

CAREER FUNNEL (Least preferred)

Jobs in the government and public administration career cluster involve planning, managing, and providing government legislative and administrative and regulatory services and related general purpose government services at the federal, state, and local levels.

Career Pathways in Government and Public Administration

A career pathway is an area of concentration within a career cluster. Each pathway contains a group of careers requiring similar academic and technical skills as well as similar industry certifications or postsecondary education. The government and public administration career cluster has six pathways: planning, revenue and taxation, governance, regulation, national security, and foreign service.

- **Planning:** This pathway involves drawing up guidelines for how land in a particular area should be used.
- **Revenue and Taxation:** This pathway covers the workers who collect revenue for federal, state, and local governments.
- **Governance:** This pathway encompasses all the workers involved in the process of governing, either at the local, state, or federal level, including legislators, legislative aides, city managers, policy analysts, and policy researchers.
- **Regulation:** This pathway involves enforcing compliance with the laws and rules made by the government.
- **National Security:** The national security pathway includes workers involved in protecting the security of the nation.
- **Foreign Service:** The foreign service is a corps of professionals who represent the country abroad. Jobs include consul, attaché, ambassador, and foreign service officer.