



## INDIANA UNIVERSITY

PAUL H. O'NEILL SCHOOL OF PUBLIC  
AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

### **Prior Experience:** **Military Experience Application Information** **MPA, MSES, & MPA-MSES**

***Students who started the program in summer 2022 or later***

*This form is intended for students with prior service with the U.S. military. Students with international military experience should fill out the Professional Experience application. Students pursuing transfer credit via the USMC Command and Staff agreement can contact the Records Office for more information.*

At O'Neill, we value the unique skills and experiences that our military students and student veterans bring to the classroom. As a benefit for your service, O'Neill will waive the experiential component of your degree and award a credit reduction based on years of service\*\* attained prior to the start of an O'Neill master's program:

- 3-credit hour reduction:
  - 1 year active duty or full-time guard/reserve
  - 2 years part-time guard/reserve
- 6-credit hour reduction:
  - 2 years active duty or full-time guard/reserve
  - 4 years part-time guard/reserve
- 9-credit hour reduction:
  - 4 years active duty or full-time guard/reserve
  - 8 years part-time guard/reserve

You should carefully plan the balance of your program with an advisor in order to utilize the full benefit you qualify for. Students must apply within the first 24 credit hours of the degree program or credit will be denied.

***\*\* Prior Experience credit reductions (which includes professional, military, and volunteer experience, or any combination of these) **will not exceed 9 credits.*****

*Please note that students pursuing a dual degree outside of O'Neill (e.g. MPA-JD, MSES-MS Chemistry, etc.) are not eligible for further credit reduction.*



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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student I.D. # \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Program \_\_\_\_\_ Service Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Description of service (location, responsibilities, etc.):

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**Official proof of service demonstrating the dates of service is required. Please redact any sensitive personal information on documents submitted by email.**

I am applying for a \_\_\_\_\_ credit hour reduction based on \_\_\_\_\_ years of service.

*In addition to the credit reduction, your service will waive the experiential component of your degree.*

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Student Signature Date MPO Signature Date

**Please submit this form to the O'Neill Graduate Advising Office in A305 or [agoneill@indiana.edu](mailto:agoneill@indiana.edu) for the MPO signature.** You will be notified of the outcome of your request via your IU email account within a few business days.

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