

## CURRICULUM

### Core Courses | 16 units

HPS 201	Fundamentals of Policy Studies	2
HPS 202	Research Methods in Policy Studies	2
HPS 203	Ecology of Policy Development	2
HPAd 201	Principles of Health Administration	2
PHA 208	Economics in Health	2
BIO 201	Fundamentals of Biostatistics	3
EPI 201	Principles of Epidemiology	3

### Major Courses | 18 units

HPS 221	Political Dynamics in the Health Policy Process	2
HPS 222	Comparative Study of Health Policy Development in Asia-Pacific	2
HPS 223	Issues in International Health Policy	2
HPS 231	Health Policy and Quality of Life	2
HPS 232	Fiscal Management in Health	2
HPS 233	Health Policy Issues	2
HPS 234	Gender Issues and Health Policy Development	2
* HPS 235	Social Epidemiology	2
HPS 236	Sociology of Health	2
HPS 237	Issues in Health Economics	3
HPS 241	Principles and Process of Health Policy Implementation and Evaluation	2
HPS 280	Field Practice	2
HPS 299	Special Studies and Research	4
**Anthro 267	Medical Anthropology	4
***Psych 202	Special Topics in Psychology: Health Psychology	
***Psych 281	Special Topisc in Social Psychology : Health and Behavior	

HPS 300 Thesis 6

**Total Units 40**

### Electives

Electives may be chosen from the list of major courses within program track.

- \* - Joint and required courses offering
- \*\* - Adopted from the Dept. of Anthropology, CSSP, UP Diliman
- \*\*\* - Adopted from the Dept. of Psychology, CSSP, UP Diliman



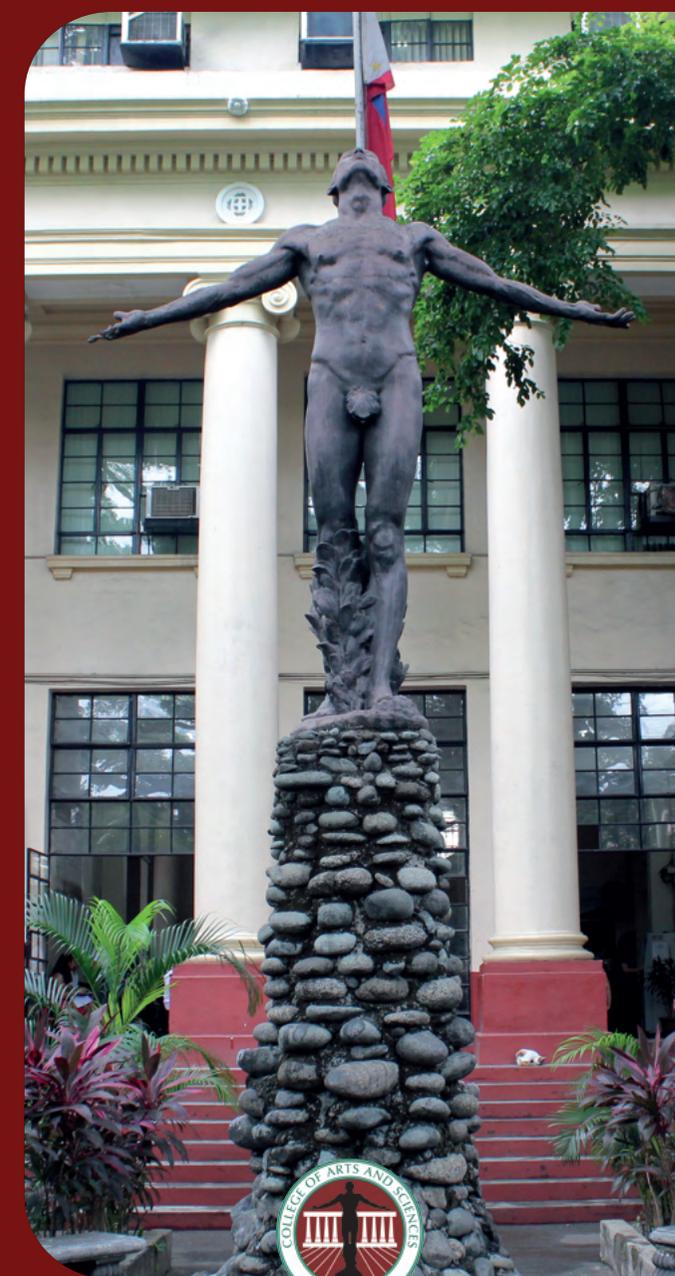
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**MASTER OF ARTS IN  
HEALTH POLICY STUDIES  
(HEALTH SOCIAL SCIENCE)**

### CONTACT US

Application forms may be obtained from and returned to:

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## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Master of Arts in Health Policy Studies is a program that promotes the common good by ensuring that the health delivery systems address the concerns of the poor and the marginalized. There are two approaches or tracks to fulfill the requirements of this degree program, one of which is the Health Social Science Track. This track seeks to study the health policy process within the socio-cultural context and thus, makes use of and integrates the various disciplines in the social sciences such as history, political science, economics, anthropology, sociology, and psychology to approach health policy

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The program will develop student competencies in the health policy process which involves a policy formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation as well as advocacy. At the end of the courses, the student shall

1. Understand the nature and dynamics of health policy development;
2. Be able to discuss the interplay of the various factors (economic, political, social, legal and administrative) that affect the health situation;
3. Demonstrate an interdisciplinary orientation in approaching and resolving health issues;
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the health policy development process that integrates the roles of health and social sciences;
5. Demonstrate a proactive orientation in identifying and analyzing priority public policy issues;
6. Formulate socially responsible and relevant health policy recommendations as a result of professional policy analysis and research; and
7. Demonstrate a capacity to engage in policy advocacy and consensus building in developing policy.

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Schedule of Semesters:

1st Semester: August to December  
2nd Semester: January to May  
Midyear: June and July (6 weeks)

### Number of Units:

Full-time: 9-12 units/semester  
Part-time: 1-8 units/semester  
Midyear: 1-6 units

### Fees:

Tuition Fee: P990.00/unit  
Library Fee: P1,050.00  
Other Fees: P350.00/semester  
Processing Fee: P300.00

### Additional Fees for Foreign Applicants:

Processing Fee: US\$ 30.00  
Educational Development Fund: US\$ 500.00  
(US\$100.00 for residency only)/semester

### Submission of Applications:

1st Semester: February until the last working day of April  
2nd Semester: To be announced if offered

### The following are the grade requirements for each student to be of good standing in the program:

- 1) General weighted average of 2.00 or better;
- 2) Weighted average of 2.00 or better for the major/required courses; and
- 3) No grade of 5.00 in any academic course.

*\*\*A maximum of 5 years is given to a student to finish the program.*

*Living accommodations for students may be provided in privately-owned housing units/dorms/apartment hotels. Dorms offer lodging and/or board. There are privately-owned eateries around the school.*



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## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

### The following are the minimum NGOHS requirements:

1. Good scholastic record from any recognized institution of higher learning.
2. At least 1 year of work experience in the related field.
3. Duly accomplished Application Form (downloadable through the NGOHS website: [ngohs.upm.edu.ph](http://ngohs.upm.edu.ph))
4. Comply with the General requirements found on the 2nd page of the Application Form (UPM-NGS-OP-01F1)

### Graduation Requirements:

- Residency of at least one full academic year prior to granting of degree.
- Completion of 40 units (16 units of core courses, 14 units of required courses and 4 units of electives)
- A general weighted average of 2.00 or better.
- Passed the comprehensive examination.
- Certificate of submission of paper of Publication.