

Graduation Requirements

Participants graduate upon successful completion of the entire Program. Evaluation of performance of participants is based on written examinations, class presentations, group or individual written assignments, tests results and class participation. The passing score for any module is 60 or above. Graduates with a final mark of 90 or above will receive the Degree "with distinction". Those with an overall mark of 85 - 89 will receive the Degree 'with merit'.

Support Facilities

The Program will be conducted in the FHR School of Governance at Mr. F.H.R.Lim A Po street 1. This School along with three other historic and renovated buildings, two of which are located at Mr. F.H.R. Lim A Po street, 8 and 10 and one at the Mr. Dr. J.C. de Miranda street 9, constitute the premises of the FHR Lim A Po Institute for Social Studies. The Institute has lecturing, syndicate and study rooms, an auditorium and a library with computer and Internet facilities for use by participants. ISS's e-learning and Internet services are also accessible. A tropical terrace for coffee and lunch breaks serves as a facility for social gatherings.

Responsible Institutions

The FHR Lim A Po Institute for Social Studies (FHR) was founded in 2000 as an initiative to advocate life long learning. It engages in training and education, research and consultancy, as well as in the debating of topical societal and other issues in a setting of government, private sector and civil society organizations. It conducts postgraduate courses in professional skills, governance and management and organizes executive seminars, workshops and conferences.

The Institute of Social Studies (ISS) was founded in 1952 as a joint initiative of the Dutch universities and is officially registered as an Institute of international higher education under the Dutch Law on Higher Education. Its degrees are recognized by Dutch law and internationally. With its multicultural student population and staff, ISS provides high-quality social science policy-oriented education to mid career professionals, mostly from developing countries.

Admission Requirements

- a Bachelors degree or the equivalent of at least three years of study at a recognized university or institute of higher education;
- at least two years of professional experience relevant to the MPA in Governance;
- successful completion of the preparation modules preceding the program;
- proficiency in English. Applicants who are not native English speakers and who have not successfully completed higher education fully conducted in English, have to proof their proficiency in the language. Admission is dependent on applicant's score for a language proficiency test (at least 550 for the TOEFL test* with 4.5 for the TWE);
- a written commitment from applicant's employer that he will be released from work when lecturing takes place during daytime. (22 Fridays will be involved during the entire program);
- a payment of 3.000,- euro being 50% of the tuition fee of 6.000,- euro, latest by February 29th, 2008. The balance will be due on August 31st 2008. A limited number of scholarships are available from the Ministry of Planning and Development Cooperation and the Mr. F.H.R. Lim A Po Stichting to cover (part of) the tuition fee.

Further information will be provided at open days on January 9th and 16th, 2008 from 12.00 – 14.00 hrs at FHR's premises.

Completed Application Forms for admission to the MPA Program should be submitted to FHR Latest by January 11th, 2008.

On January 12th and April 12th, 2008, The Advanced Teacher Training Institute in Suriname (IOL), in cooperation with FHR will provide the opportunity to take a TOEFL equivalent Test of English Proficiency (TEP) and Standard Test of English Writing (STEW).

A form for admission can be obtained from F.H.R. Lim A Po Institute For Social Studies 8 Mr F.H.R. Lim A Po street
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Further information can also be obtained from FHR's Website: www.fhrinstitute.com



Intake 3

Master of Public Administration Program in Governance

After successful completion of the first intake and the second one being well on its way, the FHR Lim A Po Institute for Social Studies (FHR) in cooperation with the Institute of Social Studies (ISS) proudly announces the commencement of the third intake of its Master of Public Administration Program (MPA) in Governance. It is a 12 months program which starts in May 2008 and is preceded by two preparation modules in February and March 2008.

With the completion of this program a third batch of Masters in Governance will further reinforce the institutional capacity of the country.

The MPA in Governance will be conducted under the auspices of the Ministry of Planning and Development Cooperation (PLOS).

The Program is designed for 25 – 30 young professionals and mid career executives employed in the public and private sector, from non-governmental and other civil society organizations. It seeks to enhance their capacity to manage complex issues of governance.

Applications for admittance should be submitted latest by January 11th 2008.

Those who successfully complete the program will receive a Masters Degree in Governance from ISS, which is recognized under Dutch Law and internationally.



