香港教育大學
The Education University of Hong Kong



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Master Of Public Policy and Management



Department of Social Sciences and Policy Studies
SSPS
社會科學與政策研究學系

MPPM
One-year Full-time (Programme Code: A1M082)

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Leading the Way Forward

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, organisation 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.



Programme Structure

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 Course - Block A (3cps)

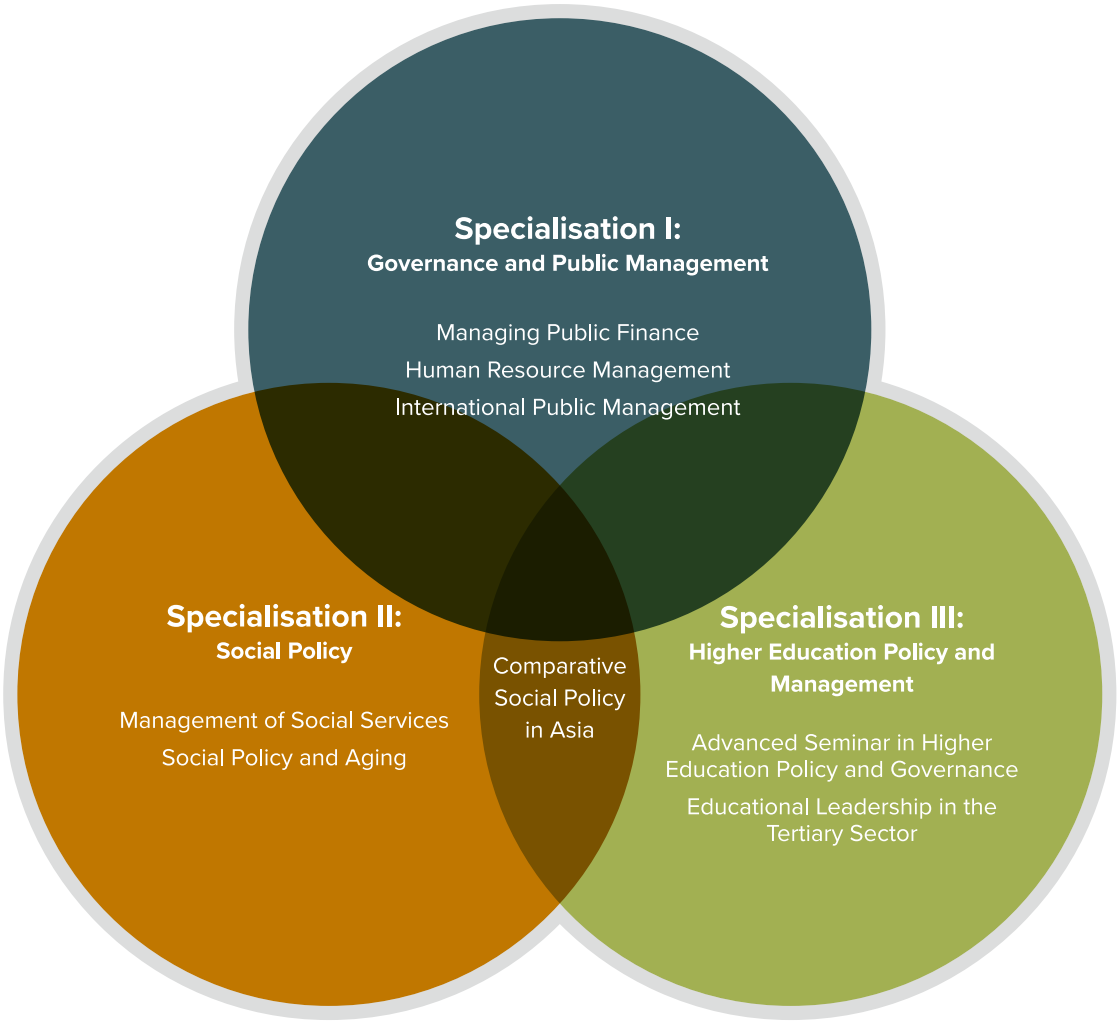
Students are required to choose 1 course from:

- Advanced Thesis in Public Policy and Management
- Internship
- Overseas Experiential Learning

Elective Courses - Block B (9cps)

Students are required to choose 3 Elective Courses - Block B from the following 4 combinations:

- Specialisation I in Governance and Public Management;
- Specialisation II in Social Policy;
- Specialisation III in Higher Education Policy and Management; or
- Any 3 courses from Specialisation I, II, and III without MPPM specialisation.



**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.*

Why study in MPPM?



90%

of the students agree that the MPPM helps them enhance:

- Problem solving skills
- Critical thinking skills
- Creative thinking skills
- Oral communication skills
- Written communication skills
- Social interaction skills
- Ethical decision making
- Global perspectives
- Positive value / attitudes

Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our students actively participate in various internal and external competitions to apply classroom theories to real-world policy challenges.



MPPM Policy Case Competition



HKUST Inter-University Public Policy Case Competition



National Mock Mayor Competition

Experiential Learning

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



Singapore Study Tour



UK Study Tour



Overseas Presentation on Research Findings



Experiential Learning Activity: Qingdao

Why study in MPPM?

