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Start Date: Semester 1, 2026

Year 1 – 2026	Semester 1 Units	CP	Semester 2 Units	CP
	GOV602 Governance, Public Policy and the Transforming State (core unit)	6	GOV605 Public Sector Management (core unit)	6
	GOV613 Public Policy Perspectives (core unit)	6	GOV603 Political Communication: Actors, Challenges and Digital Cultures (core unit)	6
	Total	12	Total	12
Year 2 – 2026	Semester 1 Units	CP	Semester 2 Units	CP
	GOV606: Policy and Program Evaluation (core unit)	6	#Elective units to a total of 12 points	
	*GOV600: Policy Research: Strategies, Methods and Design (required unit)	6		
	Total	12	Total	12

TOTAL CREDIT POINTS 48

Semester 1 2026 notes	Semester 2 2026 notes
<p>It is strongly recommended that commencing students complete both GOV602 and GOV613 in S1 2026</p> <p>*GOV600 is a <i>required unit</i> for students undertaking the specialist knowledge pathway.</p>	<p>It is strongly recommended that students complete both GOV605 and GOV603 in their second semester of study.</p> <p>A list of elective units can be viewed here: https://handbook.murdoch.edu.au/courses/05/M1394</p>

Please note: This course plan is a sample only and must be read in conjunction with the full course structure, unit prerequisites and enrolment options as outlined in the [Handbook](#). Students should note that due to unit prerequisites, commencing study in Semester 2 may extend the duration of the course. This information is correct as at 18/10/2025