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# **ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

# Master in Public Policy 2022

Pursuant to Decision no 1943/QĐ-BGDĐT dated 02nd June 2017 by Ministry of Education and Training (MOET), Fulbright University Vietnam (FUV) is permitted to organize educational and training activities legally.

Built upon the heritage of Fulbright Economics Teaching Program, an initiative by Vietnam Program, Harvard University, Master in Public Policy (MPP) by FUV is designed to provide highquality manpower for policy-making institutions and governmental bodies, NGOs, NPOs, private enterprises, research universities and institutions.

MPP program is directly offered and administered by Fulbright School of Public Policy and Management (hereinafter referred to as Fulbright School or FSPPM), the first academic unit under Fulbright University Vietnam. FSPPM pioneers in developing and educating public policy programs with a view to advocating for a transformative public policy and management in Vietnam and the region - through its committment toward excellence in teaching, research and civic engagement.

In July 2019, FSPPM is the first public policy school in Southeast Asia to be accredited by the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration (NASPAA, U.S.). Accreditation from the internationally prestigious network in public policy programs is a significant milestone projecting the school towards regional and international standards. Achieving the accreditation is a testament to the quality of education offered at FSPPM in par with other international programs.

FSPPM would like to call for applications for Master in Public Policy program in 2022 with **02 concentrations**: (i) **Policy Analysis**; and (ii) **Leadership and Management**, as follows:

# A. POLICY ANALYSIS CONCENTRATION

1. **Objectives:** provide learners principles to design and understand policies impacting the economy and national development. Students are equipped with fundamental theories and top-notch quantitative tools to analyze, design, implement and evaluate policies. Graduates from the program are aspiring and professional economic and policy analysts, capable of pursuing higher education in doctoral public policy programs at leading universities in the world.

#### 2. Prospective candidates:

- Group 1: Policy consultants and policy makers from public areas; lecturers; research fellows from public organizations; or distinction university graduates (graduating in 2021 & 2022) (\*).

- Group 2: Managers and executives from non-profit organizations, social organizations and enterprises; lecturers and researchers from private or international universities and institutes.

- Group 3: Policy makers, politicians, and government officials in Laos PDR. Candidates must hold Laos nationality and apply under Mekong - U.S. Partnership Program (MUSP).

### 3. Expected number of enrolments:

40 students for group 1 & 2

06 students for group 3

# 4. Application requirements:

- A bachelor's degree (from any majors and training modes);
- At least 2 years of full time experience
- (\*) Distinction university graduates will not be required two years of working experience.

Candidates from public sector are given special considerations.

# <u>Notes</u>:

• Candidates who do not graduate from economic and management majors must complete foundational courses as required by MOET (more details can be found at FSPPM's website: <u>fsppm.fulbright.edu.vn</u>).

# 5. Application package:

Candidates can submit their applications on FSPPM website: <u>fsppm.fulbright.edu.vn</u>. Application package include:

- Online application form
- Personal essay (500 700 words) in English/Vietnamese (language of expression is of personal choice)
- Passport photo (4x6 cm)
- Scanned copies of bachelor degrees (or higher) and academic transcripts

*Notes*: Successful candidates must submit additional credentials, including: personal resume verified by local governments or employers; health reports; notarized bachelor's degree (and higher) and academic transcripts; and English certificates (if any).

- 6. Recruitment format: the entrance exam consists of two tests:
  - Quantitative skill (60 minutes).

<u>Notes:</u> the format and difficulty of Quantitative test are simulated after Graduate Record Examinations (GRE), a multiple-choice standardized test commonly used for applications into graduate programs in the world.

