

**BRIEF SYLLABUS**  
**38:578:525 Public Sector Employment Issues**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Scope and nature of public employment; organizations of public employees; problems and issues of federal, state, county, and municipal employees; special problems of particular groups; emerging patterns and future developments.

*Note: This course fills a requirement in the Public Sector Graduate Certificate Program. It is an elective in the MLER program.*

**SMLR LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

**V. Understanding Context - Evaluate the context of workplace issues, public policies, and management decisions**

Public employment provides a very different context for employment relations issues than private employment. It also has been changing rapidly in recent years given budgetary and political pressures on civil service systems.

**ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

Assessment of these learning objectives will be based on student responses to specific questions on the final exam and/or on assignments.

**TYPICAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS\*:**

Assignments, Quizzes, and Presentations	15%
Student Participation	15%
Mid-Term Exam	20%
Final Exam	25%
Final Paper	25%

\*Course requirements are subject to change.