

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	APSS404																		
Subject Title	Housing Policy and Administration																		
Credit Value	3																		
Level	4																		
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	<u>Pre-requisite:</u> APSS451 Social Policy																		
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Objectives	To enable the students to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. develop a comprehensive understanding of housing policy and services in Hong Kong; 2. grasp various theoretical approaches and concepts in analyzing housing policy and services; 3. understand the key concepts and approaches in housing management and administration. 																		
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. present the policy and administration of various housing services systematically; b. apply theories and concepts to analyze housing policy, and related urban issues; c. Critically evaluate existing housing policy issues, and be able to develop policy alternatives. 																		

<p>Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Development of housing policy and housing services in Hong Kong <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Urbanization and urban development in Hong Kong b. Development of public housing policy in Hong Kong c. Delivery of social housing services in Hong Kong d. Private housing in Hong Kong 2. Theories of housing <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Classical economic and housing b. Chicago School and human Ecology c. Neo-Marxist and political economy of housing d. Housing policy and gender issue e. Housing and economic development 3. Housing organizations and administration <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau b. Housing Authority and Housing Department c. Urban Renewal Authority d. Hong Kong Institute of Housing e. Housing Society and NGOs f. The development of housing professionals 4. Housing Management <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The nature and scope of housing management b. Tenant participation in housing management c. Property management in different premises d. Social changes and new approaches in housing management 5. Current housing issues <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Housing tenure: rental vs. homeownership b. Private housing vs. social housing c. Urban renewal and new town development d. Land supply, housing and urban planning e. Housing action and urban social movement f. Housing inequalities and social exclusion g. Global cities and housing development
<p>Teaching/Learning Methodology</p>	<p>This subject consists of a series of related lectures and seminars. An interactive approach is adopted to encourage discussions and debates on housing policy and housing management issues. Policy issues and case studies will be highlighted in lectures for discussion. Students are also required to present in seminar on selected policy or housing issues, through which they learn to develop knowledge in a specific area and to articulate their arguments systematically.</p>

Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)				
			a	b	c	d	e
	1. Term Paper (3,000 words)	40%	✓	✓	✓		
	2. Quiz/Class Exercises	30%	✓	✓	✓		
	2. Seminar Presentation/ Participation	30%	✓	✓	✓		
Total	100%						
<p>The subject of housing policy requires in depth studies of selected policy issues and hence a weighted term paper and regular short essays in class, rather than a written exam, would be a better method of assessment.</p>							
Student Study Effort Required	Class contact:						
	▪ Lectures		24 Hrs.				
	▪ Seminars		14 Hrs.				
	▪ Field Visit		4 Hrs.				
	Other student study effort:						
	▪ Self-directed studies		25 Hrs.				
	▪ Preparation for seminar presentation		25 Hrs.				
	▪ Preparation for term paper/quiz		43 Hrs.				
Total student study effort		135 Hrs.					
Medium of Instruction	English supplemented with Chinese						
Medium of Assessment	English						

Reading List and References

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