

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC POLICY

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Master of Public Administration in Public Administration
Master of Science in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making
Postgraduate Diploma in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making
Postgraduate Certificate in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making

These regulations are to be read in conjunction with [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Admission

1. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Duration of Study

2. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Mode of Study

3. The MPA/MSc programme is available by full-time and part time study. Students pursuing the MPA part-time should be aware of the expectation of the period of intensive study in the late spring/early summer that all MPA students must undertake.

Curriculum

4. All students shall undertake an approved curriculum as follows:

Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
CS978	Legal, Ethical and Professional Issues for the Information Society	5	10
CS982	Big Data Technologies	5	20
CS990	Database Fundamentals	5	10
CS985	Machine Learning for Data Analytics	5	20

Optional Modules

60 credits from:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L2905	Quantitative Methods 1**	5	20
Or			
L2908	Quantitative Methods 2 **	5	20

Or			
L2909	Qualitative Methods**	5	20
L5501	Perspectives on Social Research	5	20
And			
L5976	Welfare Concepts and Ideas*	5	20
Or			
L2941	Principles of Research Design	5	20
And			
L2917	Policy Analysis*	5	20

* Departments within HaSS or Strathclyde Business School may substitute another policy-oriented module to tailor the MSc or MPA programme to a specific policy area

** dependent on experience to be approved by programme leader

For the MPA

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L2901	Applied Leadership Programme	5	60

For the MSc

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L2933	Dissertation	5	60
Or			
L2974	Placement Dissertation	5	60

Not all optional modules on this list will be available in each academic year.

Progress

- See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).
- The final award will be based on performance in the written examinations and the coursework.

Award

- Degree of MPA:** In order to qualify for the award of the degree of MPA in Public Administration, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 180 credits, of which 60 must have been awarded in respect of the Applied Leadership Programme.

8. **Degree of MSc:** In order to qualify for the award of the degree of MSc in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 180 credits, of which 60 must have been awarded in respect of the Dissertation L2933 or Placement Dissertation L2974.
9. **Postgraduate Diploma:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 120 credits from the taught modules of the programme.
10. **Postgraduate Certificate:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Certificate in Data Science for Politics and Policy Making, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 60 credits.