MASTER IN PUBLIC POLICY
Inequality. Automation. Global warming. We face increasingly difficult policy challenges.

More than ever, there is a pressing need for policy specialists who have a combined mastery of theoretical knowledge, technical skills and implementation abilities to solve these problems.

**This is where our programme comes in.**
PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Master in Public Policy at the Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia prepares students to develop practical solutions to real-world policy problems in the region through a multidisciplinary focus in economics, quantitative analysis and public policy management.

This Programme is formulated to equip graduates and mid-career professionals to develop greater technical capability in evidence-based policy analysis and to possess deeper understanding on fundamental concepts and contemporary issues on economic development, social inclusion, political governance and technological trends.
WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR

Complex policy problems require multidisciplinary solutions.

As such, we seek to attract candidates from a diverse range of backgrounds.

We are looking for people who not only wish to take their careers to the next level, but want to make a difference in the world.
WHERE THIS PROGRAMME COULD TAKE YOU

With the skills accumulated in this programme, graduates will be equipped to address the policy challenges of rapidly-changing socioeconomic dimensions in the region.

The programme’s multidisciplinary emphasis on knowledge, analytic skills and management is highly transferable across sectors, issues and regions.

Graduates are able to work throughout the world in key roles in the public, private or non-profit sectors.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should have a Bachelor’s degree with a minimum CGPA of 2.5 in a related discipline.

The programme is designed for those with relevant working experience, however deserving fresh graduates will also be considered.

English language requirements
Candidates who completed undergraduate studies where the medium of instruction was English would have met the language requirements.

International candidates should demonstrate sufficient English proficiency for the needs of the programme.

Intakes April & July 2021
Application deadline 31 March 2021
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Acceptance into the programme is by application and selection only.
# Programme Structure *

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**Electives:**
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2. International Trade, Regionalism and Global Production Value-Chains
3. Education Policies and Human Capital Development in Asia
4. Politics of Public Policy
5. Sustainable Development Policies
6. Urbanisation, Transportation and Regional Growth
7. Social Entrepreneurship and Inclusive Growth and more…

*Subject to change.*
WHO YOU WILL BE WORKING WITH

**Professor Jeffrey D. Sachs**
Chairman, Jeffrey Sachs Center on Sustainable Development
Director, UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network

Professor Jeffrey Sachs is a world-renowned professor of economics, leader in sustainable development, bestselling author and syndicated columnist. He is Special Advisor to United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres on the Sustainable Development Goals and previously advised UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on both the Sustainable Development Goals and the Millennium Development Goals; and UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan on the Millennium Development Goals. His work on ending poverty, overcoming macroeconomic instability, promoting economic growth, fighting hunger and disease, and promoting sustainable environmental practices has taken him to more than 125 countries.

**Professor Tan Sri Dato’ Dr. Lin See-Yan**
Chairman Emeritus, Harvard Graduate School Alumni Association Council at Harvard University
President, Harvard Club of Malaysia

Professor Tan Sri Dato’ Dr. Lin See-Yan, former Bank Negara Malaysia deputy governor, is Research Professor at Sunway University. Prior to 1998, he was Chairman and CEO of a publicly listed commercial banking group, having previously been a central banker for 34 years. He has served as Pro-Chancellor of Universiti Sains Malaysia (2000-2010). He holds three graduate degrees from Harvard University, including a PhD in economics.

**Professor Dwight H. Perkins**
Harold Hitchings Burbank Research Professor of Political Economy, Harvard University

Professor Dwight Perkins has served as an advisor or consultant on economic policy and reform to the governments of Korea, China, Malaysia, Vietnam, Indonesia, and Papua New Guinea. He has also been a long-term consultant to the World Bank, the Ford Foundation, various private corporations, and agencies of the U.S. government, including the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations (then chaired by Senator Henry M. Jackson). He has been a Visiting Professor or Scholar at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo, the University of Washington, and Fudan University in Shanghai.

**Professor Woo Wing Thye**
President, Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia
Director, Jeffrey Sachs Center on Sustainable Development

Professor Woo Wing Thye heads the Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia at Sunway University. He also holds academic appointments at University of California at Davis, Columbia University, Fudan University, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, and Perang Institute. His current research focuses on macroeconomic management of open economies; and on the growth challenges of the East Asian economies, particularly, China, Indonesia and Malaysia. He has led an international team to study the reform experiences of centrally-planned economies served as a special advisor to the U.S. Treasury; and headed the project “Asia Competitiveness Report 1999” to analyse the Asian financial crisis.

