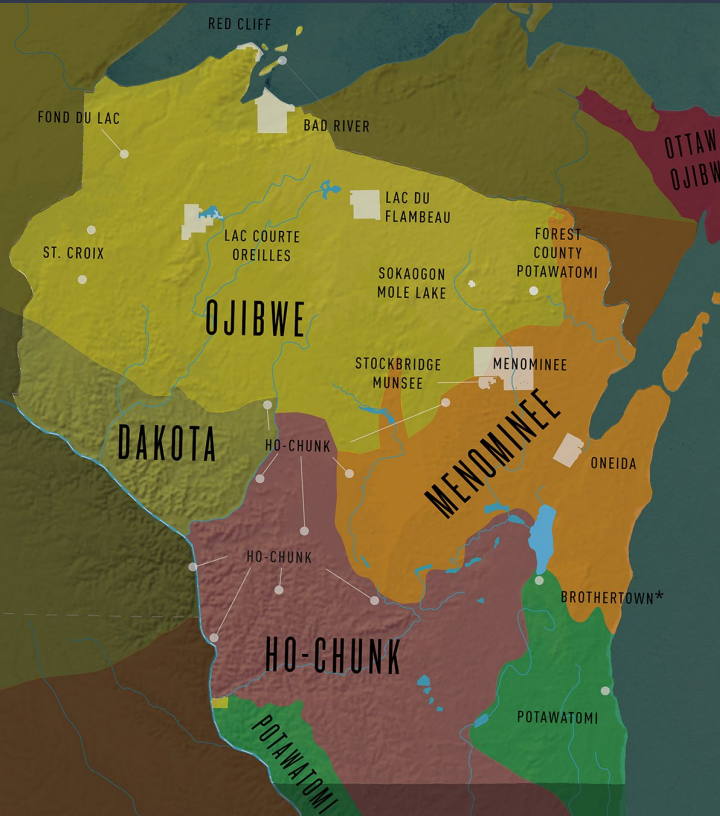


Welcome to Admitted Student Visit Day
at the La Follette School of Public Affairs!



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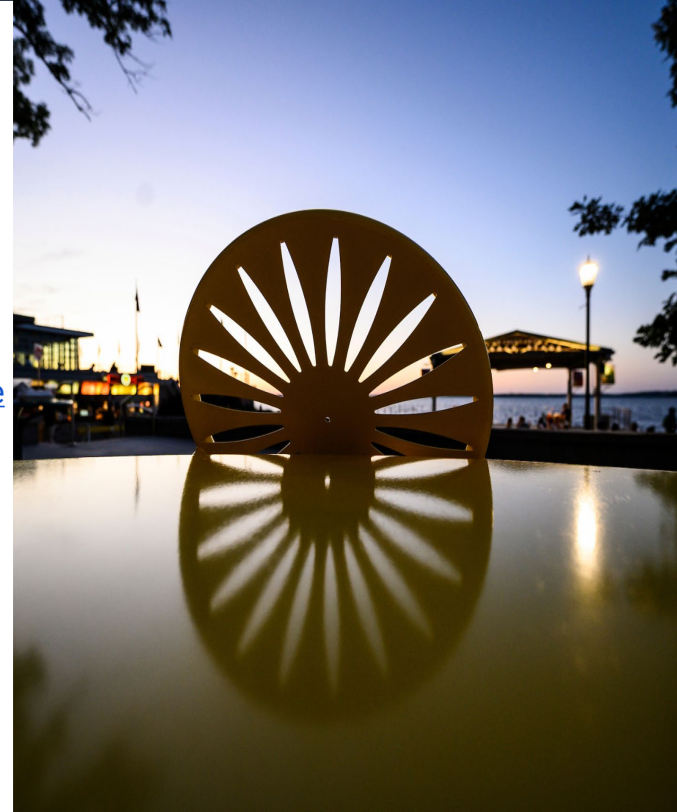
The University of Wisconsin–Madison occupies ancestral Ho-Chunk land, a place their nation has called Teejop (day-JOPE) since time immemorial. In an 1832 treaty, the Ho-Chunk were forced to cede this territory.

