

When the effective leader
is finished with his
work, the people say it
happened naturally.

- Lao Tsu

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MASTER IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Be equipped to handle complex issues that impact national, regional and global policies and projects.

Our one-year full-time Master in Public Administration (MPA) is an interdisciplinary course of study aimed at mid-level professionals who aspire to take on senior management roles or make a career change. A key feature is the Governance Study Project, which gives students the opportunity to study and research in a neighbouring country.



Admissions Criteria

Applicants should have minimum 5 years of working experience and attained a' mid-level managerial position in their careers. They should aspire to management roles and demonstrate commitment towards public service. Proficiency in written and spoken English is and spoken English is essential.

Required Documents

- Online application form
- Degree scrolls and academic transcript (including grading description)
- Curriculum vitae or resume
- TOEFL / IELTS*
- GRE/GMAT test score (optional)
- Two essays
- Two letters of reference (professional)
- Organisation Chart. Illustrate and clearly point out current position within the organisation, including two levels above and two levels below the applicant's current position.

*Applicants with qualifications attained in English-medium institutions in Australia, Canada, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, the UK or the US are exempted from providing test scores. For qualifications attained in countries not mentioned, if your Bachelor or Master degree was conducted entirely in English, TOEFL or IELTS test scores may be waived if you provide a letter from your institution. (Due to COVID-19 pandemic. The school will also accept TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition and IELTS Indicator)

Curriculum

The MPA curriculum comprises core modules and a wide range of elective modules. Students are required to complete:

- Four core modules
- Two elective modules from the Management and Leadership specialisation area
- Four elective modules

Governance Study Project

A key feature of the MPA Programme is the Governance Study Project (GSP), which aims to expose students to a complex public policy issue of relevance to Asia, and share insights on how local policymakers are addressing this issue through a multi-agency, multi-pronged effort. Learning journeys relevant to the GSP themes are also organised.

In this module, students work together in groups to prepare a policy memo and report under faculty supervision. This applied learning component provides an opportunity for students to reflect on the knowledge and insights gained from the course. They will then share their research findings at a conference at the end of the Semester 2.



Classroom Diversity

The MPA cohort comprises 40 to 60 students from public, private and not-for-profit sectors, from more than 20 countries.

Core Modules

Core modules focus on imparting practical skills, disciplinary knowledge and interdisciplinary competencies that facilitate the work of policy practitioners, researchers, public managers and leaders. They include:

- Economic Analysis
- Policy Analysis
- Public Management
- Governance Study Project

Elective Modules

Those who seek a broader Public Administration education must choose to read any four 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

Students are also required to complete two elective modules from the Public Management and Leadership specialisation area.

Please visit the LKYSPP website for the full list of electives

Cross-Faculty Modules

Students may also register for up to two elective modules offered in other postgraduate programmes, such as Business Administration, Economics, Political Science and Southeast Asian Studies.

Double Degree

Qualified students can pursue double degrees with the NUS Business School and the NUS Faculty of Law. They include:

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

Academic Calendar

| Pre-Semester | Semester 1 | Semester 2 |
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| Mid-Jul to Aug Orientation Programme | Aug to Nov 2 Core Modules 3 Elective Modules* <hr/> End-Nov to Early-Dec Examinations <hr/> Dec Vacation | Jan to Apr 2 Core Modules 2 Elective Modules* <hr/> End-Apr to Early-May Examinations |
| | Special Term | |
| | Early-May to Mid-June 1 Elective Module* <hr/> End-June Examinations | |

* Students have an option to complete their MPA in Semester 2 instead of Special term if they can complete all 6 electives by Semester 2. MPA students must complete 2 electives modules from the Management and Leadership specialisation area in any of the semesters.

Application Period

Applications open on 1 August and close on 31 December every year.



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