

## Master of Public Administration (MPA)

Information Session

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#### A global reputation...

Steeped in history -Established in 1895 **37 world leaders** have studied or taught at LSE

18 Nobel prize winners among academics and former students

219,000 alumni across 212 countries A hub of global debate – 100's of expert guest speaker events and festivals

 Ranked top university in
London for 11 years running (Complete University Guide 2023)
1<sup>st</sup> Carbon Neutral verified university in the UK





#### An amazing location...





School of Public Policy



#### A vibrant campus...





































Seven masters programmes designed for early stage to executive level students

Draws on best academic expertise across LSE and expert practitioners Focuses on empirical skills and tools that underpin evidence-based policymaking

Creates professionals with the ability to analyse and resolve the challenges of contemporary governance Focuses on application of these skills to real-world problems and contexts

> Core training in economics, political science and policy evaluation

# MPA Programme

- 2 years, full-time
- For early-stage career. No requirement for prior professional experience.
- Combines methodological discipline and practical application through Capstone Project with external client





### MPA Students 2023/4 - Year 1

- 66 class size
- 27 average age
- 4 years (avg.) professional work experience
- 24 nationalities represented



# MPA Year 1





# MPA Year 2



Second year MPA students can **specialise** in one of the following areas if they wish:

- Economic Policy
- International Development
- Inequality and Poverty
- Social Impact
- International Political Economy



### The Capstone

Your opportunity to carry out original analysis & research addressing a pressing policy problem of great interest to one of our client organisations.

- An applied public policy project Apply what you've learnt in a professional setting. Make a difference!
- You'll work as part of team (typically 4 5 students.
- Each team manages its own workload with the support of a Capstone supervisor (a member of the LSE faculty).
- These projects run from October to March alongside your other taught courses.
- Every spring our 2<sup>nd</sup>-year students tell us that delivering their team's (gorgeous) Capstone reports to their clients and presenting them with their findings were the biggest highlights of the year. It pulled everything together!





### **Capstone Clients**

Some of our recent Capstone clients include:













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# SPP Student Networks and Opportunities

#### **Global Public Policy Network (GPPN)**

• Partnership between seven prestigious universities in public policy

#### **SPP Student-led organisations**

- Womxns Network
- Association of Public Policy Students (APPS)
- Public Sphere Journal for Public Policy (PSJ)

#### **Professional Development Programmes and Events**

- SPP Professional Skills Accelerator
- Policy in Practice (PiP) seminars
- Turner MIINT programme
- Dean's Dialogues



# SPP Careers and Alumni Support





Opportunities to network and share experiences with fellow SPP students





#### **Next Steps**

• Find out more about the MPA programme and studying at SPP. <a href="https://www.lse.ac.uk/spp/study">www.lse.ac.uk/spp/study</a>

Find out more about admissions and financial support.
<u>https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-lse/Graduate</u>
<u>Admissions queries: Spp.admissions@lse.ac.uk</u>

- Submit an application! (While we have a rolling application deadline, it's a good idea to apply early.)
- Ask us a question!