



# Master Of Public Policy and Management



With the increased worldwide and complex social challenges, such as economic crisis and government deficit, aging society, pollution and corruption, and rapid development of technologies, the demand for trained talent in public policy and management is increasing from many sectors. Most developing countries need this talent to boost their governance capacity and policy implication capacity in their modernization process, while developed countries need to upgrade their talent in public policy and management to tackle social crisis and maintain citizens' trust and satisfaction.

The discipline of public policy and public management seeks to enhance efficiency, effectiveness and equity in society by using complex and innovative policy instruments, and employing interdisciplinary knowledge and perspective. In this context, the Master of Public Policy and Management (MPPM) Programme is designed to train students in readiness for managerial and leading roles in policy analysis and professional policy practice. Delivered by a team of distinguished specialists, the Programme provides in-service professionals, policy practitioners and future public managers and leaders with skills in policy analysis and evaluation, organization analysis, management, strategic communications, project analysis, public governance, public sector management and development.

The MPPM Programme seeks to foster students' capabilities and skills for future manager and leader positions in professional setting, enhance their chance to hold important government positions, increase their starting salary, and make an impact on their government.



MPPM is a 24-credit-point (cps) programme, comprising 4 Core Courses (12 cps) and 4 Elective Courses (12 cps), with a total of 8 courses. Each course carries 3 cps and all the courses will be conducted in English.

#### Core Courses (12cps)

- Research Methods for Policy Analysis and Evaluation
- Public Policy and Governance: Processes and Techniques
- Strategic Communication
- · Organisational Behaviour and Development

#### Elective Courses (12cps)

Students may choose any of the 4 combinations of 4 Elective Courses from

- Specialisation I in Governance and Public Management;
- · Specialisation II in Social Policy;
- · Specialisation III in Higher Education Policy and Management; or
- Any 4 courses from Specialisation I, II, and III without MPPM specialisation.

#### Specialisation I:

**Governance and Public Management** 

Managing Public Finance\*
Human Resource Management\*
International Public Management\*
Public Administration and Management in Asia
Project Appraisal and Impact Analysis
Regulation and Regulatory Governance
Environmental Policy and Governance

# Specialisation II:

Management of Social Services\*

Social Policy and Aging\*

Social Protection Arrangements

Comparative Health Policy

Poverty, Inequality and Social Policy

**Social Policy** 

Internship /
Overseas Experiential Learning \*
Creating Shared Value and
Social Entrepreneurship\*

Comparative Social Policy in Asia\* Specialisation III:
Higher Education Policy and
Management

Advanced Seminar in Higher Education Policy and Governance\*

> Educational Leadership in the Tertiary Sector\*

Managing Universities in the Global Context: Policies and Strategies

Quality Assurance and Management in Higher Education

Education and Society in Greater Chin and Asia

The offering of elective courses and the quota offered is subject to the Department's decision and students' enrolment. It may vary in each academic year.

<sup>\*</sup> Courses to be offered in 2024/25

### Synergy of Academics and Practice



#### **Policy Dialogue Series**

Professor CHEUNG Bing Leung Anthony, GBS, JP Advisor (Public Administration), SSPS, EdUHK Former Secretary for Transport and Housing, HKSAR Government

Professor LUI Tai Lok, JP Adjunct Research Chair Professor, SSPS, EdUHK



## Seminar by Professor Christopher HOOD

The Well-known social scientist in the study of public management

Emeritus Professor of Government and a Fellow. All Souls College of the University of Oxford

Doctor of Social Science honoris causa, The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong



MPPM Policy Case Competition



HKUST Inter-University Public Policy Case Competition



National Mock Mayor Competition (Beijing, China)

#### **Experiential Learning**

Various experiential learning activities are organised in MPPM programme. For example, students visited Singapore and Qingdao.



Site Visit: Public Housing Estates in Singapore



Group Based Presentation on Research Findings



Experiential Learning Activity: Qingdao

#### **Local Field Visits**

The MPPM also organises different hands on learning activities.



Community Visit - Sikh Temple



Ecotour - Tai O



Cultural Tour - Dukling Harbour Tour

#### **Internship Opportunity**

As a unique benefit of this programme, we build up strong partnership with more than 60 organisations and seek to provide valuable internship opportunities to MPPM students such as

- · American International Assurance Company Limited (AIA)
- Greater Bay Area Youth Development Association
- Hong Kong Red Cross
- Labour Education and Service Network
- Link Charitable Foundation Limited
- Li Po Chun United World College of Hong Kong
- · Naresuan University, Thailand
- · Office of Legislative Councillor
- Save the Children Hong Kong Limited (International NGO)
- The Fred Hollows Foundation (Think-tank)
- The Zubin Foundation
- World Green Organisation

















#### Hermes PUN Kam Lam Local — Graduate of 2018

**Executive Assistant.** 

The Education University of Hong Kong

The MPPM programme broadened my understanding of public policy, enabling me to have a more thorough analysis and perception when discussing social and global issues. With the support of Mr Clement K.M. Woo, Scholarship, I got the opportunity to do internship in a community service office. In addition, the content of MPPM has helped me gain theoretical knowledge in human resource management, public resources allocation analysis, and decision-making effectiveness, which helps me meet the opportunities and challenges in my current work.

