Master of Studies in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy

The Master of Studies in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy is principally aimed at senior, mid-career and high-potential early-career professionals. The course is offered by the Department of Land Economy combining the strong interdisciplinary background of academics from the Department and the broader University of Cambridge with the practical expertise from the world-class Cambridge innovation cluster. The programme provides a unique perspective on the ongoing sustainability transformations, especially the low-carbon transition.
Learning Outcomes

• Developing a 360-degree strategic view of climate, environmental and urban policy and their relevance for the sustainability transformation.

• Developing the ability to connect the short, medium and long-term drivers of sustainability transformations and their macro, meso and micro scales.

• Understanding the complex factors surrounding the low-carbon transition, including technology innovation, market dynamics, policy interventions, geopolitical drivers and environmental constraints.

• Understanding the different dimensions of the global challenges around degrading ecosystems, loss of biodiversity and the geopolitics of food security.

• Understanding the main drivers of demographic and urbanisation trends, and their implications at different levels, from global to local.

• Applying the 360-degree view developed in the course to analyse the complex links between climate change, biodiversity loss, public policy and sustainable cities and shape the decision-making processes of organisations in the public, private and non-profit sectors.

Course Structure

The Masters in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy programme has a modular design and is delivered part-time over two years, through a combination of distance learning, e-learning through a Virtual Learning Environment [VLE] and attendance at five intensive residential blocks over the two-year duration of the course.

The seven interdisciplinary modules are taught through a combination of:

• Taught sessions, lectures, interactive sessions by leading academics and practitioners.

• Group work including: working through case studies, dialogue, debate and presentations throughout the taught modules.

• Individual work including: working through course materials on the VLE, course reading, preparation of written work (primarily between the residential sessions).

• Residential sessions.

• Supervisions and support from the Land Economy faculty, tutors and supervisors from within the collegiate university.

Dates of Residential Sessions

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<td>2024-25</td>
<td>1 (2 weeks)</td>
<td>Sun 15th to Fri 27th September 2024</td>
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<td>Sun 30th March to Fri 12th April 2025</td>
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<td>Sun 29th June to Fri 11th July 2025</td>
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<td>4 (1 week)</td>
<td>Sun 14th to Sat 21st December 2025</td>
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<td>5 (1 week)</td>
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Themes and Modules

The Masters in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy has three ‘Core Modules’, a ‘Methods and Methodologies’ module, and three optional ‘Applied Modules’ (out of which students select only one as their specialisation stream).

The mandatory Core Modules:

• CEUP1- Understanding Sustainability Transformations
• CEUP2- Economics and Public Policy of Sustainability
• CEUP3- Law and Governance of Sustainability.
• CEUP7- Methods and Methodologies

In addition to the three ‘Core Modules’ and the ‘Methods and Methodologies’, students will select one optional module – out of three offered – as their specialisation stream:

• CEUP4- Climate Change and the Energy Transformation
• CEUP5- Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Food Systems
• CEUP6- Cities and the Future of Urbanisation

Assessment

Students will be required to complete the following assessments throughout the course:

• 3 x Case Studies
• 3 x Critical Essay
• 1 x Methodological Outline
• 1 x Dissertation
COURSE FEES

The fees for the full two-year MSt in CEUP course are composed of: the University tuition fees, College membership fees and residential accommodation costs. Details are shown in the table below:

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<td>Combined Graduate Fee (University membership and College membership fees)</td>
<td>£28,500 (£14,250 pa)</td>
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<td>Accommodation* Based on an estimate of £398 per residential week (A total of 8 weeks over the 2 years)</td>
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<td>£31,686</td>
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*Accommodation rates are set independently by the College. Costs vary depending on the type and standard of accommodation available and does not include meals.

Further details can be found in the “Application Fees and Funding” section:

Students are responsible for payment of their tuition fees, and for this course many are likely to obtain full or part funding from their employer.

COLLEGE MEMBERSHIP

Students of the Masters in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy will be affiliated with Churchill College, Cambridge, where the residential sessions will be held.

Churchill College is the national and Commonwealth memorial to Sir Winston Churchill. It is the embodiment of his vision of how higher education can benefit society in the modern age. Open, friendly, progressive and outward-looking, Churchill strives to build bridges from academe to business and the professions. It pioneered the entry of women to all-male colleges. It engages with politicians, political commentators, historians and the media through the work of the Churchill Archives Centre; and it collaborates with the business world through executive education programmes focused on leadership, strategy and innovation.

Students will be able to book rooms at Churchill College, subject to availability, for the duration of the residential session. Students may also organise their accommodation in other ways, according to their own

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants should normally have a relevant UK first or very good upper second class honours degree or overseas equivalent. In addition, students joining the MSt course will typically have significant experience in a relevant industry or in public service and, in some cases, a professional qualification, although such additional element would not be a pre-requisite.

Those with alternative qualifications or experience will be evaluated on an individual basis. As applicants will be expected to have experience and successful track records in industry or public service, consideration may be given to candidates on the strength of their vocational experience in lieu of the normal standard entry requirements.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

If English is not your first language, you will need to submit evidence to meet the University’s English language requirement, please see the Competence in English tool for further information:

- IELTS Academic: Overall score of 7.5 (a minimum of 7.0 in each individual component)
- TOEFL Internet: Overall score of 110 (a minimum of 25 in each individual component)
- CAE: Grade A or B (with at least 193 in each individual element) plus a language centre assessment.
- CPE: Grade A, B, or C (with at least 200 in each individual element).

Those applicants who are subject to a language requirement are strongly encouraged to submit their language results with their initial application as failure to do so may delay the processing of applications.
How to apply

Go to the Department of Land Economy website:

https://www.landecon.cam.ac.uk/course-page/mst-climate-environment-and-urban-policy

Click the “Apply NOW” button.

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