Symposium to showcase
Public Policy graduate students

The third annual Sacramento State Public Policy and Administration (PPA) Master’s Thesis Symposium will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, May 29, in Assembly Committee Room 126 of the Capitol.

The symposium will feature presentations by PPA graduate students from their recently completed theses. It is sponsored by the Graduate Association of Students in Public Policy Administration (GASPPA) and the Hornets Policy & Politics Alumni. GASPPA is a student-led organization that focuses on providing professional, academic and social support to students in the PPA master’s program.

Six students were selected to present their theses at the Capitol on some interesting and relevant subjects, including Medi-Cal, “green” buildings, income inequality, marijuana regulation, urban sprawl and smog checks. In addition, Sac State alum Diane Cummins, currently special advisor to the governor on state and local realignment efforts, will speak about how her academic training prepared her for a career in public service.

Professor Rob Wassmer, chair of the Department of Public Policy and Administration, believes this a wonderful opportunity for state policymakers to learn about the Sacramento State professional degree program and the highly relevant skills learned through it, as demonstrated by the policy-relevant findings of these theses.

Sacramento State’s Master of Public Policy and Administration is a professional degree opportunity for students interested in a public service career. The program provides skills necessary for management and budgeting, as well as analytical tools helpful for understanding the economic implications of policy choices, evaluating policy options, developing political strategies for advancing proposals and conducting/assessing research projects.

For more information on the Master of Public Policy and Administration, visit www.csus.edu/ppa/ or contact MPPA department chair Rob Wassmer at rwassme@csus.edu.
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