Our MSc Public Policy & Management is comparative and international in focus, and equips you to understand and evaluate policy options for organising and delivering contemporary public services. It is for both mid-career managers and recent graduates planning to enter the public and voluntary sectors as well as non-governmental organisations.

Key benefits

- Unrivalled location in the centre of London.
- Regular and senior speakers from UK-based government departments, public sector bodies, NGOs, social enterprises and policymaking units who discuss the implementation and evaluation of public services policy.
- Opportunities for internships and the chance to study different public service areas in-depth, drawing on King’s-wide expertise.
- Combines in-depth treatment of underlying principles with practical applications, including human resource management and design of programme evaluations.

Course details

Comparative and international in focus, our course is suitable both for career professionals and for recent social science graduates. It is built around compulsory modules and options, and collaborative internships are also available to selected students.

The overall emphasis is on effective provision of public services (including their evaluation) and on the lessons of the ‘new public management’.

Seminars are central to our course and focus on current research and policy implementation. They involve senior policymakers and practitioners including individuals actively involved with current UK government policymaking. There is an active alumni network which organises events during the year, including seminars for current students.
Teaching
The following table will give you an idea of what a typical academic workload might look like as you progress through your studies:

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<th>Module</th>
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<td>Per 15-credit module</td>
<td>Between 20 and 30 hours which typically consist of a combination of lectures, case discussion and tutorials; there may be some variation in the precise format.</td>
<td>Approximately 120-130 hours.</td>
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<td>Dissertation module</td>
<td>2 dissertation workshops and one-to-one supervision.</td>
<td>Approximately 596 hours self-study and project work.</td>
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Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

Assessment
- Throughout your degree you are assessed by a variety of methods, which include written examinations, coursework and individual or group projects and presentations for the taught modules. The nature of assessment varies by module.
- Assignment feedback is provided within four working weeks of submission.
- Assessment may also include Formative Assessments (formative assessment is not-for-credit; your final mark for the module will rest solely on your summative assessment).

Regulating body
King’s College London is regulated by the Higher Education Funding Council for England.

Course structure
Courses are divided into modules. You will normally take modules totalling 180 credits.

Required modules
You are required to take:
- Organisation & Management of the Public Services (15 credits)
- Economics of the Public Services (15 credits)
- Research Methods in Public Policy & Management (15 credits)
- Social Entrepreneurship (15 credits)
- The Public Policy-Making Process (15 credits)
- Dissertation (60 credits)

Optional modules
In addition, students take 45-50 credits from a range of optional modules which may typically include:
- Leadership & People Management in the Public Services (15 credits)
- Education & Training; Policy & Programmes (15 credits)
- Key Issues in Health Policy (15 credits)
- Strategic Management in the Public Services (15 credits)
- Internship Analytic Report (15 credits)
- Short refresher courses in Maths & Economics (0 credits) – these are strongly recommended and are taken during reading and induction weeks

Part-time students should plan to take 60 credits of required taught modules in their first year, and 60 credits from the dissertation module, 45 credits of optional modules and 15 credits of required modules in their second year.

King’s College London reviews the modules offered on a regular basis to provide up-to-date, innovative and relevant programmes of study. Therefore, modules offered may change. We suggest you keep an eye on the course finder on our website for updates.

Location
This course is primarily taught at the King’s College London Strand and Waterloo Campuses. Please note that locations are determined by where each module is taught and may vary.
Fees and funding

Full-time and part-time tuition fees – UK
The UK tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Full-time and part-time tuition fees – EU
Current regulations allow some students to pay UK tuition fees on the basis of their EU citizenship or residency. Until these eligibility criteria are changed, the EU tuition fee will remain the same as the UK tuition fee.

The UK tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Full-time and part-time tuition fees – International
The International tuition fees for the 2018–19 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Deposit
When you receive an offer for this course you will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit to secure your place. The deposit will be credited towards your total fee payment.

The UK/EU deposit is £500.

The International deposit is £2,000.

For further information, please visit the fees and funding section of our website: www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx

Additional costs
In addition to your tuition fees, you can also expect to pay for:
• books if you choose to buy your own copies
• library fees and fines
• personal photocopies
• printing course handouts
• society membership fees
• stationery
• travel costs for travel around London and between campuses
• graduation costs.

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