Decades of ethnic cleansing followed when both the federal and state government repeatedly, but unsuccessfully, sought to forcibly remove the Ho-Chunk from Wisconsin.

This history of colonization informs our shared future of collaboration and innovation. Today, UW–Madison respects the inherent sovereignty of the Ho-Chunk Nation, along with the eleven other First Nations of Wisconsin.

Agenda

- 10:00 am** Arrive, check-in, light refreshments
- 10:30 am** Welcome and School Mission, Vision, and Values with
[Interim Director Greg Nemet](#)
- 10:45 am** Program and Curricular Information
- 12:15 pm** Lunch
- 1:20 pm** [PA 873: Introduction to Policy Analysis](#) with [Professor Christine Durrance](#)
- 2:20 pm** Campus tour with the [La Follette School Student Association](#)
- 3:15 pm** Break
- 3:30 pm** Breakout Groups with current [La Follette School Students](#)
- 4:15 pm** [Faculty panel](#)
- 5:00 pm** Wrap-up and final questions



Interim Director of the La Follette School, Greg Nemet



- Interim Director of the La Follette School and Professor of Public Affairs
- Research focuses on understanding the process of technological change and the ways in which public policy can affect it.
- He teaches courses in energy systems analysis, policy analysis, and international environmental policy.

Presenters

Mo O'Connor



Graduate Program
Manager

Marie Koko



Director of Career &
Employer Services

Carlos Puga



Associate Director
Project Assistant,
LSSA President, MPA-
JD '26; BS '22

Steve Kulig



Associate Director,
MPA '14



La Follette School Mission & Vision

- **Mission:**
 - We train leaders and conduct research to inspire evidence-based policymaking and to advance the public good.
- **Vision:**
 - Evidence-based public policymaking that impacts society's pressing problems.



People: 101 Graduate students, 470 Undergraduate students,
23 Faculty, 21 Staff, Over 2600 Alumni



Wisconsin Idea in Action

- Service-learning with real world client projects
- Legislator and policymaker outreach
- Campus and community partnerships
- Outreach events
 - La Follette Forums
 - Journalist in Residence



La Follette in Chicago

American Institutes for Research, January 2024



City of Madison

- State capital of Wisconsin
- One of two major U.S. cities built on an isthmus and surrounded by miles of lakeshore
- The largest producer-only farmers' market in the country
- Home to over 260 parks, 6,000 acres of parkland and more than 200 miles of off-road and multi-use paths and trails
- Average age of residents just over 30
- Official city bird: Pink plastic flamingo



Academic Experience at the La Follette School

- Courses led by world-renowned [faculty and instructors](#)
- Supported by [academic and career advising](#)
- Community atmosphere
- Focus on [applied learning experiences](#)



Academic Offerings

- 2-year MPA and MIPA are 42-credit degree programs designed to provide you with the best of both worlds:
 - Core courses, flexible electives, client projects



Additional Academic Offerings

- Accelerated MPA & MIPA (4+1)
- Dual-degrees and Double-degrees
 - Juris Doctorate
 - Master of Public Health
 - Ph.D. in Neuroscience
 - Master in Urban and Regional Planning
- Popular certificates
 - Energy Analysis and Policy
 - Entrepreneurship
 - Strategic Innovation
 - Business, Environment, and Social Responsibility
 - Community Engaged Scholarship
 - Life Sciences Communication
 - [Many others](#)



Questions so far?

Still to come:

- Course offerings
- Professional development
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Funding your education
- Campus involvement



La Follette Winter Celebration, December 2023

Applied Training via Core Course Work

- Professional development workshop
- Quantitative foundation in microeconomics and statistical methods for public policy
- Policy analysis skill building
- Policy making process (MPA) and international governance (MIPA)
- Public management (MPA) and international trade and regulation (MIPA)
- Client-based projects for final capstone course



Customize your Degree with Elective Choices

- Substantive policy areas
 - Environmental policy
 - Social policy
 - Health policy
 - International development
- Skill building
 - Cost-Benefit Analysis
 - Program Evaluation
 - Advanced Statistical Methods
 - Nonprofit Management
 - Public Budgeting
- Flexibility to take courses across campus



