

BA (Hons) Politics with Public Administration – SH 357

1. Context and Objectives (including relevant competencies)

This course has been designed to provide students with a profound knowledge and understanding about politics and public administration including political systems, laws and governance. Public administrators are involved at different levels of government whether locally or internationally and they administer all kinds of organisations including non-governmental organisations, associations or interest groups. Public managers also are concerned with the diverse interests of government including defense, national security, social welfare, infrastructure, environment, finance and human resource. This programme therefore aims at providing graduates the skills and competencies to work in the private and public sector including teaching, civil service, media, public relations, research, and international and regional organisations.

2. Learning Outcomes

Graduates in Politics with Public Administration will:

- gain an understanding about the work of public administrators in the different types of institutions, and the political and historical context within which the institutions operate.
- discuss the conceptual and theoretical foundations of politics and public administration.
- assess the link between politics and administration.
- examine the responsibilities of the public service, and the prospects and challenges they put on public action.
- acquire the professional skills in different fields such as planning, finance and budgeting, personnel, and evaluation.
- understand the importance of ethics and values in public service.
- acquire the knowledge, skills and values to be both effective and responsible public administrators.
- Develop the basic academic skills to conduct research in the fields of politics and public administration.

3. Teaching and Learning Methods

Main teaching methods are lectures, tutorials, seminars and working groups.

Learning methods will include: - case studies, the use of community resource persons, debates, group discussions, hypotheticals, mock trials, visual aid, participant presentations and exhibitions.

4. Entry Requirements

General

In accordance with the University General Entry Requirements for admission to undergraduate degree programmes.

Programme (Specific)

- A credit in English Language at Cambridge School Certificate / 'O' Level or equivalent.
- 2 GCE 'A' Level passes in 2 subjects.

5. Programme Duration

	Normal	Maximum
Degree	3 years	5 years

6. Minimum LCCS Credits Required

For Degree Award - 204

Degree	Core Modules	Electives	Dissertation or (Research Project + 1 Elective)	Total LCCS Credits
	168	18	18 or (12 + 6)	204

7. Assessment and Deadlines

Each module will be assessed over 100 marks with details as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Assessment will be based on:

Continuous Assessment: 40%

Continuous Assessment will be based on a compulsory written class test and assignments/or oral presentations. The continuous assessment will count for 40% of the overall percentage mark of the module(s), except for a Programme where the structure makes for other specific provision(s).

An overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination. The same criterion will apply for modules being assessed jointly. Note that all overall mark for the two modules will be considered and not the individual marks for each of the two modules.

Examinations: 60%

A written examination of 2 to 3-hour duration counting for 60% of the overall percentage mark for the module.

Written examinations for all modules will be carried out at the end of the academic year except for semester modules (unless otherwise stated).

Submission Deadline for Dissertation / Research Project

Three copies of the dissertation (two spiral-bound copies and one soft copy in a single PDF text file on electronic storage media) should be submitted to the Faculty/Centre Registry and in addition, a soft copy of the dissertation in a single PDF text file should be uploaded on the "Turnitin' Platform", in the final assignment submission link indicated by the Programme/Project Coordinator.

All of the above should be submitted not later than the last week day of March of the academic year by 4.00 p.m. at latest, unless specified otherwise in the Programme of Studies.

8. List of Modules

Core Modules

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	LCCS Credits
PADM 1101(1)	Foundations of Public Administration1	3+0	6
IREL 1104(1)	Issues in World Politics 1	3+0	6
POLI 1003Y(1)	Political History of Mauritius: From Early Origins to Modern Times	3+0	12
ECON 1012Y(1)	Introduction to Economic Theory	3+0	12
ENG 1011Y(1)	Communication Skills in English	3+0	12
LAWS 1199Y(1)	Mauritian Legal System and Laws Related to the Public Sector	3+0	12
IREL 2001Y(3)	Public International Law	3+0	12
MGT 1115(1)	Principles and Practice of Management1	3+0	6
POLI 2005Y(3)	Public Policy Making	3+0	12
POLI 2007Y(3)	Comparative Government and Politics	3+0	12
POLI 2009(3)	Mauritian Government and Politics1	3+0	6
POLI 2107(3)	Research Methods and Data Analysis1	3+0	6
MGT 3058Y(5)	Strategic Management	3+0	12
IREL 3002Y(5)	International Institutions	3+0	12

POLI 3001Y(5)	Political Sociology	3+0	12
POLI 3002Y(5)	African Politics	3+0	12
PADM 3102(5)	Public Administration in Mauritius1	3+0	6
POLI 3000(5)	Dissertation	-	18
POLI 3016Y(5)RP	Research Project	-	12

