

Graduate education in ESG: A glimpse

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Related Master programmes in HK – existent

HKU	Master of Social Science in the field of Sustainability Leadership and Governance
PolyU	Master of Corporate Governance
HKBU	Master of Science in Environmental and Public Health Management
HKMU	MSc in Global Environmental Management for Sustainable Development
PolyU	Master of Science in Sustainable Urban Development

Related Master programmes in HK – forthcoming

LU	Master of Science in ESG Management (MScESGM forthcoming in 2023/3024)
PolyU	Master of Science in ESG and Sustainability (forthcoming in 2023/2024)

Taking LU as an example – before MScESGM

MAcc	ACT502	Business and Company Law
MAcc	ACT503	Cost and Management Accounting
MAcc	ACT613	Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Issues in Business and Accounting
MScBIE	BIE505	Legal Aspects and Intellectual Property for Entrepreneurship
MScBIE	BIE605	Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) for Entrepreneurship
MScRIM	RIM530	Reinsurance, Risk Transfer and Risk Securitization

Taking LU as an example – after MScESGM

- 1. The Economics of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG)
- 2. Sustainable Financial Management
- 3. ESG Accounting and Disclosure
- 4. Ethics, Law, and Policy for Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG)
- 5. ESG Management and Strategies
- 6. Sustainability in Hong Kong and Mainland China
- 7. ESG Practices in Business
- 8. ESG Investing
- 9. Green Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- 10. ESG in Marketing
- 11. ESG and Big Data
- 12. Sustainable Supply Chain Management

Other programmes

Institution	PolyU	HKBU
Programme	Master of Corporate Governance	Master of Science in Environmental and Public Health Management
Mode of Study	PT	FT/PT
Period of Study	PT: 2 years	FT: 1 year PT: 2 years
Medium of Instruction	English	English
Tuition Fee	HK\$238,500 for local students HK\$288,000 for non-local students	HK\$109,000
Admissions Requirements	<p>Applicants should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Bachelor's or higher degree in a business or business-related discipline awarded by a recognised university, or other qualifications deemed equivalent by the Admissions Committee; • To meet the minimum entrance requirements, applicants should have studied basic accounting and law or business law at the undergraduate level. <p>English Language Requirement: If you are not a native speaker of English, and your Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification is awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, you are expected to fulfil the following minimum English language requirement for admission purpose, unless otherwise specified by individual programmes concerned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 80 for the Internet-based test or 550 for the paper-based test; OR • An overall Band Score of at least 6 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). 	<p>Applicants should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • possess a bachelor's degree from a recognised university or comparable institution in any discipline; OR possess a higher diploma with at least 5 years' working experience after graduation; OR a qualification deemed to be equivalent. <p>If the medium of instruction for the undergraduate study of the applicant was not English, then the applicant is expected to demonstrate his/her English proficiency by fulfilling either one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a TOFEL score of at least 550 (paper-based) or 79 (Internet-based test), • an IELTS score of at least 6.5 (academic), • a new College English Test (CET-6) of China score of at least 450 (valid for 2 years after the test date). • Applicants with an IELTS score of 6.0, a TOEFL score of at least 537 (paper-based), 203 (computer-based) or 74 (Internet-based test) may also apply and will be required to complete an English enhancement course offered by the University if admitted. • In addition, the applicants who are expected to perform satisfactorily in the English admission interview.
Graduation Requirements	30 units	27 units
Core Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Financial Accounting • Corporate Law • Corporate Taxation & Tax Planning • Organisation Management & Strategy • Managerial Accounting & Information Systems • Corporate Administration • Corporate Governance • Corporate Finance & Policies • Contemporary Issues in Corporate Governance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles of Environmental Management • Management of Public Health Risks
Elective Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Risk Management • Securities Regulations & Practice • Strategic China Tax Planning & Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable Management Systems • Land and Water Resources Management • Integrated Waste Management • Research Methodologies in Environmental Monitoring and Public Health Protection • Food Quality, Law and Safety Management • Occupational Health and Safety Management • Carbon and Energy Management • MSc Dissertation
Programme Website	http://www51.polyu.edu.hk/eprospectus/tpg/2022/21047-mcg	http://ephm.hkbu.edu.hk/baptist--home.html

