

Program Overview

On 1 January 2016, the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development – adopted by world leaders in September 2015 at an historic UN Summit – officially came into force. Over the next fifteen years, with these new Goals that universally apply to all, countries will mobilize efforts to end all forms of poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change, while ensuring that no one is left behind.

[http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/development-agenda/]

On January 16th, 2017, President Xi Jinping of China and the President Doris Leuthard of the Swiss Confederation jointly witnessed the signing of the memorandum between Tsinghua University and the University of Geneva (UniGe) on comprehensive cooperation on SDGs. During the roundtable, President Qiu Yong of Tsinghua University and President Yves FI ü ckiger of the University of Geneva signed an agreement on a dual Master of Public Policy for Sustainable Development Goals (MPP-SDG).

Within this cooperative framework, the School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM) of Tsinghua University is partnering with the Geneva School of Social Sciences (G3S) of UniGe to start a highly interdisciplinary 2.5–year dual master's program for the SDGs from September 2018. This program focuses on defining and developing concrete solutions for the SDGs through hands–on, team–based and project–driven activities, in parallel with courses on the fundamentals of sustainable development. Candidates from a broad range of backgrounds will gain both theoretical understanding and practical field experience that will prepare for employment on sustainable development projects.

Three specialization modules will be available in curriculum

Sustainable Human Development

- -- Frontier on Public Policy
- -- Development Theory & Practice
- -- Environment, Climate and Governance
- Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development Practice
- -- Theories and Issues of Global Justice
- -- Environmental economics
- Development: Theories, policies and practices
- Workshop: Practice of Sustainable Human Development

Standards, Governance and Sustainability

- -- Governance and Development
- -- Politics and Government in China
- -- China's Foreign Strategy and Policy
- -- Science & Art of Leadership
- -- Corporate Citizenship
- -- Governance of Global Supply Chains
- Workshop: Voluntary Standards, Governance and SDGs

Sustainable Cities and Territories

- -- Urbanization and Social Development
- Technology/Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- -- Economic Development and Policy in China
- Sustainable consumption and social innovation
- -- Cities in transition
- -- Workshop: Urban Futures

Study Plan

The MPP-SDG dual-degree program lasts 2.5 year (5 semesters).

Semester	University	Master Studies
1+2	Tsinghua	Compulsory and elective courses
Summer break	Internship	
3+4	UNIGE	Compulsory and elective courses and thesis proposal
5	Tsinghua	Degree thesis

Dual Degrees

Upon successful completion of the dual degree requirements, international students and Chinese MPA students will receive one master degree from each party: the degree "Master of Public Administration" of Tsinghua University and the degree "Master of Science" of the University of Geneva.

Upon successful completion of the dual degree requirements, Chinese MM students will receive one master degree from each party: the degree "Master of Management" of Tsinghua University and the degree "Master of Science" of the University of Geneva.



Admission requirements:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent;
- English proficiency test certificate (Non-native speaker: TOEFL 92 or IELTS 7.0);
- Two recommendation letters from scholars who have the title of associate professor or above or are senior professionals in the related field;
- Transcript of academic record, research and awards.



Admission to the Dual-Degree Program

International applicants could apply the dual-degree program in the online application system of Tsinghua (http://gradadmission.tsinghua.edu.cn/f/login) by end of April 2021.

Chinese students who wish to be enrolled in the dual-degree program must apply to the 2021 Chinese MM or MPA program of the School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University.

Tuition Fee

For non-Chinese students, the tuition fee for the whole program charged by Tsinghua is 120,000 RMB. Chinese nationals shall pay tuition fee to Tsinghua according to the requirement of Chinese MM or MPA Program. There is no tuition fee for year two at UNIGE.

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