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Graduate Programmes

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MASTER OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

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Programme Overview

The contemporary world is becoming more volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous (VUCA) than ever. Many real-world problems require a multidisciplinary approach to address. The Master of Social Science (MSSC) programme provides a unique opportunity for interdisciplinary education and career development, allowing individuals to integrate different disciplines in addressing contemporary issues and challenges in their profession, industry or the society at large. This programme will be especially suitable for candidates who are entrepreneurial and self-directed, charting a learning journey into the future of work.

Unique Features of the Programme

- Provides an alternative progression pathway for students who aim to equip themselves with multidisciplinary knowledge.
- Promote innovation and flexibility where students take ownership and chart their own learning.

Whom is this for?

The programme is suitable for those who are keen to formulate innovative solutions and apply the cross-disciplinary knowledge to address the challenges facing a fast-changing world.

Programme Structure

Students are required to complete 60 credit units (cu) of relevant courses from two graduate diplomas (30 cu each) and an applied research project (10 cu).

To graduate with the Master of Social Science, students are required to achieve a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 3.0 (out of 5) and the duration taken to complete both graduate diplomas must be within a maximum candidature period of 4 years, not including the time taken to complete 10 cu of applied research project.

Select any TWO Graduate Diplomas (Total 60 cu)[1,2]

- Graduate Diploma in Analytics and Visualisation
- Graduate Diploma in Digital Marketing
- Graduate Diploma in Financial Technology
- Graduate Diploma in Gerontology
- Graduate Diploma in Human Capital Management
- Graduate Diploma in IP and Innovation Management (IP)
- Graduate Diploma in Taxation

- Applied Research Project (10 cu)

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Explanatory Notes:

[1] **The graduate diplomas available may be subject to change. For more information on the courses in each graduate diploma, please visit suss.edu.sg/MSSC**

[2] **Upon completion of 30 cu of the first graduate diploma, students will need a min. CGPA of 2.5 to be awarded the graduate diploma, and a min. CGPA of 3.0 to proceed to the second graduate diploma and the Master of Social Science.**

[3] **Upon completion of 70 cu of courses, students will need a min. CGPA of 3.0 to be awarded Master of Social Science.**

For more information on our Master of Social Science, please visit suss.edu.sg/MSSC

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Admission Criteria

Applicants must possess an undergraduate degree or an equivalent qualification from a recognised institution.

For SUSS graduate programmes that are conducted in the English Language, you must meet the English Language Proficiency Requirement (ELPR)* **if** your undergraduate degree is not awarded by an English-medium university, **or** your undergraduate degree is awarded by an English-medium university but the language of instruction was not English.

** at least an IELTS (Academic) score of 6.5, or a TOEFL score of 580 (paper-based) or 85 (internet-based), or a PTE Academic score of 58, or C1 Advanced score of 180 [score must be obtained within the last 2 years at point of application].*

Applicants with an undergraduate degree that was conducted in English but awarded by a non-English medium university must produce an official letter from the university to certify as such in order to seek waiver of the ELPR requirement.

In addition, applicants need to submit a proposal for the applied research project (using the research proposal template) in which you are required to identify a problem and submit a proposal that integrates the knowledge acquired from two relevant graduate diplomas to solve the identified problem in the chosen field(s).

To view and download a copy of the research proposal template, please refer to suss.edu.sg/MSSC

Shortlisted applicants will be required to undergo one or more interviews and/or take such written admission or other evaluation tests as may be prescribed by SUSS from time to time.

All applications are considered individually on merit, and the offer of admission is dependent on the number of places available in individual programmes. Admission is solely at the discretion of SUSS and the decision is final and binding. SUSS reserves the right to refuse admission and is not obliged to offer an explanation for the non-admission of unsuccessful candidates.

Tuition Fees

The amount of course fees you pay in each semester depends on the number of courses you take in that semester. The course fees cover all study materials, classes, tutor supervision, assignments and examinations. They do not include fees for textbooks and other additional items specified by SUSS from time to time.

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