**Professor Shandre Mogan Thangavelu**
Vice President, Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia
Senior Fellow, Jeffrey Sachs Center on Sustainable Development

Professor Shandre Mogan Thangavelu is an active researcher on human capital development, technology transfer, foreign direct investment, trade, government infrastructure investment, productivity and economic growth. Apart from his position at Sunway University, he is also Regional Director (Southeast Asia) at the Centre for International Economic Studies, Institute of International Trade, University of Adelaide; as well as the Director of the Asia Growth Research Centre, University of Adelaide. He was appointed Fellow of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) in 2017.
**Professor Leong Choon Heng**  
Director of Social Progress, Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia  
Deputy Director, Jeffrey Sachs Center on Sustainable Development

Professor Leong teaches in the fields of sociology, public policy, transportation and logistics. At the Institute, his research is largely in the areas of sustainable development, community participation, sustainable transportation and education delivery systems. Prior to joining Sunway University, he was the President of the Malaysia University of Science and Technology and also taught at the National University of Singapore. He has also worked on policy issues at the Institute of Strategic and International Studies and also as consultant to several international organizations on social development and environmental assessment. He holds a PhD in Sociology from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Colby College, USA.

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**Professor James Chin**  
Director of Governance Studies, Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia  
Director of the Asia Institute, University of Tasmania

Professor James Chin is the inaugural Director of the Asia Institute Tasmania, University of Tasmania. He is an expert on governance issues in Southeast Asia, especially Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore. He also works on island states in the South Pacific. Professor Chin was previously the founding head of the School of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS), Monash University, Malaysia campus. He was previously Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Institute of South East Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore.

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**Professor Rajah Rasiah**  
Distinguished Professor of Economics at the Asia Europe Institute, University of Malaya

Professor Rajah Rasiah obtained his doctorate in Economics from Cambridge University in 1992, and was a Rajawali fellow at Harvard University in 2014. He was the first holder of the Khazanah Nasional Chair of Regulatory Studies, and served as Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Administration, University of Malaya in 2009-2010 and 2013-2014. He is the 2014 recipient of the Celso Furtado prize from the World Academy of Sciences for advancing the frontiers of social science (economics) thought. In light of his outstanding impactful contributions to scholarship, Malaysia’s Ministry of Higher Education conferred him the award of Distinguished Professor in the field of Economics in 2017. He was conferred the Merdeka (Independence) Award for academic excellence in 2018.

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**Dr. Wong Chin-Huat**  
Senior Fellow, Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia

Dr. Wong Chin-Huat obtained his PhD in political science from the University of Essex. His research interests include research interests include electoral system, party system, parliamentary democracy, federalism and identity politics. He engages the public through trilingual political commentaries and civil society activism. In 2018, he was appointed as member of Malaysia’s Electoral Reform Committee.

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**Dr. Chen Jit Ern**  
Senior Fellow, Jeffrey Sachs Center on Sustainable Development

Dr. Chen Jit Ern holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Natural Sciences and a PhD in Plant Sciences. His primary research interest is in the development and utilization of genetic engineering techniques and molecular tools on various microalgae, to study the underlying mechanisms for physiological traits such as lipid accumulation and heat tolerance. His previous Post-Doctoral position was in KAUST, Saudi Arabia, studying the potential for increased heat tolerance in Zooxanthellae (Symbiodinium microadriaticum), the photosynthetic coral endosymbiont, native to the Red Sea.
Sunway University is a leading not-for-profit private university committed to the pursuit of education through scholarship, research and enterprise. It is ranked among the top 2% of universities in Asia and rated as a 5-star institution by Quacquarelli Symonds (QS). For the 2020 rankings, the University was ranked within the 751–800 range, out of 1002 universities ranked in the QS World University Rankings. The University was also ranked among the top 150 young universities worldwide in the QS Top 50 Under 50.

The University is committed to multi-disciplinary research in sustainable development within an urban environment, and promoting health, well-being, and the development of new technologies in addressing some of the world’s most pressing problems. We are establishing ourselves on the global stage with some of our researchers being among the most highly cited globally and actively engaged in cross-border collaborations.
THE JEFFREY CHEAH INSTITUTE ON SOUTHEAST ASIA

The Jeffrey Cheah Institute on Southeast Asia is an independent public policy think-tank based at Sunway University.

The Institute’s research programme is grouped around three core disciplines: economic development, governance and social progress. Its mission is to develop solutions to some of the region’s most pressing development problems.

JCI seeks to engage policymakers, scholars and ordinary citizens through regular public lectures and discussions, and to build lasting academic partnerships in the region and the wider Asia-Pacific. International partners include Harvard University (United States), Columbia University (United States), ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute (Singapore), Keio University (Japan) and Fudan University (China).
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