- English (60 minutes): as required by Ministry of Education & Training

<u>English exemption</u>: Those submitting one of the following documents are exempted from English language proficiency requirement (valid within 2 years from application deadline):

- IELST score of at least 5.5; iBT TOELF of at least 61; TOEIC (L-R) of at least 600; or
- B2 English certificates issued by these institutions: University of Languages and International Studies – Vietnam National University Hanoi; Da Nang University of Foreign Languages; Hue University – University of Foreign Languages; Ho Chi Minh City University of Education; Hanoi University of Pedagogy; Ha Noi University; Thai Nguyen University; Can Tho University; Vinh University; People's Security Academy; Saigon University; Banking University Ho Chi Minh city; Tra Vinh University; Van Lang University; Quy Nhon University; Tay Nguyen University; Industrial University of Ho Chi

Minh City; Academy of Journalism and Communication; HCMC University of Food Industry; Military Science Academy; Trade University;

- Bachelor's or master's degree in English language; or
- Bachelor's or master's degree granted by an English-speaking institution (no interpretation).

#### 7. Admission criteria

- Those satisfactorily meeting admissions requirements and successfully submitting application by due deadline may be invited for entrance exams.
- Candidates scoring 50% or higher in each test are invited for interview.
- The final selection result is based on application screening, test result, quality of personal essay, interview and potential contributions to society.

<u>Notes</u>: Interviews are in English.

#### 8. Admission schedule

#### 8.1. For group 1 and 2

Call for application	18/4/2022
Info Day in Hanoi	25/6/2022 (tentative)
Info Day in HCMC	16/7/2022 (tentative)
Application deadline	14/8/2022
Entrance exams	10/9/2022
Interview	10 - 11/9/2022
Results announcement	17/9/2022
Convocation & Orientation	17/10/2022

#### 8.2. For group 3 – MUSP Scholarship

Call for online application	18/4/2022
Application deadline	10/7/2022
Interview	20/7/2022
Entrance exams	10/9/2022
Results announcement	11/9/2022
Convocation & Orientation	17/10/2022

#### 9. Training plan

- Training mode: Full-time
- Duration: 15 months
- Training schedule:
  - Classes are offered from Monday to Friday.
  - For some elective courses, classes will be delivered intensively every two months over 8 days (from Saturday of one week to Sunday of the next). The students can register for a course organized by the Fulbright School at Harvard University.
- Language of instruction: Vietnamese and English

### **10. Tuition and Scholarship**

### 10.1. For group 1 & 2

- Students are entitled to full scholarship or 100% tuition (equal to VND526 million) if they are in group 1; or partial scholarship or 50% tuition (equal to VND263 million) if they are in group 2, and the students are required to pay the remaining amount of the tuition fee.
- The scholarship is inclusive of tuition fees and field trip fees (if any).
- The scholarship is exclusive of lodging, stipend, course materials, extracurricular activities, Harvard course, and personal expenses.
- Excellent candidates with financial constraints, from public sector or remote areas, or female candidates will be considered for financial aid.

### 10.2. For group 3 – MUSP Scholarship Program

Students are entitled to full scholarhsip, including:

- **100% tuition fees**, equivalent to VND526 million/student (excluding elective course at Harvard).
- Housing & meal stipend of VND11 million/month (equivalent to 500US\$) in 15 months.
- Settlement stipend of VND5.5 million (equivalent to 250US\$).
- 01 roundtrip airfare to HCMC.
- Visa application fees, medical insurance.
- Extra-curricular activities: cultural briefing trip during orientation period, alumni network, policy seminars, workshops, and fieldtrips in courses (if any).

#### **B. LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION**

- 1. Objective: Provide learners principles to design and understand policies impacting the economy and society in general and their enterprises or NGOs in particular. Access to advanced knowledge and skills to upgrade learners' leadership and management competence. Opportunities to network with senior management of big corporations and organizations, government agencies or policy making bodies.
- **2. Prospective candidates:** Middle and senior managers, managers in government agencies, enterprises, NPO/NGO organizations.
- 3. Expected number of enrolments: 60 students

# 4. Application requirement:

- A bachelor's degree
- At least five (05) years of working full time

Candidates from public sector are given special consideratons.