Other programmes

Institution	HKMU	PolyU
Programme	MSc in Global Environmental Management for Sustainable Development	Master of Science in Sustainable Urban Development
Mode of Study	FT/PT	FT/PT
Period of Study	FT: 1 year PT: 2 years	FT: 1 year PT: 2.5 years
Medium of Instruction	English	English
Tuition Fee	HK\$1,935 per credit	HK\$5,300 per credit
Admissions Requirements	<p>Applicants should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Bachelor's degree from a recognised institution or equivalent qualification. <p>English language proficiency requirements: Applicants must meet the following English proficiency requirements if their bachelor's Degrees or equivalent qualification did not adopt English as the medium of instruction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Language Subject of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (DSE): a score of level 3 or above; or TOEFL – paper-based: a score of 550 or above; or TOEFL – paper delivered: a score of 60 (total scores for Reading, Listening and Writing sections) or above; or TOEFL – internet based: a score of 79 or above; or IELTS: a score of 6.0 or above; or CET-6: a score of 430 or above; or OR equivalent 	<p>General Entrance Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For admission to a Doctoral degree programme, you must possess a master's degree. As for the master's degree or Postgraduate Diploma, the basic requirement is a Bachelor's degree from an institution that is recognised by PolyU. In addition, you must meet the entrance requirements that are specified by individual programmes. PolyU may accept equivalent qualifications. The decision is made on an individual basis. <p>English Language Requirement: If you are not a native speaker of English, and your Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification is awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, you are expected to fulfil the following minimum English language requirement for admission purpose, unless otherwise specified by individual programmes concerned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 80 for the Internet-based test or 550 for the paper-based test; OR An overall Band Score of at least 6 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). English language qualifications other than the above will be considered individually on their own merits by the departments concerned. Applicants may be required to attend interviews or tests to further demonstrate their language proficiency.
Graduation Requirements	60 credits	30 units
Core Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ecological Conservation and Environmental Assessment Environmental Management and Regulation Environmental Leadership Global Sustainable Development Environmental Research Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban Planning & Urban Design Development Finance & Investment Sustainability & the Built Environment Sustainable Development & Environmental Planning
Elective Courses		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Appraisal Real Estate Development Energy Efficient Buildings Engineering Intelligent Buildings Noise & Vibration in Sustainable Built Environments Applied Solar Energy in Buildings Urban Transport Planning – Theory & Practice^ Environmental Impact Assessment Global Climate Change and Society Response Principles of GIS Urban Informatics* Social Impact Assessment
Programme Website	https://www.hkmu.edu.hk/st/programmes/department-of-science/master-of-science-global-environmental-management-for-sustainable-development-mscgemsdf/	https://www51.polyu.edu.hk/eprospectus/tpg/2022/33088-ufm-usm#Curriculum

Other programmes

Institution	HKU
Programme	Master of Social Science in Sustainability Leadership and Governance
Mode of Study	FT/PT
Period of Study	FT: 1 year PT: 2 years
Medium of Instruction	English
Tuition Fee	HK\$155,000
Admissions Requirements	<p>Applicants should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification • Satisfy HKU's English language requirements • A minimum of two years of work experience • Applicants may be required to attend an interview, either in-person or online via Zoom <p>If the qualification is from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, you are required to obtain one of the below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language): A score of 550 or above in the paper-based TOEFL; or A score of 213 or above in the computer-based TOEFL; or A score of 213 or above in the computer-based TOEFL; or • IELTS (International English Language Testing System): A minimum overall band of 6 with no subtest lower than 5.5; or • GCE (General Certificate of Education): Grade C or above; or • IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education): Grade C or above; or • Cambridge Test of Proficiency in English Language: Grade C or above
Graduation Requirements	60 units
Core Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative governance for low carbon transition • Corporate environmental management • Decision-making in value chain management • Environmental economics and analysis • Environmental policy and politics • Sustainable and responsible investment
Elective Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social entrepreneurship and social innovation • Sustainable Cities • Business ethics and social responsibility • Special Topics • Management systems and auditing • Sustainability assessment tools for resource management • Transparency, accountability & disclosure
Programme Website	HKU Sustainability Leadership and Governance Programme – HKU SLGP

Programmes outside HK

- See attachments

A survey (conducted in March 2022)

- 22.9%: have a good level of knowledge about ESG
- 53.2%: have a general understanding of ESG
- 78%: would consider pursuing a Master degree in MScESGM
 - 69.3%: not currently working in the field of ESG but believe that studying this programme can help enhance their understanding of ESG and its related issues and help them pursue a career in this new area
 - 6.8%: currently working in the field of ESG; pursuing a study on this area will further enhance their ability in ESG management and improve their work performance
 - 14.1%: interested in the programme because of their interest in ESG management for self-improvement purposes