



Lingnan 嶺南大學  
University 香港 Hong Kong

# Master of Cities and Governance 城市與治理碩士

(Environment and Sustainability  
環境與可持續發展)



SCHOOL OF  
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The Concentration in Environment and Sustainability (環境與可持續發展) is an advanced study programme focusing on sustainability and emerging environmental problems. It is a specialisation pathway of the existing Master of Cities and Governance (MCG) programme at Lingnan University (LU), pertaining to urban affairs, policy, and governance. The Concentration curriculum will focus on the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as the aim is to equip students with the interdisciplinary knowledge and skills needed to critically examine environmental and social issues, such as climate change, sustainable urban development, and social equality.



Founding Programme Director  
**Professor Ray FORREST**

Research Professor  
in Cities and Social Change  
M.Soc.Sci. (Birm.); PhD (Bris.);  
Dip. (HWU); FAcSS

## UNDERSTANDING CONTEMPORARY URBANISATION AND THE CHALLENGES OF MODERN URBAN POLICY-MAKING

We are thrilled to offer an interdisciplinary programme that provides students with a comprehensive understanding of urban affairs.

Located in the dynamic urban region of South China's Greater Bay Area, our programme provides students with first-hand experience of how globalisation, economic development, demographic change, mobility, history, and culture have impacted and shaped city governance. In addition, partnerships with top institutions from around the world offer unique opportunities to learn from experts in the field and gain insights into the governance and development of cities worldwide.

Experiential learning is a crucial component of the programme. Field visits and hands-on learning opportunities enable students to engage with city governance professionals, community leaders, and stakeholders, providing practical insights into the challenges and opportunities of urban development.

Whether interested in urban studies, public policy, or social and environmental sustainability, our programme equips you with the skills and knowledge necessary to make a meaningful impact in your community and beyond.

We look forward to welcoming you to our programme and supporting you in achieving your academic and professional goals.



Programme Director  
**Prof. DU Huimin Helen**

Assistant Professor

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

For those who have opted for the Concentration, upon graduation, they shall be able to:

- ▶ Utilise theoretical and methodological approaches to address complex issues related to the environment and sustainability
- ▶ Demonstrate critical awareness of the scientific arguments related to climate change and social equality issues
- ▶ Effectively articulate their ideas related to environmental, social and governance (ESG) strategies and SDGs when communicating with diverse audiences
- ▶ Apply their knowledge to tackle the changing social and business landscape

# CREDITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION

For graduation the minimum cumulative GPA requirement for graduation will be 2.67 for the MCG-ES Programme.

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Upon enrollment in the MCG program and selection of MCG-ES Concentration, students are expected to complete 30 credits, equivalent to 10 courses. Among these, six courses are already included in the standard MCG program curriculum, and the remaining four have been specifically developed for students who have chosen to pursue a Concentration.

Course		Credit
MCG501	Cities and Social Change	3
MCG505	Smart and Sustainable Cities	3
MCG507	Urban Issues and Policies: International Symposium	3
SCI502	Climate Change Literacy and Science	3
SCI503	Sustainability and Environmental Communication	3
MCG503	History, Heritage and Regional Perspectives	3
CRS501	China and Regional Studies: Politics, Policy, and International Development	3
MCG502	Regional Policy Study and Visit in the Greater Bay Area	3
SCI504	Urban Ecology and Sustainable Planning	3
SCI505	Introduction to Environmental, Social and Governance	3

### Course index:

-  Existing course from MCG
-  Course for ES Concentration

**WHY CHOOSE**  
*Master of Cities  
and Governance?*

( Environment and Sustainability 環境與可持續發展 )

- ▶ An interdisciplinary approach: As with the MCG, courses are taken from different study programmes already offered at LU (Political Science, Cultural Studies, Sociology, and Economics) as well as a new discipline (Natural Sciences)
- ▶ Multi-scale perspective: Environmental issues will be investigated at small (local district to city level) and large (national to global level) scales
- ▶ Inclusion of diverse stakeholders: As exploring solutions to key sustainability and environmental issues requires inclusion of all stakeholder viewpoints, experts from the government, academic, non-profit, and industry sectors will be invited to contribute to the curriculum and participate in courses



## CAREER PROSPECTS

- ▶ The Concentration will offer career pathways to graduates in a variety of areas such as civil service, journalism, project management, corporate executive, education, and international organisations (including non-governmental organisations)
- ▶ The programme will also prepare students who intend to pursue further studies in PhD and professional doctorate degrees in fields such as Policy Studies and Environmental Management

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Understanding contemporary urbanisation  
and the challenges of modern urban policy-making

#### MODE OF STUDY

Mode of study	Minimum period	Maximum period
Full-time	1 year	3 years
Part-time	2 years	5 years

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A Bachelor's degree from a recognised higher education institution; and
- If the applicant's bachelor's degree was awarded by a non-English medium institution, the applicant must have:
  - TOEFL: minimum acceptable score of 550 (paper-based test) or 79 (internet-based test); or
  - IELTS: minimum acceptable score of 6.5; or
  - an equivalent score in another English language test\*

\* Applicants of equivalent English qualifications may be invited to attend an admission interview.

#### TUITION FEE

Full-time / Part-time mode : HKD \$ 156,600  
Application Fee : HKD \$ 400



Application Website  
[www.ln.edu.hk/admission/apply](http://www.ln.edu.hk/admission/apply)



Programme Website  
[www.ln.edu.hk/sgs/mcg/concentration.php](http://www.ln.edu.hk/sgs/mcg/concentration.php)

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