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Program Structure and Process

For prospective applicants to access and utilize PPDE services, they will follow the instructions below.

1. Complete the PPDE Peer Application Advising Survey Form

2. If you would like assistance with your admission essays, send Statement of Purpose (SOP) and UCLA Fellowship essays (if applying) to ppde.peer.advising@gmail.com as a Word document. If you have not started the essays, please attached a document with brainstormed ideas (i.e. outline). Please save the documents in the following format: “FullName_SOP.doc” and “FullName_UCLAFellowship.doc”

3. Examples: “JoeBruin_SOP.doc” and “JoeBruin_UCLAFellowship.doc”

4. Include in the subject line of your email, “PPDE Peer Advising: Last Name, First Name”

5. If you have additional questions or concerns about the curriculum, the public policy degree, or student life at Luskin (or if you just want to introduce yourself!), include it in the body of the email along with your SOP and Fellowship statements.

6. The Peer Application Advising Program Forms will be accepted beginning October 1, 2020 for the 2021-2022 admissions cycle.