<u>Notes</u>: Candidates who do not graduate from economic and management majors must complete foundational courses as required by MOET (more details can be found at FSPPM's website: fsppm.fulbright.edu.vn).

# 5. Application package:

Candidates can submit their applications on FSPPM website: fsppm.fulbright.edu.vn.

Application package include:

- Online application form
- Personal essay (600 800 words) in English/Vietnamese (language of expression is of personal choice)
- Passport photo (4x6 cm)
- Scanned copies of bachelor degrees (or higher) and academic transcripts
- Valid English certificates within 2 years from application deadline:
  - IELST score of at least 5.5; iBT TOELF of at least 61; TOEIC (L-R) of at least 600; or
  - B2 English certificates issued by these institutions: University of Languages and International Studies – Vietnam National University Hanoi; Da Nang University of Foreign Languages; Hue University – University of Foreign Languages; Ho Chi Minh City University of Education; Hanoi University of Pedagogy; Ha Noi University; Thai Nguyen University; Can Tho University; Vinh University; People's Security Academy; Saigon University; Banking University Ho Chi Minh city; Tra Vinh University; Van Lang University; Quy Nhon University; Tay Nguyen University; Industrial University of Ho Chi Minh City; Academy of Journalism and Communication; HCMC University of Food Industry; Military Science Academy; Trade University; or
  - Bachelor's or master's degree in English language; or
  - Bachelor's or master's degree granted by an English-speaking institution (no interpretation).

Candidates without English certificate will attend English exam according to admission schedule.

*Notes*: Successful candidates must submit additional credentials, including: personal resume verified by local governments or employers; health reports; notarized bachelor's degree (and higher) and academic transcripts; and English certificates (if any).

### 6. Admission format: Interview

### 7. Admission criteria:

- Those satisfactorily meeting admissions requirements and successfully submitting application by due deadline may be invited for interview.
- The final selection result is based on application screening, personal essay, interview and potential contributions to society.

Notes: Interviews are in English.

#### 8. Admission schedule

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English exam (for those who do not have valid English certificates)	10/9/2022
Interviews	10 - 11/9/2022
Results announcement	17/9/2022
Convocation and orientation	17/10/2022

#### 9. Training plan

- Training mode: part time
- Duration: 18 months
- Classes will be delivered intensively every 6-8 weeks over 9 days (from Saturday of one week to Sunday of the next). The students can register a course organized by the Fulbright School at Harvard University, USA.
- Language of instruction: Vietnamese

# **10. Tuition and Scholarship**

- Partial scholarship (40% tuition fees) are granted to admitted students. The students are required to pay the remaining amount of the tuition fee (equivalent to VND 252 million), accounting for 60% tuition fees.
- The scholarship is inclusive of tuition fees and field trip fees (if any).
- The scholarship is exclusive of lodging, stipend, course materials, extracurricular activities, Harvard course, and personal expenses.
- Excellent candidates with financial constraints, from public sector or remote areas, or female candidates will be considered for financial aid.
- **C. TRAINING LOCATION:** Fulbright School of Public Policy and Management, Fulbright University Vietnam, Crescent Campus (105 Ton Dat Tien, Tan Phu Ward, District 7, HCMC)

- **D. FACULTY MEMBERS:** All lecturers of the MPP Program meet the requirements of Ministry of Education and Training and standards set by NASPAA Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration.
- **E. DEGREES:** MPP degree is granted by Rector of Fulbright University Vietnam to students who meet all requirements of the Program (Policy Analysis and Leadership & Management concentration).
- **F. CONTACT DETAILS:** For more information about MPP program or application guidelines, please contact:

Admission Office - Fulbright School of Public Policy and Management Fulbright University Vietnam 105 Ton Dat Tien, Tan Phu Ward, District 7, Ho Chi Minh City Email: <u>admissions.fsppm@fulbright.edu.vn</u> Hotline: 091-102-5103

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