

University of Cape Town

M.Phil in Development Policy and Practice at UCT

Be part of a select group of twenty five senior practitioners from across Africa committed to development and public service, in the second entering class for an M.Phil degree in Development Policy and Practice, at the University of Cape Town's Graduate School of Development Policy and Practice (GSDPP). The School actively targets broad African participation, aiming at 50% representation from beyond South Africa.

The School's mission is to promote and inspire strategic public leadership in Africa, and to promote peer networks and linkages between leaders in government and in other fields such as academia, business, civil society and the arts.

The focus of the course, offered on a part-time basis with intensive blocks in Cape Town, is to develop your potential in high-level strategic public leadership. The degree will offer a structured and sustained learning opportunity, at the cutting edge of global knowledge and experience, with opportunities for applied research on effective approaches and practices of public policy design and implementation in developing countries.

The first-year core curriculum is designed to address the challenge of designing, winning support for and implementing new programmes in government. It will strengthen students' capacities to:

- Analyse how governance, political economy and institutional shortfalls influence outcomes;
- Build organisational capabilities and effectiveness through careful diagnosis and adaptation to prevailing constraints and opportunities;
- Operate in one or more key policy areas;
- Become increasingly skillful leaders with a strong focus on personal development and people-management, offered in partnership with UCT's Graduate School of Business;
- Undertake rigorous applied research that addresses both practical policy and implementation challenges.

Eminent, globally-recognised faculty bring to the classroom a rich combination of research eminence and practical experience at senior levels of policy-making and implementation.

The second-year programme builds on academic resources across UCT, as well as those of local and international partners, offering exposure to a range of specialist areas and the opportunity to work in depth with specialists from fields including: trade, industrial policy and export promotion; climate change; social policy; results-based public management; labour markets and employment; governance and accountability.

Entrance requirements include an Honours degree or equivalent and five years' professional experience, with an orientation towards public service. While some preference will be given to senior public officials, others, including senior civil society leaders, are also encouraged to apply. Applications must be accompanied by a current CV with referee details, supporting documents, motivation and covering letter. Apply online via http://www.uct.ac.za

For enquiries or more details of the programme, as well as details of the application process, please contact Nchimunya Hamukoma at nchimunya.hamukoma@uct.ac.za



A limited number of fee scholarships will be available on application.

Deadline for applications: 5 September 2014.

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