Electives

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	LCCS Credits
IREL 1205(1)	Debates in Globalization2	3+0	6
	Foreign Languages I	1½+0	6
MGT 1071(1)	Marketing Principles1	3+0	6
PADM 2103(3)	The Ethics of Public Service1	3+0	6
IREL 2113(3)	Non – Discrimination and Human Rights1	3+0	6
POLI 2204(3)	Democracy and Democratisation2	3+0	6
PADM 2201(3)	Public Budgeting and Financial Administration1	3+0	6
HIST 2214(3)	Contemporary India - History, Politics and Society2	3+0	6
HIST 2119(3)	Contemporary China - History, Politics and Society1	3+0	6
POLI 2106(3)	Introduction to Kinship and Political Anthropology2	3+0	
	Foreign Languages II	1½+0	6
MGT 2268(3)	Business Communications & Effective Negotiation2	3+0	6
POLI 3105(5)	Electoral Systems and Voting2	3+0	6
HIST 3113(5)	Contemporary Mauritius – Cultural Diversity, Institutions and Society1	3+0	6
PADM 3103(5)	Policy Advocacy1	3+0	6
	Foreign Languages III	1½+0	6

9. Programme Plan

Year 1 (60 LCCS Credits for Core Modules + 6 LCCS Credit Elective = 66 LCCS Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	LCCS Credits
Core Modules			
PADM 1101(1)	Foundations of Public Administration ¹	3+0	6
IREL 1104(1)	Issues in World Politics ²	3+0	6
POLI 1003Y(1)	Political History of Mauritius: From Early Origins to Modern Times	3+0	12
ECON 1012Y(1)	Introduction to Economic Theory	3+0	12
ENG 1011Y(1)	Communication Skills in English	3+0	12
LAWS 1199Y(1)	Mauritian Legal System and Laws Related to the Public Sector	3+0	12
Electives: Choose any one module amounting to 6 LCCS credits from the list below			
IREL 1205(1)	Debates in Globalization ²	3+0	6
	Foreign Languages I	1½+0	6
MGT 1071(1)	Marketing Principles ¹	3+0	6
Any other electives offered by the Department			
	Sub-Total		66

YEAR 2 (54 LCCS Credits for Core Modules + 12 LCCS Credits Electives = 66 LCCS Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	LCCS Credits
Core Modules			
IREL 2001Y(3)	Public International Law	3+0	12
MGT 1115(1)	Principles and Practice of Management ¹	3+0	6
POLI 2005Y(3)	Public Policy Making	3+0	12
POLI 2007Y(3)	Comparative Government and Politics	3+0	12
POLI 2009(3)	Mauritian Government and Politics ¹	3+0	6
POLI 2107(3)	Research Methods and Data Analysis ¹	3+0	6
Electives: Choose any two modules amounting to 12 LCCS credits from the list below			
PADM 2103(3)	The Ethics of Public Service ¹	3+0	6
IREL 2113(3)	Non – Discrimination and Human Rights ¹	3+0	6
POLI 2204(3)	Democracy and Democratisation ²	3+0	6
PADM 2201(3)	Public Budgeting and Financial Administration ¹	3+0	6
HIST 2214(3)	Contemporary India - History, Politics and Society ²	3+0	6
HIST 2119(3)	Contemporary China - History, Politics and Society ¹	3+0	6
POLI 2106(3)	Introduction to Kinship and Political Anthropology ²	3+0	6
	Foreign Languages II	1½+0	6
MGT 2268(3)	Business Communications & Effective Negotiation ²	3+0	6
Any other electives offered by the Department			
Sub-Total			66

YEAR 3 (54 LCCS Credits for Core Modules + 18 Credit Dissertation OR 54 LCCS Credits for Core Modules + 12 Credit Research Project + One 6 LCCS Credit Elective = 72 LCCS Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	LCCS Credits
Core Modules			
MGT 3058Y(5)	Strategic Management	3+0	12
IREL 3002Y(5)	International Institutions	3+0	12
POLI 3001Y(5)	Political Sociology	3+0	12
POLI 3002Y(5)	African Politics	3+0	12
PADM 3102(5)	Public Administration in Mauritius ¹	3+0	6
TO CHOOSE EITHER DISSERTATION OR RESEARCH PROJECT + ONE ELECTIVE OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT			
POLI 3000(5)	Dissertation	-	18
POLI 3016Y(5)RP	Research Project	-	12
List of Electives Offered			
POLI 3105(5)	Electoral Systems and Voting ²	3+0	6
HIST 3113(5)	Contemporary Mauritius – Cultural Diversity, Institutions and Society ¹	3+0	6
PADM 3103(5)	Policy Advocacy ¹	3+0	6
	Foreign Languages III	1½+0	6
Any other electives offered by the Department			
	Sub-Total		72
	GRAND TOTAL		204

Notes

- a) ¹ Module taught and examined in Semester 1
- b) ² Module taught and examined in Semester 2
- c) Offering of electives would be subject to the availability of resources and critical mass