### Mark Raygan E. GARCIA Filipino — Graduate of 2017

Engagement Manager,

English School Foundation, Hong Kong

I received a full scholarship from the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, co-funded by the Commission on Higher Education of the Philippines and the MPPM, to pursue this Master Degree in 2016. The scholarship covered both tuition and residential fees. Had it not been for the scholarship, it would have been difficult to study in an expensive global city as Hong Kong. Because of the doors that it opened for me, the scholarship boosted my confidence, and it developed within me a greater sense of life purpose and motivation to give back. I graduated with Distinction, was included on the Dean's Honours List.

#### Nitikon JIRATHITIKANKIT Thai — Graduate of 2018

Director, Foreign Constitution Division Constitutional Court of Thailand

MPPM offered me a full entrance scholarship, which provided me with a great chance to improve my academic and research skills, an essential criterion for my career advancement. MPPM provided me with a wide range of courses, like basic public policy and public administration knowledge. MPPM is very useful for students who want to improve themselves in public management, public administration, and public policy. I have recommended this programme to my friends and colleagues who are thinking of further studies.

#### Yolanda WANG Shuang Mainland — Graduate of 2014

Assistant Manager, McKinsey & Company

The Internship opportunity at Phoenix TV while I was a MPPM student was a stepping stone for me to enter the media industry. Without this opportunity it would be impossible for me to be a journalist. Additionally, the major takeaways from the programme that has helped in my career building are the critical thinking skills, problem-solving skills and looking at an issue from a global perspective. These skills have not only been useful for analysing different social issues, but also analysing different cases in the business world. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the department for their care and support and for providing us with endless opportunities.

#### YIN Dean Chen Jason American — Graduate of 2018

Senior Analyst (Health), Economist Impact

FLASS Outbound Learning Scholarship and Entrance Scholarship for Self-financed Programmes Recipient

The FLASS Outbound Learning Scholarship provided by the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences allowed me to do a field visit to Peking University, Tsinghua University, and Renmin University to meet Professors and discuss with them their current research on Mainland Chinese Issues. During my trip, I was able to better understand policy decision through engaging with leading researchers who studied different aspects of China's policy making, and was able to collaborate with them on publishing regarding China's health policy reform.



of the students agree that the MPPM helps them enhance:



Problem solving skills



Oral communication skills



Ethical decision making



Critical thinking skills



Written communication skills



Global perspectives



Creative thinking skills



Social interaction skills



Positive value / attitudes



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#### **Professor CHEUNG Bing Leung Anthony, GBS, JP**

Advisor (Public Administration), SSPS, EdUHK
President, HKIED (2008-12)
Secretary for Transport and Housing (2012-17), HKSAR Governemnt

As a former Secretary for Transport and Housing, I know how crucial it is for a policymaker to be guided by both intellectual understanding as well as practical experience. The MPPM programme of EdUHK seeks to integrate theory and application to support in-service professionals, policy practitioners, and future public managers and leaders with a broad range of skills in public governance, policy analysis and evaluation, strategic communication, and public sector management.



### Professor the Hon CHEUNG Kin Chung Matthew, GBM, GBS, JP

Honorary Professor, SSPS, EdUHK Cheif Secretary for Administration (CS) (2017-21) Secretary for Labour and Welfare (2007-17), HKSAR Government

The MPPM is a comprehensive and valuable opportunity for individuals interested in making a significant impact in the field of public policy and governance. With a cutting-edge curriculum, expert faculty and practical experience opportunities, this programme equips students with the insights, skills and knowledge necessary to address complex policy challenges, devise viable solutions and drive meaningful change. The customisable specialisations, networking opportunities and dedicated career support further enhance the value of this programme, making it an excellent choice for aspiring leaders in the public sector. If you wish to explore more the world of public policy and management, the MPPM programme is an exceptional choice to unlock your potential and fully equip you as a future leader in public policy.

#### **Scholarships**

The MPPM is committed to supporting students in pursuit of academic excellence and who demonstrate outstanding achievement through contributions to the community, leadership and progressive social change.

Outstanding students may be provided with:

- MPPM Academic Scholarship
- MPPM Entrance Scholarship

#### **Entrance Requirement**

Applicants should normally hold a recognised Bachelor's degree.

Applicants who obtained degrees from universities in Mainland China are required to provide:

- Degree Certificate (學位證書—中文原件掃描) and Online Verification Report of Higher Education Degree Certificate
   (學位在線驗證報告) issued by the CHSI (學信網) with a validity period of six months;
- Graduation Certificate (畢業證書—中文原件掃描) and Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate (學歷證書電子註冊備案表) issued by the CHSI (學信網) with a validity period of six months; and
- Final Transcript (最終成績單—中文原件掃描).

For applicants whose qualification is obtained from an institution in a non-English speaking system should normally fulfill one of the following minimum English proficiency requirements:

- Overall score of IELTS 6.0 (academic version) (the test should be taken in test centres and the result should be valid within two years); or
- TOEFL score of 80 (internet-based test) (the test should be taken in test centres and the result should be valid
  within two years); or
- Band 6 in the Chinese Mainland's College English Test (CET) (a total score of 430 or above and the test result should be valid within two years); or
- Pass in the Test for English Majors-Band 8 (TEM 8); or
- Grade C or above in GCSE / GCE OL English; or
- Other equivalent qualifications.

#### \*Remarks:

Applicants should provide following documents for verification:

- Applicants who obtained degrees from overseas universities should meet Level 5 (for Bachelor degree) or above of the Hong Kong Qualifications
   Framework. Reports for Qualifications Assessment can be applied from the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational
   Qualifications (HKCAAVQ) at https://www.hkcaavq.edu.hk/; or
- Any other information/documentation as requested by the University.

#### How to apply

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