APPLICATION PROCESS

1. **Download the MAAPP Combined Pathway application found at FSUmaapp.com and return the completed form to the Department of Political Science’s Academic Coordinator, Elisa Kuchvalek.** The application can be submitted by e-mail (ekuchvalek@fsu.edu) or in-person (BEL 533). Combined Pathway requirements include:
   - Minimum 3.50 GPA overall and in upper-division coursework (defined as the semester of the 60th credit hour on)
   - OR
   - Minimum 3.00 GPA and a minimum score of 149 on both the Quantitative and Verbal sections of the GRE. A weighted score of 151 on the LSAT will be accepted in lieu of the GRE.
   - Completion of a minimum of 75 credit hours to include POS3713 (Political Science Research), and no fewer than 24 credit hours taken at Florida State University.
   - Stated intention to complete the MS degree in Applied American Politics and Policy.

2. **Schedule a Meeting with Political Science Department**
   - Once your application is submitted, you will be contacted to schedule a meeting with the Political Science Department.
   - During the meeting, we will discuss the expectations associated with the pathway, course scheduling and selection, and address any of your questions or concerns.

AFTER ADMISSION TO THE COMBINED PATHWAY

1. **Register for MAAPP Course(s)**
   - If you are selected for admission to the MAAPP Combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway, you will be contacted via e-mail by the Academic Coordinator; this e-mail will include specific instructions regarding how to register for your first MAAPP course(s).
   - Students in the Combined Pathway may take a maximum of 12 credit hours of approved graduate-level coursework that will count simultaneously towards requirements for both degree programs (BA/BS and MS).

2. **Mid-semester Check-in**
   - Students in the Combined Pathway will have a check-in with the Political Science Department each semester. This helps ensure progress on the Combined Pathway and supports planning for the steps needed to successfully apply for admission to MAAPP.
ADMISSION TO MAAPP

1. **Apply for Admission to MAAPP**
   - Combined Pathway students still need to apply for full admission to the MAAPP program. Application deadlines are: March 1 (for Summer); July 1 (for Fall); and Nov. 1 (for Spring).
   - Both the MAAPP program and the FSU Graduate School application should be submitted in *the first six weeks of the semester prior to the student’s intended acceptance in the MAAPP program*. For example, if you intend to start your MS in the summer, your application would need to be submitted by March 1.
     - The application for MAAPP is available at: FSUmaapp.com
     - The application for the FSU Graduate School is available at: admissions.fsu.edu/graduate/
   - Requirements are detailed in the applications and include (but are not limited to): GRE or LSAT scores, official transcripts, and a statement of purpose.
   - Please note: approval for the Combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway does not guarantee admission to the MAAPP if the student falls below minimum graduate admission requirements.

If you have any questions about the Combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway in Applied American Politics & Policy, feel free to contact:

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