Local Field Visits

The MPPM also organises different hands on learning activities.



Community Visit - Sikh Temple



Site Visit – Legislative Council Complex



Site Visit – ICAC Headquarters

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)
- Christian Action
- FutureGen Girls Foundation
- Greater Bay Area Youth Development Association
- Hong Kong Red Cross
- Naresuan University, Thailand
- New Territories North Regional Crime Prevention Office, Hong Kong Police Force
- Office of Legislative Council Member
- One Country Two Systems Youth Forum
- The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups
- The Zubin Foundation

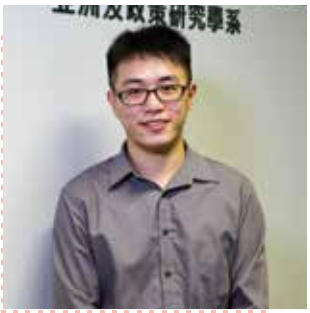








Graduates' Sharing



Hermes PUN Kam Lam Local ——— Graduate of 2022

Project Co-ordinator II,
The Chinese 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

Governance and Engagement Manager,
English School Foundation (EFS), Hong Kong

The MPPM Programme offers world-class professors, excellent facilities and enriching co-curricular opportunities. It has helped me, with my background in communications, to broaden my skill set and better understand complex systems, structures and interrelated issues. During my time in the programme, I interned at the Academy of Hong Kong Studies at the EdUHK, and received an outbound learning fellowship which allowed me to participate in activities at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in Boston, tour the headquarters of the World Bank in Washington DC, and explore a drug rehabilitation programme run by an NGO in Los Angeles, California. These experiences truly shaped my career path and prepared me for a transition to Hong Kong.



Nitikon JIRATHITIKANKIT Thai ——— Graduate of 2020

Director, Foreign Constitution Division
Constitutional Court of Thailand

MPPM offered me a full Entrance Scholarship, which provided a great opportunity to improve my academic and research skills, an essential criterion for my career advancement. With a wide range of courses – such as basic public policy and public administration - the knowledge I gained from MPPM has helped me to deal with many tasks. Apart from fundamental concepts and ideas, each course accompanied very insight perspectives and comparative examples from various areas of the world. MPPM is therefore very suitable for those who want to improve and broaden perspectives on public management, public administration, and public policy. I have strongly recommended this programme to my friends and colleagues who are thinking of further studies.



Yolanda WANG Shuang China ——— Graduate of 2014

China Representative,
Fashion Giant House

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), The Economist Group
FLASS Outbound Learning Scholarship and Entrance Scholarship for Self-financed Programmes Recipient

The MPPM Programme equipped me with a robust foundation in policy analysis, research design, and evidence-based decision-making. Courses on social policy evaluation and analysis helped me develop the analytical lens needed to tackle complex cross-sectoral challenges. I was grateful for an opportunity to take on an Internship at Save the Children during my year there. Having hands-on experience outside the classroom was very helpful in settling me into the working world of Hong Kong. Being able to receive mentorship from someone outside of the university also helped deepen my collaboration with more grassroots organisations.

International and Local Recognition

Aligned with rigorous local and global standards, our curriculum is committed to cultivating future leaders in the public sector while maintaining close connections with global academic networks.

- The MPPM is the only non-HRM (Human Resources Management) programme in HKSAR receiving "Partially Endorsed" by **The Hong Kong Institute of Human Resource Management (HKIHRM)**.
- The MPPM is a member of **Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA)**, reflecting its high international professional standards.

Sharing by Leading Academics



Professor CHEUNG Bing Leung Anthony, GBS, JP

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.



The Hon CHEUNG Kin Chung Matthew, GBM, GBS, JP

Adjunct 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

Outstanding students may be provided with:

- MPPM Academic Scholarship;
- MPPM Entrance Scholarship (for both local and non-local applicants).

Entrance Requirement

Applicants should normally hold a recognised Bachelor's degree or equivalent.

Applicants who obtained degrees from universities in Chinese Mainland 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);
- Confidential Transcript (Applicants should contact their own awarded institution (i.e. the Registry) and request that a transcript be directly sent to our Registry).

Applicants whose entrance qualification is obtained from an institution in a non-English speaking system should normally fulfil one of the following minimum English language proficiency requirements:

- IELTS (academic version)# Overall score of 6.0; or
- TOEFL (internet-based test) #:
  - Score of 80 (for tests taken before 21 January 2026);
  - Score of 4.0 (for tests taken from 21 January 2026 onwards); or
- Band 6 in the College English Test (CET)# with a total score of 430; or
- Grade C or above in GCSE / GCE OL English; or
- Other equivalent qualifications.

#The test should be taken in test centres, and the result should be valid within two years.

[For example, if you are applying for the 2027/28 academic year, your IELTS / TOEFL / CET6 test must be obtained on or after 1 January 2025.]

*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; and
- Confidential Transcript (Applicants should contact their own awarded institution (i.e. the Registry) and request that a transcript be directly sent to our Registry).

How to apply

https://www.eduhk.hk/acadprog/application/

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