Professional Development Courses Options

- [Public Affairs 800: Professional Development Seminar](#) (1 credit)
 - Required course taken during your first semester
- [Public Affairs 802: Public Affairs Seminar Series](#) (1-2 credits)
 - Elective offered during the spring. Attend seminars across campus
- [Public Affairs 827: Administrative Internship](#) (1-3 credits)
 - Offered every semester. Usually taken during the summer



Professional Development Advising & Resources

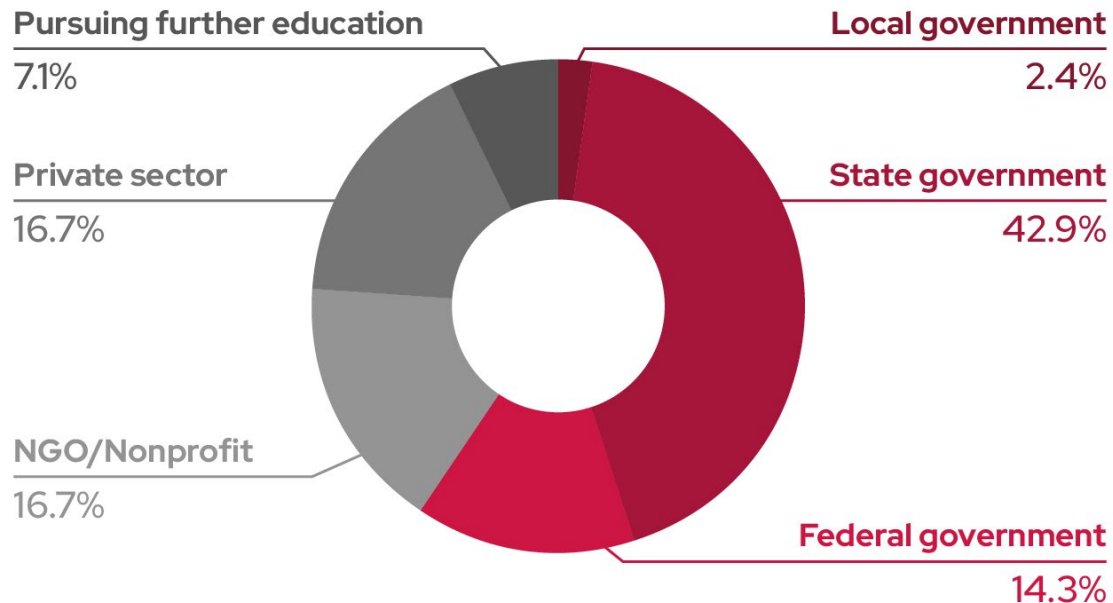
- Professional development events
- Advising with LFS faculty and staff
- Engage with alumni and employers
- Summer Policy Learning Experience
- Curated internship & job postings
- LinkedIn Career Group
- Handshake
- SuccessWorks resources



Post-Graduation Career Statistics

- 97% of 2023 graduates secured employment in their field by December of 2023
 - This number was 93% in 2022 and 98% in 2021

GRADUATE CLASS of 2023 CAREER PLACEMENT (six months after graduating)



Questions so far?

Still to come:

- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion
- Campus Involvement
- Funding your Graduate Education
- Funding Landscape
- Canvas Page
- Why Choose LFS

Ezra Klein: Why We're Polarized



Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

[La Follette School Diversity, Equity & Inclusion](#)

- Create diverse, inclusive, and excellent learning and work environments for all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and others who partner with the La Follette School of Public Affairs; and,
- Seek and value all differences and develop the systems and work practices that support members of every group to succeed and fully contribute.
- [La Follette School Student Association](#) Diversity & Inclusion Coordinators [Dominique Villaseñor](#) and [Summer Mitchell](#) along with DEI Standing Committee comprised of student reps, faculty,



Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Continued

- UW-Madison campus resources to build community, grow and find support
 - [Multicultural Student Center](#) including identity centers such as the [Black Cultural Center](#), [Latinx Cultural Center](#), [Asian-Pacific Islander Desi American \(APIDA\) Student Center](#), and [Indigenous Student Center](#)
 - [Gender & Sexuality Center](#), [University Veterans Services](#), [McBurney Disability Resource Center](#), [International Student Services](#), [DACA/Undocumented Student Support](#) and more



Campus Involvement

- La Follette School Student Association ([LSSA](#))
- Wisconsin Involvement Network ([WIN](#)): Close to 900 student orgs
- Wisconsin Union Directorate ([WUD](#))
 - Art & Music Events
 - Wisconsin Hoofers
- Recreation and Wellbeing ([R&W](#))
 - Intramural sports, personal and group fitness
- Associated Students of Madison ([ASM](#)): Student body governance
- Office of Diversity, Inclusion, & Funding [Graduate Student Inclusion & Engagement Events](#)



Funding your Graduate Education

- [UW-Madison tuition & fees](#)
- [UW-Madison cost of attendance](#)
- How to fund your education
 - Federal loans (complete the FAFSA)
 - Fellowships, assistantships, scholarships
 - Both at LFS and across campus
 - Personal
 - Work income, savings, private loans, military benefits, external fellowships
- [Wall Street Journal analysis](#) shows that LFS among most affordable public policy schools



Funding Landscape

- About half of eligible incoming students will receive a funding offer from the La Follette School
- All funding we have available has been offered
- Dedicated module in Canvas to help find funding at UW-Madison
- In fall 2023, 80% of LFS students held an assistantship with tuition remission, low-cost health insurance and a stipend



Admitted Student Canvas Page

- Profiles of students, faculty, alumni, and staff
- La Follette School Student Association Housing Guide
- Available Assistantships, Other Job Opportunities, and Scholarships module
- Watch a La Follette School class lecture or career development workshop
- Campus involvement with information about student organizations, affinity groups, dedicated cultural center spaces, and research centers



The La Follette School is a Great Choice!

- Course flexibility
- Client-based projects
- Small program, supportive community
- Tailored career services
- Strong alumni network
- State capital city
- World-class, tier-1 research university with many funding opportunities



Lunch until 1:15



PA 873: Policy Analysis, Professor Christine Durrance



- As an applied microeconomist, she concentrates in health economics and policy.
- Her work includes a focus on maternal, infant, and reproductive health; risky behavior and the legal and policy environment.
- Her research has been published in numerous peer-reviewed journals, including Health Services Research, Contemporary Economic Policy, JAMA Pediatrics, and American Journal of Health Economics.

Campus Tour with La Follette Student Association



Break until 3:25



Breakout Groups with Current La Follette Students



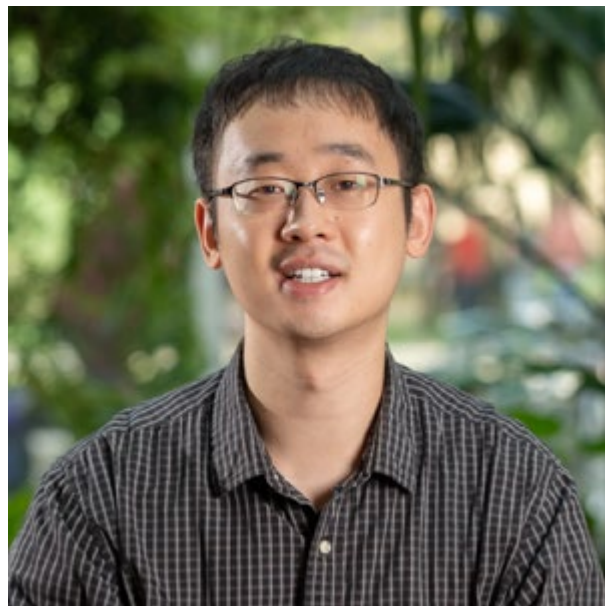
La Follette School Faculty Members



Morgan Edwards
Reed Lei



Denia Garcia



Looking Forward

- Contact admissions@lafollette.wisc.edu if you have any questions
- Canvas site updated with video from today
- Qualtrics evaluation coming

