



## Curriculum Information Record for a Research Degree Programme

### Department of Public and International Affairs Effective from Semester A 2022/23\_ For Students Admitted with Catalogue Term Semester A 2022/23\_ and thereafter

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#### Part I

**Programme Title** (in English) : Doctor of Philosophy

(in Chinese) : 哲學博士

**Award Title** (in English) : Doctor of Philosophy

(in Chinese) : 哲學博士

#### Programme Aims

This programme aims to provide advanced training for PhD students in the area of politics, policy and administration. It aims to help students pursue academic achievements in social research and develop independent and critical thinking capability, mastery of qualitative and quantitative methodologies, and writing skills necessary for the successful publication of research findings. It will offer students opportunities to acquire scholarly competence in conducting research on public management, policy studies, political studies, comparative politics, and philosophy and theory.

## Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs)

(state what the student is expected to be able to do at the end of the programme according to a given standard of performance)

*Upon successful completion of this Programme, students should be able to:*

1. Discover new knowledge by identifying and critically evaluating the relevant literature in the topic areas selected
2. Analyze real-world policy issues with theoretical and empirical research
3. Develop independent scholarly competencies in research design, methodological, and analytical techniques and sophisticated theorizing
4. Present seminar and conference papers to gather feedback for thesis writing and/or submissions to journals/edited collections

## Part II Programme of Study

### 1. Research Area(s) in which research students will be admitted to:

Policy and Administration

### 2. Programme Core Courses: ( 10 credits)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Units Worth	Remarks
PIA8618	Qualitative Methods	R8	3	Current research methodology and ethics course offered in POL PhD
PIA8123*	Comparative Politics and Political Economy	R8	3	Current core course offered in AIS PhD
PIA8616*	Politics and Political Philosophy	R8	3	Current core course offered in POL PhD
PIA8619	Independent Study	R8	4	Current core course offered in POL PhD

*\*Students should - with the agreement of the supervisor - take either PIA8616 or PIA8123*

### 3. Research Methodology and Ethics Course(s): ( 3 credits)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Units Worth	Remarks
PIA8617	Research Design, Methodology, and Ethics	R8	3	Current research methodology and ethics course offered in POL PhD

#### 4. Programme Electives (6 credits):

Select 2 from the following for a total of 6 credits

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Units Worth	Remarks
PIA8620	Policy Studies and Public Management	R8	3	Current core course offered in POL PhD
PIA8621%	Quantitative Methods	R8	3	Current research methodology and ethics course offered in POL PhD
PIA8124	Development and International Studies	R8	3	Current core course offered in AIS PhD
PIA6204#	Statistical Analysis for Public Policy and Management	P5	3	Current course offered in POL MAPP
PIA8123@	Comparative Politics and Political Economy	R8	3	Current core course offered in AIS PhD
PIA8616@	Politics and Political Philosophy	R8	3	Current core course offered in POL PhD

*% required for students in political studies, policy studies, and public management.*

*# enrolled with supervisor permission*

*@ If students take this course as programme core course, they are not allowed to take this course as an elective.*

#### 5. Other Requirements:

Please provide a general description *OR* fill in additional rows in the following table, as appropriate.

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Units Worth	Remarks
SG8001	Teaching Students: First Steps	R8	1	
--	Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) programme	n/a	n/a	An online training course on research integrity. Compulsory for RPg students who admitted in 2018/19 and thereafter. To be completed in the first year of study. Details are available in SGS website.

#### 6. Qualifying Examination (for PhD only):

The exam will contain four sections; corresponding to the current primary areas of doctoral training (methods, politics/philosophy/policy studies, Comparative Politics and Political Economy, and Development and International Studies). The PhD students could either nominate or be nominated by their supervisor for two of the four sections to answer, with the methods examination being mandatory.

## 7. Qualifying/Annual Report Submission:

Students must submit qualifying report within the specific qualifying period. After completing Qualifying period, students must submit annual progress report on an annual basis until they have submitted the final version of their thesis for oral examination and have completed any other programme requirements.

In addition, during year 2 of their study, they are required to deliver a presentation regarding their thesis plan and answer questions from their panel members and other attendees.

## 8. Thesis:

The PhD thesis should demonstrate the student's ability to design a sophisticated research agenda, collect data from a variety of sources (including fieldwork where appropriate), deploy complex methodologies in a systematic way, build a coherent argument that addresses relevant literature and debates, and indicate prospects for making serious theoretical contributions. The PhD thesis should be of such a standard that, after necessary revisions, it can be realistically expected to get published as a monograph or journal articles.

## 9. Additional Notes:

N.A.

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