Program Curriculum

Preparation		
Subject	Contents	
Academic Skills	Enhances effective reading and study behavior, reporting skills, presentation skills, methods and techniques.	
Contemporary Geographic Patterns	Provides an overview of how developing countries relate to the historic and geographic patterns in today's world.	
MPA in Governance		
Subject	Contents	ECTS
Foundation		
Introduction to Governance: Concepts and Approaches	Provides a general introduction of core concepts and approaches and places the contemporary discussion of governance in a broader historical framework.	4
Economics for Governance	Provides an understanding of the main object of governance: the provision of public goods.	4
Politics and Public Administration	Focuses on key concepts and approaches on politics and the public sector.	4
Governance and the Legal Framework	Gives an introduction to the basic concepts and principles of legal systems.	4
Total for Foundation		16
Integration		
Globalization in Historical Perspective	Deals with the historical background and contemporary manifestation of globalization, as a phenomenon that is deeply affecting the economy and society of developing countries.	5
Democracy: Principles and Practices	Focuses on the central characteristics of democratic political systems, as well as on the different manifestations of democracy in today's world.	5
Human Rights: An International Perspective	Discusses the role of fundamental rights as part of the rule of law in societies that are governed on the basis of democratic principles.	5
International Political Economy	Focuses on the international dimension of governance in developing countries and discusses some central political and economic processes against the background of which development-oriented policies are being implemented.	5
Total for Integration		20
Focus		
Public Sector Management	Focuses on principles and instruments that are used by national and decentralized government to provide public goods.	5
Governance and the Private Sector: Public – Private Partnership	Focuses on the core relationships between government and the private sector, and zeroes in on contemporary principles of cooperation between the public and private sectors (so-called 'public-private partnership' arrangements).	5
Macro Economics and Public Sector in Suriname	Discusses certain important features of macroeconomic policy-making and management, and deepens the students' understanding of the impact of the public sector in the Surinamese economy.	5
Public Sector and Change Management	Deals with issues and problems related to the desire to bring about change within and around the public sector in a developing economy, with the objective of enhancing the provision of public goods for society and the economy.	5
Total for Focus		20
Performance	Individual Study Project	17
Total ECTS		73

Program Description

In preparation for the core of the program two modules will precede the Foundation segment, dealing with academic skills and contemporary geographic patterns. In the Preparation segment participants will be equipped with the ability to effectively read, present and discuss various global and governmental topics and enhance their understanding of the general forces that effect developing countries in their strife for progress.

At the core of the program is creating awareness and understanding of the roles of the actors of the various sectors involved in processes of governance as well as their interrelatedness. The program is not confined to the public sector but also covers the wider dimensions of governance, extending to the private sector and civil society.

The program seeks to strengthen the institutional capacity of the public sector, the private sector and of civil society to effectively operate at the national and international level. To that effect it deals with the multiple processes through which public goods, such as the rule of law, democracy and economic stability are being provided in a developing context like Suriname.

After completion of the program participants will have acquired the ability to handle complex governance issues and manage crucial processes of governance on the basis of proper empirical and analytical input and insight into the wider contextual environment.

Participants in previous MPA programs

Organization	MPA I	MPA II
Foreign Affairs	6	3
Planning	4	2
Domestic Affairs		2
Transport	1	
Social Affairs		3
Defence	1	
Justice & Police	3	4
Labour	1	1
Police Force	2	
Public Works	1	
Finance	1	2
Regional Development	2	

Organization	MPA I	MPA II
Environmental development, land and forestry	1	2
Agriculture		1
Trade	1	
National Assembly	1	
Public Health	1	1
MAS		1
Dutch Embassy	1	1
Central Bank	1	1
Audit Institution		1
NGO		1
Telesur		1
Total	28	27

Quotes from students in previous intakes:

“Studying Governance (MPA) enabled me to better appreciate the role of the State and the necessity for improved partnership with the Private sector and others, while at the same time being part of a dynamic group of motivated professionals expanded my network”. (Wanya Illes, MPA 1 graduate, Ministry of Trade and Industry)

“I found the discussions stimulated by the students almost as important as the lectures. The discussions outside the classroom were always motivating and often very enlightening. I built lasting friendships through the program”. (John Achong, MPA 1 graduate, Ministry of Defense)

“The Governance master program at the FHR-institute in collaboration with the ISS-The Hague provides excellent tools to understand and analyze contemporary development within the public sphere and beyond, both, nationally and internationally”. (William Orie, MPA 1 graduate, Central Bank of Suriname)

“The program has widened my scope of professional knowledge and significantly enhances my career opportunities”. (Lindsey Donokarijo, MPA 2 student, Suralco LLC)

Program Design

The program consists of 5 segments. It starts with a Preparation segment, providing effective reading skills and understanding of contemporary global and governmental topics.

The Foundation segment provides a solid knowledge base in each of the modules to be delivered. The Integration segment offers courses with a broader focus which are more integrated and often multidisciplinary in nature. The Focus segment contains a number of subjects with strong emphasis on changes within the public sector.

The program is completed by an Individual Study Project which requires students to analyze a complex problem related to governance and, drawing from one's own experience and working environment, provide for analytically sound and well researched policy recommendations.

Lecture Calendar

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Teaching Schedule

The first 6 subject courses are 24 hours each and will be taught in the first week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 18.00 – 21.30 hrs and on Friday from 08.30 – 15.00 hrs and in the second week on Monday and Tuesday from 18.00 – 21.30 hrs.

The remaining 8 subject courses are 32 hours each and will be taught in the first and the second week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 18.00 – 21.30 hrs and on Fridays from 08.30 – 13.00 hrs.