

Sometimes, it falls upon a generation to be great. You can be that great generation. Let your greatness blossom.

- Nelson Mandela

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Public Policy

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# MASTER IN PUBLIC POLICY

Look forward to studying economics, political science and public management.

Our two-year full-time Master in Public Policy (MPP) provides a strong foundation in policy analysis, programme evaluation and management. Students will be equipped with the necessary skills and competencies to become highly skilled policy-makers and analysts in the public, private or non-profit sectors.

## Admissions Criteria

MPP applicants must demonstrate intellectual distinction, personal character and leadership capabilities. They should possess at least a bachelor degree and two to five years' working experience. Proficiency in written and spoken English is essential.

## Required Documents

- Online application form
- Official academic transcripts and certificates
- Curriculum vitae or resume
- A score of 100 (TOEFL internet-based test), 600 (TOEFL paper-based test) or 7.0 (IELTS academic test), is preferred.\*
- GRE/GMAT test score (optional)
- Two essays
- Two reports of reference — one professional and one academic reference

\*TOEFL/IELTS test score is mandatory for all applicants except those with a bachelor degree conducted entirely in English.

## Curriculum

The MPP curriculum comprises core modules and a wide range of specialisation modules and electives.

### Core Modules

Core modules focus on imparting knowledge, developing practical skills and promoting interdisciplinary competencies that are critical for the work of public policy practitioners, particularly analysts and researchers.

- The LKY School Course
- Policy Challenges
- Policy Process and Institutions
- Economic Foundations for Public Policy
- Policy Analysis Exercise (PAE)\*
- Public Administration and Politics
- Quantitative Research Methods for Public Policy 1
- Quantitative Research Methods for Public Policy 2
- Qualitative Research Methods for Public Policy

\*PAE is a public policy project completed as a capstone module for a client organisation in the public, private or non-profit sector.

Students will embark on a study trip to a country in Asia, where they gain exposure to the ground realities of the country they visit, to have a better understanding of the complexity and challenges of resolving 'wicked' problems and policy issues. They will have the opportunity to meet and interact with a variety of stakeholders from the public, private and non-profit sectors, to gain a deeper appreciation of policies and trade-offs needed to address real-world policy challenges.

### Specialisation

Students can acquire greater depth and sophistication through any one of the three areas of specialisation:

- Economics and Development
- Politics and International Affairs
- Management and Leadership

Students may also opt to graduate without a specialisation.

### Elective Modules

Those who seek a broader public policy education may choose a more generalist approach by selecting up to five free electives from over 60 modules. Students can choose from a new elective basket 'Evidence-Based Innovation Lab', which includes modules such as:

- Big Data, Official Statistics, and Public Policy
- Data Analytics: Science, Art and Applications

Please visit the LKYSPP website for the full list of electives.

## Classroom Diversity

The MPP cohort comprises 60 to 80 students from public, private and non-profit sectors, from more than 20 countries.

## Double Degree

### Overseas

Qualified students will have the opportunity to pursue a dual degree abroad for a year at our partner institutions. Our partner institutions include:

- Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo
- London School of Economics and Political Science
- School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University
- School of Public Affairs, Sciences Po
- The Geneva School of Economics and Management, University of Geneva (UG)

### Singapore

Students can also pursue a double degree at the NUS Business School and the NUS Faculty of Law. These are:

- Master in Public Policy and Master of Business Administration (MPP-MBA)
- Master in Public Policy and Master of Laws (MPP-LLM)

## Exchange Programme

Eligible MPP students can participate in a one-semester exchange programme with our partner institutions, which include:

### Asia-Pacific

- Department of Public Administration, Korea University
- Graduate School of Public Policy (GraSPP), University of Tokyo
- Graduate School in International Studies, Seoul National University
- School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University
- Yonsei University Graduate School
- Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Public Policy

### Americas

- Escola de Administracao de Empresas de Sao Paulo, Fundacao Getulio Vargas
- Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, John Hopkins University
- School of Public Policy and Governance, University of Toronto
- The McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University
- University of British Columbia

### Europe

- Hertie School of Governance
- Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University)
- School of Public Affairs, Sciences Po
- The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
- University of Bocconi
- University of St Gallen



## The LKY School Course

This 13-week module provides an in-depth study of the Singapore success story and Asia's development, which will supplement the school's pool of case studies that are highly relevant to the Asian context. Students can expect a discussion of public policies that have been the cornerstone of Singapore's development, covering topics such as Singapore's foreign policy successes. Expansion of Singapore's economy and trade in the region. LKYSPP is especially well-placed to share the model of governance in Singapore and Asia, and our faculty members who teach this module include notable Singapore pioneers and luminaries. This module is compulsory for students of all master programmes.

## Internships

Students are encouraged to pursue internships in the public, private or non-profit sector. We actively engage leading think-tanks, consulting firms, multilateral institutions and non-profit organisations to facilitate internships. Internship opportunities are posted regularly throughout the year on the LKYSPP Career Portal, and students may work part-time up to 16 hours a week during a semester, or full-time during the official National University of Singapore (NUS) vacation periods.

## Academic Calendar

Pre-Semester	Year 1, Semester 1	Year 1, Semester 2
Mid-Jul to Aug Orientation Programme	Aug to Nov 5 Core Modules 1 Elective Module	Jan to Apr 3 Core Modules 1 Elective Module
	End-Nov to Early-Dec Examinations	End-Apr to Early-May Examinations
	Dec Vacation	May to Jul Vacation
	Year 2, Semester 1	Year 2, Semester 2
Aug to Nov Policy Analysis Exercise 4 Elective Modules	Jan to Apr Policy Analysis Exercise (cont'd) 3 Elective Modules	
End-Nov to Early-Dec Examinations	End-Apr to Early-May Examinations	
Dec Vacation		



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