Career Cluster: **Government and Public Administration**

Jobs in this cluster involve planning, managing, and providing government, administrative, and regulatory services at the federal, state, and local levels. While nearly every occupation can be found within government, this cluster focuses on only six concentrations.

**Pathway Descriptions**

**Foreign Service** workers serve in embassies, consulates, and in other diplomatic positions in Washington D.C. and around the world.

**Governance** workers include officials elected or appointed to local, state, and federal government positions.

**National Security** workers protect American interests around the world and provide for a safe environment for American citizens.

**Planning** workers develop land use policies, promote best use of a community’s resources, and provide data for officials to make informed decisions.

**Public Management and Administration** workers are stewards of public resources and work in positions within local, state, or federal agencies.

**Regulation** workers protect our health, safety, and environment as well as ensure the integrity of our financial transportation and public utilities.

**Revenue and Taxation** workers ensure that governmental units collect tax dollars, review tax returns, conduct audits, and collect overdue tax dollars.

**Nebraska Career Education Coursework**

- Intro to Human Services and Resources
- Business Law
- International Business
- Information Technology Applications
- Accounting
- American Government and Comparative Political Systems

**Extended Learning**

- Debate Team
- Mock Trial
- Jr. Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC)
- Speech Team
- Student Council
- Other Student Organizations with a Leadership Focus
- Attend Local Government Meetings
- Boys and Girls State
- County Government Day
- Community Service in Occupations in this Cluster
- Junior Achievement
- Leadership Development Programs

- Job shadow professionals
- Participate in internships
- Secure part-time employment
- Volunteer in this career area

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Students preparing for a career in the Government and Public Administration Career Cluster have a variety of postsecondary options. They can enter programs leading to a certificate or a degree at the associate, baccalaureate, or advanced degree level. The table below shows examples of postsecondary Government and Public Administration Career Cluster programs of study organized by pathway.

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